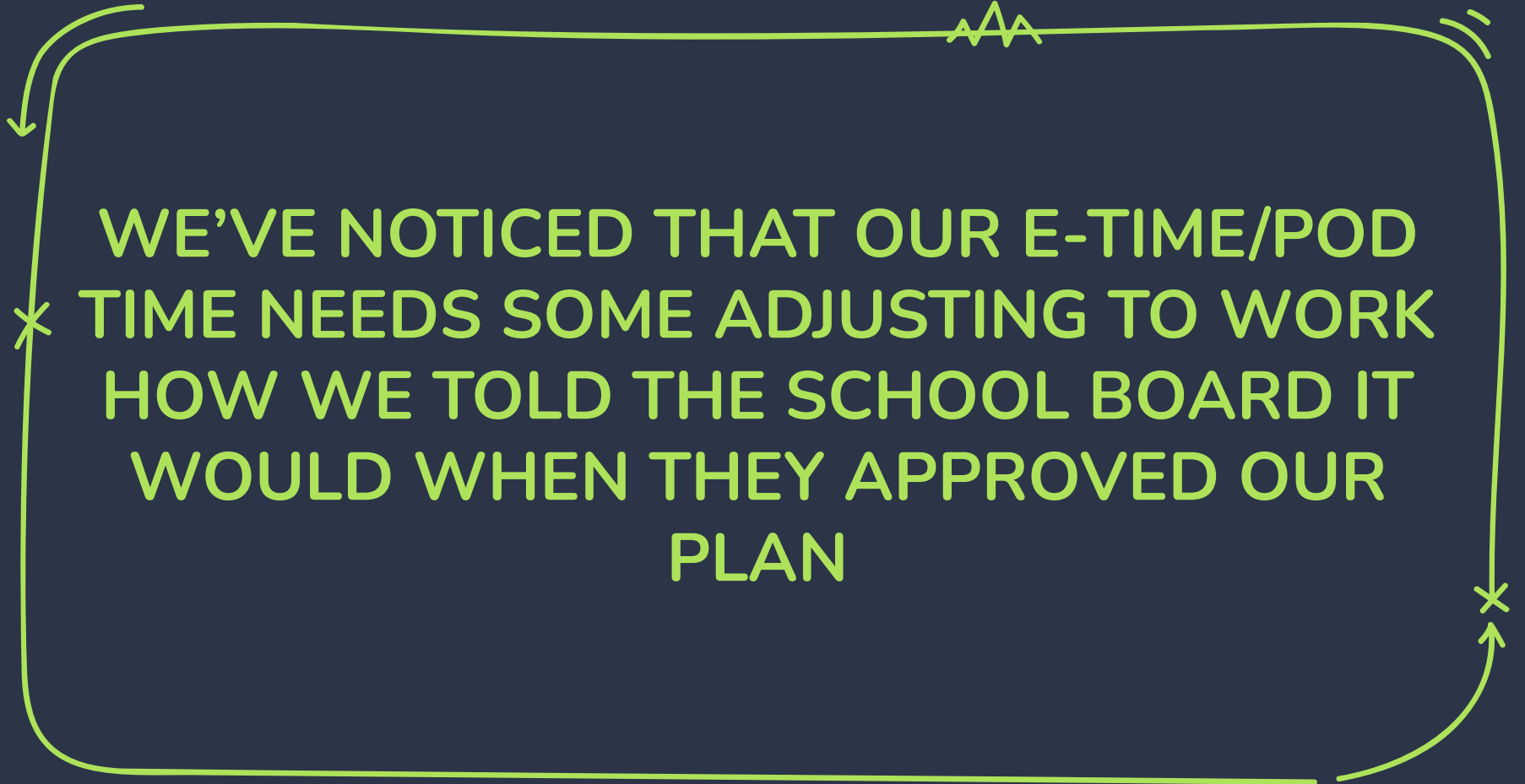
