



# Introducing Golden Hour

Our Clovis West educational team is excited to introduce to students and families “Golden Hour” a new academic support model we will be piloting in the second semester. After seeing many of our students struggling in critical academic areas and recognizing that for many students before or afterschool tutoring or study hall is not an option, our teachers have requested more time to work directly with students at risk of falling behind academically.

## What is Golden Hour?



A one-hour a week intervention period added to students' existing class schedule directly after fourth period on Tuesday.



A way for students struggling in core subject areas like math or English to receive targeted intervention embedded directly into the school day.



An enrichment opportunity for those students not in need of extra support in core subjects, allowing the chance to explore a broad range of subjects from computer coding to yoga, or to find extra time for studying in a special Study Hall hour.



A rotating, six-week schedule will be used to allow for adjustments based on individual students' progress and/or interest areas.



A way to embed support in our current schedule without impacting our start or end time bell schedule, and still providing students time for afterschool and before school activities.



A mandatory, attendance-based class where students will continue to receive instruction.

## What Will Students Need To Do?

Based on individual need, students will be placed in Golden Hour intervention classes on a six-week, rolling basis. If not placed directly in a class, students will get to sign up for intervention or enrichment course preferences online in Student Connect through January 20, 2023. In English classes on January 11 and 12 students will receive training on how to choose their Golden Hour options.

New schedules will be distributed to students through Student Connect on January 23, 2023, and Golden Hour instruction will begin on Tuesday, January 24.

## Why Now?

Our teachers want to pilot Golden Hour during the second semester of this year in an effort to meet the immediate needs of our students.

After evaluating their existing teaching calendars, our teachers felt the addition of one Golden Hour a week would allow them to cover their traditional curriculum, while also emphasizing intervention for those students struggling academically.