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Parents/Guardians of TMS Savages,

We are in the process of making some big changes to our master schedule. Hopefully you received the announcement that I pushed out to all TMS Canvas account holders on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Teachers have been having discussions with students this week as well to help prepare our students for these changes. These changes to our master schedule will officially begin on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, which is the first day of the second quarter.

Change can sometimes be difficult - even if it is necessary. As we draw close to the end of the first quarter, it is very obvious that some things must change in regards to how we are helping our virtual students. I want to ask that you please be patient with all the TMS staff as we prepare for these changes that will begin on the first day of the second quarter.

We are moving to a virtual teacher dedicated specifically to our virtual students. We will have one teacher for each core subject for each grade level. This will require some movement within the master schedule for both in-person and virtual students' schedules. As those changes take place within a student's individual schedule on Wen-Gage, even though they will not begin until Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, they will appear in each student's Dashboard. Remember, the new courses do not begin until Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Each student will have the same courses - Science, ELA, Math, and Geography/American History - however, those courses may be with a different teacher for the second quarter and/or a different hour. In-Person students will be provided a new copy of their class schedule during Advisory this week.

Please do not venture in to those new courses on Canvas that will begin on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> until then. The first quarter ends on Friday, October 9<sup>th</sup> and you need to focus on the assignments in each of your courses you have been working in for the first quarter until then.

Tough times do not last, tough people do! The reason times can be tough is because we do not generally like to navigate change. Change can be inconvenient, difficult, awkward, confusing - but it can also help make circumstances better. We believe these changes are going to be very helpful for all students and teachers. I have faith that all TMS Savages can handle these changes because we are tough people - Savage tough!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr. Storm.

Respectfully,  
Sarah Flowers