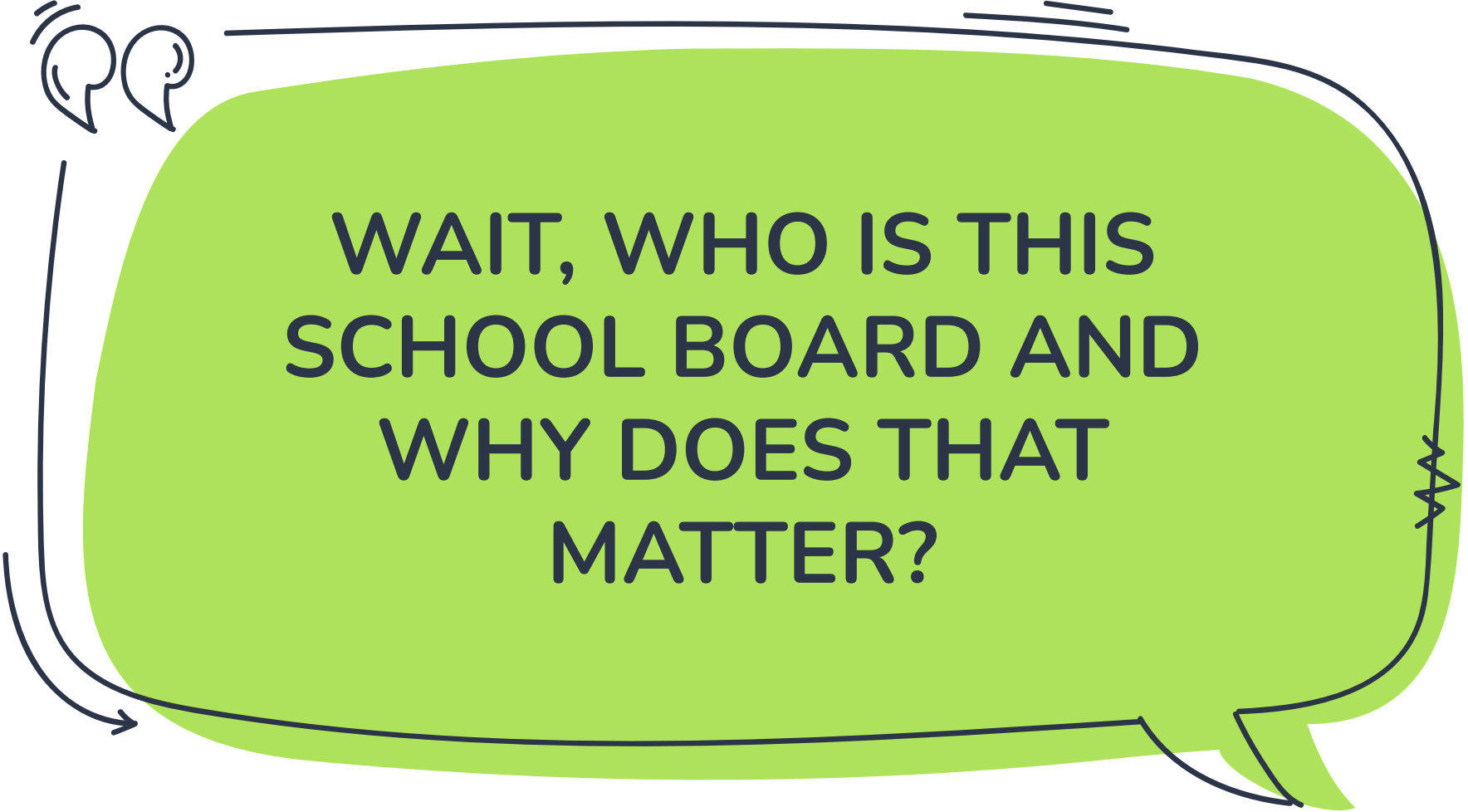


