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Salem-Keizer Public Schools adjusts bell times ahead of the 2021-22 school year

Changes to the bell schedule will take effect in all SKPS schools in the fall of 2021

SALEM, Ore. – Starting in the fall for the 2021-22 school year, Salem-Keizer Public Schools will have new bell schedules for all schools across the district and the EDGE online program.

“For many years, I have heard the need to shift bell schedules – elementary starting earlier than high school and middle schools. In addition, we heard this from our community in our Student Investment Account listening forums,” said SKPS Superintendent Christy Perry. “We believe that the new bell schedule will better serve the needs of students across the district and lead to improved outcomes at all levels. We are doing some targeted outreach to community groups throughout the district to collect unintended barriers and potential solutions.”

In addition to the change in daily bell schedules, all schools will start one hour late on Wednesdays to give school staff a regular time for collaborating and planning support for students.

Families with questions about the new schedule ahead of the 2021-22 school year are encouraged to contact their child’s school.

A full list of updated bell schedules to take effect in the fall for the 2021-22 school year is [available on the district website](#).

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Led by Superintendent Christy Perry, Salem-Keizer School District 24J is the second-largest school district in the state of Oregon. Nearly 5,000 employees serve more than 41,000 students in 65 schools in the cities of Salem and Keizer.