# Flex Time Basics 2023-24





# **Flex Time Schedule**

<b>Monday</b>	Wednesday	<b>Thursday</b>
75 Minutes Class Time	75 Minutes of Class Time	75 Minutes of Class Time
-Weekly Academic Check in (20 min) -Grade checks -ACT Preparation -Target Plan for Flex <u>Rotating Topics:</u> -1 to 2/month: Community Circle → (50 minutes) -SEL/ College & Career Exploration Curriculum	<ul> <li>-45 Minutes of Academic Collaboration Time (ACT I)</li> <li>-25 minutes of Academic Collaboration Time (Teacher Discretion) Flex 1 (25 Min)**</li> <li>*During Wednesday Flex, students may be assigned to targeted interventions.</li> <li>**On mentor meeting weeks, Wednesday Flex is a student decided flex period.</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Attendance/Announce (5 min) + Passing (5 min)</li> <li>Flex 1 (30 min)</li> <li>Passing (5 min)</li> <li>Flex 2 (30 min)</li> </ol>



## What is Flex Time?

- Flex Time is a tool students use to **support** and **enrich** their learning.
- Flex Time is dedicated time during Nucleus when students visit a chosen class to seek help with struggles
   *or* expand on interests, study, or further your learning.
- Flex Time is a 25-30 minute period on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Students are expected to make appointments for flex time to manage learning
- Teachers can make appointments with students

#### **TIDE** Academy Why Are We Doing This?

- Busy schedules (sports, clubs, jobs, and other responsibilities, short lunch time) make it difficult for many students to find time to meet with teachers.
- Students take ownership of their learning
- Prepares students for post high school life (like seeing professors during office hours, completing tasks for
  - jobs) TO PO LIST: STUFF I Need TO DO STUFF I WANT TO DO STUFF I WANT TO DO STUFF I SHOULD DO WORE STUFF ENVIS STUFF TO DO LIST





- Flex Time provides a chance for <u>all</u> students to:
  - Get extra help from teachers
  - Further their learning on topics of interest
  - Work with peers on class projects
  - Seek help with life skills (e.g., job and college applications, community service)
  - And so much more!
- Through Flex Time, students will learn how to manage their time, advocate for their learning and interests, and become more independent.
- The expectation at TIDE is that our students will use flex time to manage their learning and make weekly appointments.



- Using the Teach More App, you will schedule an appointment with teachers up to 14 days / 2 weeks ahead of time
- During flex time, you will leave your Nucleus class and go to the teacher you made an appointment with
- You will scan in using your student id or id number for flex attendance. *Yes, attendance is required for appointments!*
- If you stay in Nucleus, you are opting to study, complete assignments, and be focused on completing work for your classes.

# What is FLEX TIME?



### **Expectations During Flex Time**

 Students are present in a classroom, Nucleus, or a special event (i.e. mentor program) and arrive within the passing time allotted



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#### ✓ <u>Ready to work</u>

- Come prepared with questions, materials, and flex focus!
- Engaged in academic work use the time well to get support from your teachers



#### **Expectations During Flex Time**

#### It is mandatory that all students:

- Present for appointments you schedule, or your teachers, counselors, or other TIDE staff schedule with you.
- ✓ Scan in to every flex period, even when staying in Nucleus for flex.



#### **Flex Time Norms**

**Norm #1:** You are visiting a teacher's or counselor's room for academic reasons:

- 1. To make up a test, quiz, lab, or assignment.
- 2. To get a mini lecture for a class you missed.
- 3. To get tutoring help.
- 4. To meet with your counselor.

Norm #2: You are expected to plan ahead and make and appointment minimally THE DAY BEFORE the flex time takes place. In general, you will be turned down if you approach a teacher to request attending Flex at lunch just before Nucleus starts. As a part of Nucleus on Mondays, make an appointment for where you want to spend Flex that week. Teacher discretion can override this rule as things happen last minute.

**Norm #3:** When you visit a teacher's class, you will go immediately there from Nucleus and remain there until the end of the flex period.

Norm #4: Students must scan in for each Flex period, even if they stay in Nucleus class.

Norm #5: Students must scan in for both Flex 1 and Flex 2 on Thursdays or double flex days.



#### Where to Find the Flextime App?

Options to find the app for Flextime:

- 1. Go to <u>https://teachmore.org/tideacademy/students/</u>
- 2. Go to <a href="https://www.tideacademy.org/">https://www.tideacademy.org/</a> and click on the Flextime App icon on the right





GOOGLE LOGIN

# **Flex Time Practice**



Helping Teachers To Teach Smarter, Not Harder

Student FlexTime App

**Tide Academy** 

G Login with Google





## **TIDE** Practice Making an Appointment Academy For Flex

**Students:** Go to <u>https://teachmore.org/tideacademy/students/</u> or go to <u>https://www.tideacademy.org/</u> and click the Flextime icon.

Login in with your seq google account

- Make appointment with your Nucleus teacher
  - Select the name of your Nucleus teacher in the list on the left
  - Click on today's date and make an appointment

Teachers: Make sure your scanner is connected to your computer and you are logged in to Teach More

# **Solution** Now you are ready to practice scanning in!

#### **Students**

- Have your ID card out or you can type in your id number to scan in
- Per your teacher's directions, form a line to scan in for "practice" flex

Remember: For flex, having your student id card is important. If you have to type in your ID, it will slow the process down.

#### **Teachers**

Give each student an opportunity to practice scanning in with their ID card or key in their student ID

#### We are now ready for flex time!