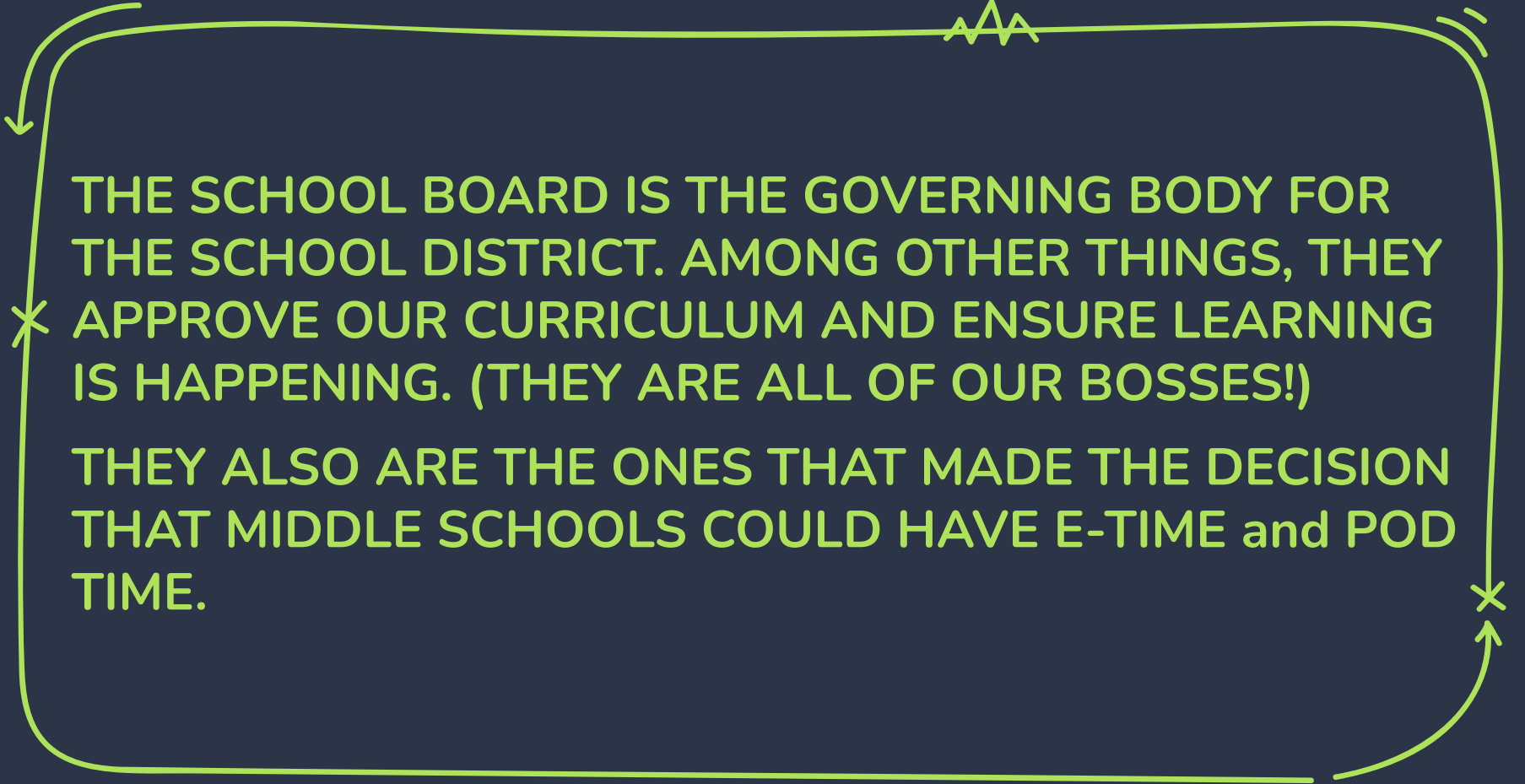
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION  
AND POSITIVE ATTITUDES AS WE'VE  
WORKED TOGETHER TO START UP AS A  
MIDDLE SCHOOL AND NEEDED TO MAKE  
TWEAKS! YOU HAVE BEEN ALL IN,  
DIAMONDBACKS!**



