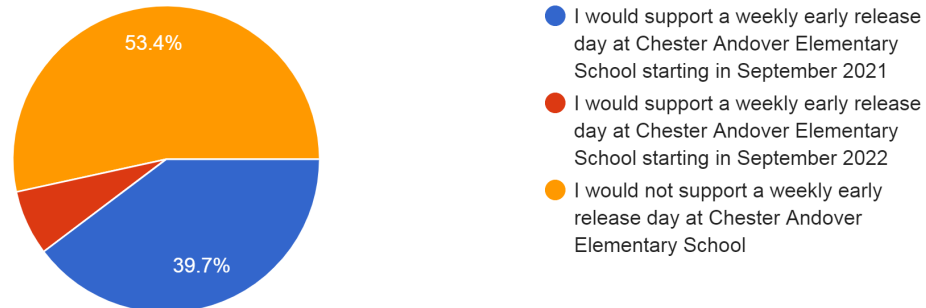


CAES Parents - Weekly Early Release Survey - June 2021

73 Responses

For many years, the schedule at CTES has included an early release day each Tuesday. Teachers use this time for valuable collaboration, professional development or adding the early release to CAES and GMUHS.

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The reason I support / do not support the weekly early release day is

- I support extra support for our CAES teachers... Kids love early release days and it sounds like it will be very valuable to our teachers and staff.
- I have to work
- I would support this planning option for teachers IF there was a childcare option for my child supplied by the school.
- I support this as I feel it is important for teachers to be able to connect and collaborate with other colleagues in order to give our students the highest quality education. It would also be nice to see if some of those Tuesday's could include resource time for students to be able to connect with their classroom teachers or special educators via in person or virtual if students need additional help. If students don't need additional help, options for outdoor/hands on learning be available to parents as well in case of child care issues.
- Teachers need/deserve more planning time. This will benefit our student tremendously. CTES has done it for years and found great success.
- I work at a very busy dental office therefore I am not able to take half days off. I wouldn't have anywhere or anyone to watch my daughter.
- Parent work schedule should be taken into consideration. Most parents work full time and cannot pick children up early each Tuesday or they will have to spend money on childcare or even find childcare at these times. I do not think that early release is a good idea.

- It will be too difficult to find childcare every week on those early release days.
- I would have to take the afternoon off from work this would be very inconvenient!!
- This does not work with my work schedule
- In school time and consistency in the scheduling is important to the children. While I support professional development, I don't think it should conflict with weekly classroom time. I feel strongly that we should not add another early release day at CAES or GMUHS.
- It seems like there could be other times spent for this (like in-service and generally afterschool). It wouldn't be the end of the world, but feels like it is more strain on trying to find daycare for normal hour working people.
- It's easier to plan for a whole day off rather than a half day. The only way I would support it is if the school year ended earlier because of it.
- This poses childcare issues for working parents. Our kiddos are already out of school once a month for inservice and more time out of school is not necessary
- Teachers should have that time to prep and also for professional development.
- I support as it is valuable time for teachers and staff to have to collaborate and we have a wonderful After School Program where I would feel confident and comfortable sending my children.
- I like the consistency each day for my child's schedule.
- Give kids a chance to get caught up on extra work needed.
- The children need to be in school. Parents have jobs- you as a school district need to support working class as much as possible with the childcare crisis we have. More importantly the children's education should not be cut short for a half a day each week due to the teachers inability to properly organize/ perform their job responsibilities. Teachers have many days off - more than any other occupation - proper time management is essential. We owe it to our children to provide normalcy as much as possible next year - this is absurd to even ask.
- Childcare would be an issue
- It would be difficult for working parents.
- Child care is the main issue. Inconsistency in the school week is another. I find zero point in half days as far as actual learning and absorbing information goes. The kids will basically go to school - eat breakfast - home room - eat snack - have maybe one class - lunch - recess. If all they are mostly accomplishing is eating food and playing kick ball they might as well stay home... OR, even better, stay in school all day.
- Primarily, affordable childcare for the rest of the normally scheduled school day. If that was provided, I would be more than willing to support the school in their efforts to provide consistent development opportunities for staff!

- Early release = less educational hours for students. Add an additional 2 in-service days or incorporate pay to support “after school” teacher enrichment on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- The kids have missed enough school, they don't need to miss more, and both of us parents have to work so no one would be able to be home with them after school for half days.
- I believe that this time is better utilized for direct instruction, across the board. Just a note that I think this is even more crucial coming out of COVID, because the students have dealt with regular time out of school and also eliminating gaps in learning.
- I work and unless after school program is offered, it would create a hardship for our family.
- Gives teachers time to plan and do things they can't when they have class
- I believe students should be in school all day, 5 days a week. Professional development should happen on their own time. It also affects working, single parents who would need daycare. Coming off a pandemic with a lot of remote days, our children need to be back in school full time.
- This is not fair to parents who work full time and don't have alternatives.
- There are already too many early release and in-service days on the school calendar. This is an inconvenience to any family trying to find care while at work. I have been a teacher for many years and have never seen so many PD days.
- I think it would help the teachers out a lot but it would be very hard on working parents
- so many pros and cons to both sides. My children are on an IEP, for them, socialization is vital, and child care is not easy to come by and costly. For ME and MY family I do not support this. In general, it really is a toss up.
- I understand the importance of planning and collaboration time for teachers. I think this would help teaching staff be at their best to help my children.
- Hard to work and the kids deserve to finally have a “normal” year this would throw them off!
Horrible idea!
- Parents that work full-time and no additional child care other than ASP
- No childcare
- My daughter needs all the knowledge we got in school. Home learning is not for young kids my daughter dreamed of school for 2 years and now has no interest in it
- Maybe a monthly early release but as a single parent a weekly would be hard
- It's good for the kids also
- Why not
- I think it makes it too hard on the parents who work to find child care for that one day and we have been doing it for years without it and have been doing great I also know lots of parents who don't like it in Cavendish and have wanted them to get rid of it.
- Makes it challenging for working parents

- **My job**
- **Work**