

Proposal for the 2023-2024 school year:

Continuing to improve our students' reading comprehension scores is one of the goals of Cedar Catholic Jr/Sr High School. At the Junior High level, we have incorporated "Directed Reading Time" for the students once a day for the last 11 minutes of their Chorus or Business Classes. During the current school year this occurs during 6<sup>th</sup> period for all of the Junior High. This DRT is a time for the students to focus on the skill of reading/reading comprehension with the fewest outside distractions possible. While this DRT has been effective, we feel that we can make it better.

For the current school year we would like to incorporate the Junior High Directed Reading Time into their "Study Hall" and/or "Band" class periods of the school day. This move will allow them continuous, quality time to enhance their reading comprehension skills, and it will not take time away from other classes on their schedule.

The proposed reading time will be for 50 minutes on Wednesdays during 2<sup>nd</sup> period for JH students with a Study Hall. The rest of the week will remain a Study Hall period for these students.

For students who are in Band during 2<sup>nd</sup> period, they will have 50 minutes on Wednesday to utilize the class time for Directed Reading or Study Hall (as needed). The rest of the week will continue to be regular Band class.

Junior High students with Mrs. Christensen in the Resource Room during 2<sup>nd</sup> period will utilize this time as needed, or as directed by Mrs. Christensen.