WE'VE NOTICED THAT OUR E-TIME/POD  
\* TIME NEEDS SOME ADJUSTING TO WORK  
HOW WE TOLD THE SCHOOL BOARD IT  
WOULD WHEN THEY APPROVED OUR  
PLAN

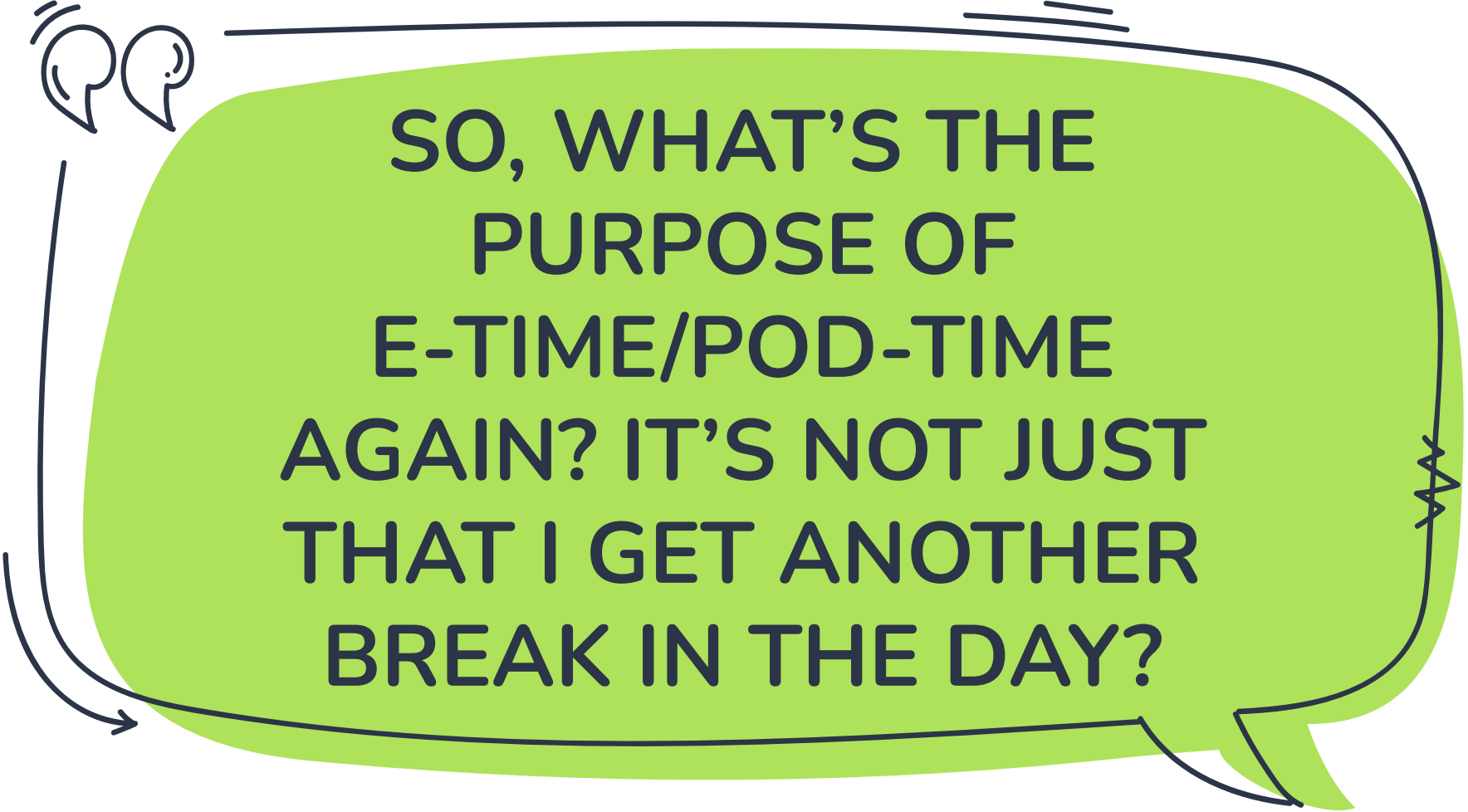


**WAIT, WHO IS THIS  
SCHOOL BOARD AND  
WHY DOES THAT  
MATTER?**



THE SCHOOL BOARD IS THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. AMONG OTHER THINGS, THEY APPROVE OUR CURRICULUM AND ENSURE LEARNING IS HAPPENING. (THEY ARE ALL OF OUR BOSSES!)

THEY ALSO ARE THE ONES THAT MADE THE DECISION THAT MIDDLE SCHOOLS COULD HAVE E-TIME and POD TIME.



**SO, WHAT'S THE  
PURPOSE OF  
E-TIME/POD-TIME  
AGAIN? IT'S NOT JUST  
THAT I GET ANOTHER  
BREAK IN THE DAY?**

THE PURPOSE OF E-TIME/POD TIME IS THAT IT LEADS TO GREATER LEARNING AND EDUCATIONAL GAINS! YOU HAVE AT LEAST ONE TIME EACH DAY THAT YOUR POD TEACHERS CAN WORK WITH YOU TO:

- X RETEACH MATERIAL
- X REDO ASSIGNMENTS
- X RETEST TO WORK TOWARDS MASTERY
- X ASSIST YOU WITH MISSING WORK
- X ENRICH THE CLASSROOM LEARNING



SO... IT'S TIME TO MAKE A  
FEW CLARIFICATIONS!



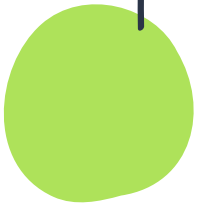
YOU HAVE AN ETIME AND A  
POD TIME.

THEY ARE DIFFERENT.



## WHAT IS A POD CLASS?

**Pod classes are your  
Science, Math, and English  
class.**



## ARE YOU A MORNING OR AFTERNOON POD TIME?

Your Math, English, and Science classes are during **1st-4th** periods.

**MORNING POD**

Your Math, English, and Science classes are during **4th-7th** periods.

**AFTERNOON POD**

**A few of you don't fit that mold. It's okay, keep listening!**



## YES, YOU STILL GET E-TIME!

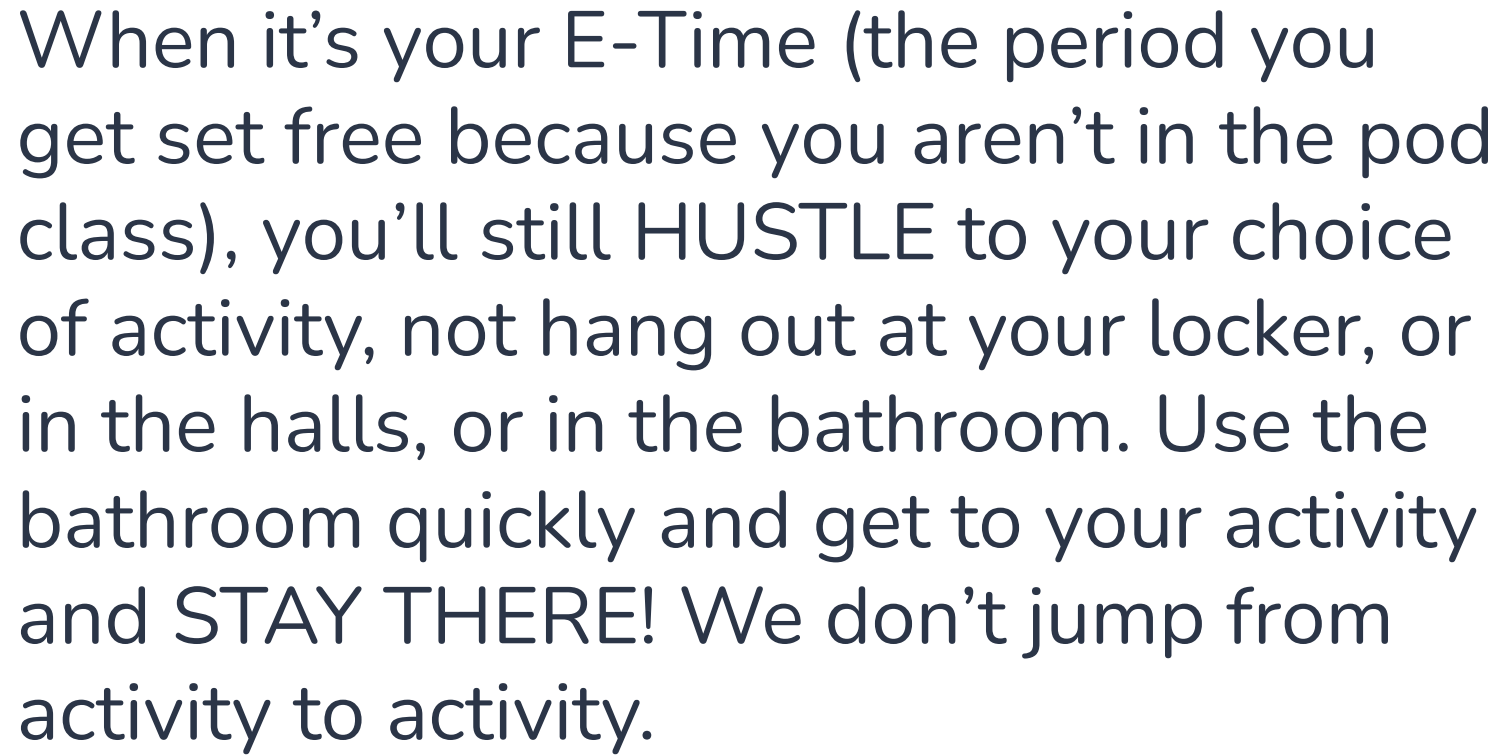
Everyone still has one E-Time each day with their free choice of activity to attend! In fact, one day each week, you'll even get TWO free E-Times! Stay tuned to see which day is YOUR SUPER SPECIAL day...

# HOWEVER, E-TIME IS EARNED

If you have been absent for a while, or have excessive work to make up, Skillbuilding or a teacher may come to get you and work with you during your E-Time!

If you are forgetting to demonstrate appropriate behaviors during E-Time, it is probably because you are having too many breaks in a day, so administration will help you find another place that you can go and focus on your studies so that you can be more productive! You are so very welcome!





When it's your E-Time (the period you get set free because you aren't in the pod class), you'll still HUSTLE to your choice of activity, not hang out at your locker, or in the halls, or in the bathroom. Use the bathroom quickly and get to your activity and STAY THERE! We don't jump from activity to activity.

# POD TIME

Starting today, during your pod time, you will always stay in with a pod teacher. For most of you, your pod time is during the morning or afternoon. But some of you had a super tailored, handbuilt schedule, so yours doesn't fit the mold (we'll get to you in a minute!), so you'll need some help figuring it out.



## During pod time you will:

- ✗ Redo/retest to work toward mastery
- ✗ Work on missing work
- ✗ Work on your own doing your iReady reading/math individual path
- ✗ Explore enrichment activities on Canvas
- ✗ Read your book for English/reading or your own choice book



# LET'S FIGURE OUT YOUR POD TIME/E-TIME SCHEDULE!

**YOUR SCHEDULES ARE BEING PASSED OUT. PUT DOWN YOUR WRITING UTENSIL AND DON'T FILL OUT ANYTHING YET!**

1. You will only fill out one schedule: morning **OR** afternoon.
2. Looking at the example on the next screen, in the blank spaces on your copy, write in the name of the teacher/subject that you will return to. If you aren't writing down your math, English, or science teacher, that is your **EXTRA E-TIME!**
3. If you aren't a morning **OR** afternoon pod, fill in your pod times by the periods you have math, science, and English. You will sometimes have pod time in the morning and sometimes in the afternoon.
4. You should have 3 Pod Times and 4 E-Times.



Name:

My Pod Time is in the **MORNING****LET'S FILL IN YOUR SCHEDULE!**

	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>POD TIME</b>	Go back to 1st period pod class	Stay in 2nd period pod class	<b>TEAM TIME</b>	Go over to 3rd period pod class	Go over to 4th period pod class
<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>NO E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>

Write in the name of the teacher & class you will go to during this period. If it is not your math, English, or science teacher, it is your extra E-Time. Write it in!

Name:

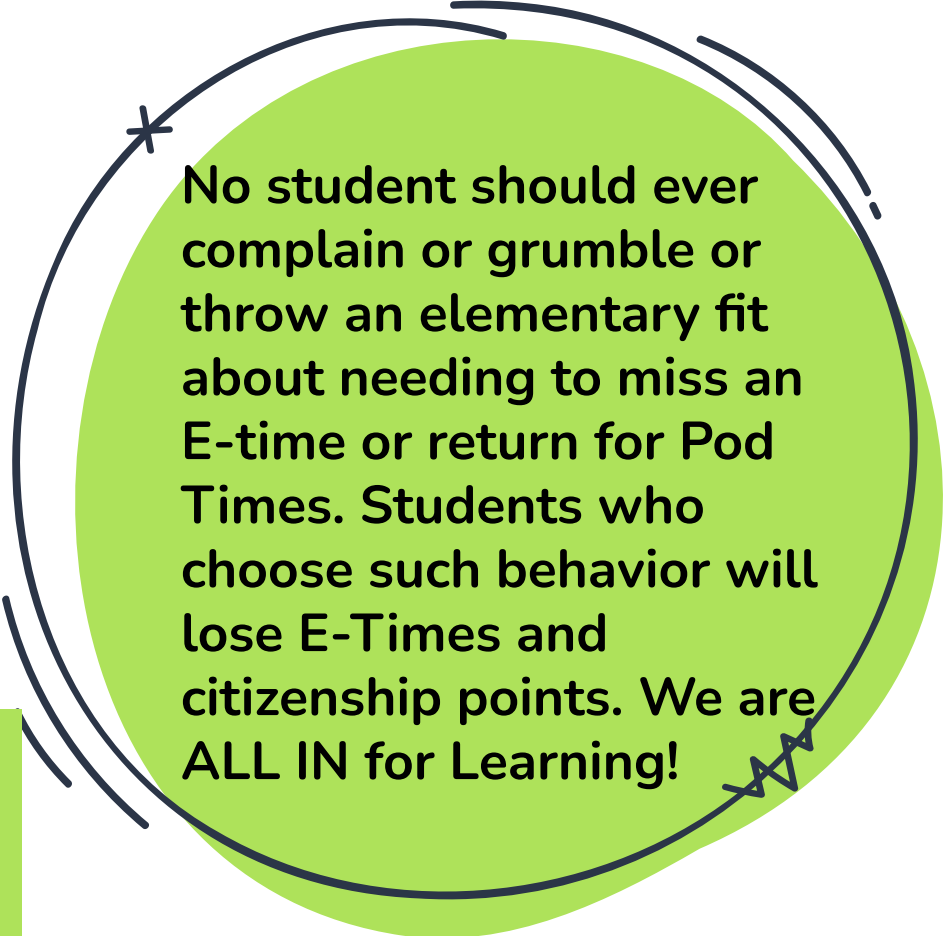
My Pod Time is in the **AFTERNOON**

	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>TEAM TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>	<b>E-TIME</b>
<b>POD TIME</b>	<b>NO POD TIME (EARLY OUT)</b>	Go over to 5th period pod class	Stay in 6th period pod class	Go over to 7th period pod classes	Go back to 4th period pod class

You do **not** have two E-Times every day.

You were never meant to. You have some Pod Times and some E-Times. You are lucky to have both to help you learn!

DF has no Opt Out. All students do their classwork!  
We do the work!



No student should ever complain or grumble or throw an elementary fit about needing to miss an E-time or return for Pod Times. Students who choose such behavior will lose E-Times and citizenship points. We are ALL IN for Learning!