

## Rapid Health Impact Assessment (OK Dept. of Health)

Recommendations for switching to a 4-day week include:

- Identify specific criteria to evaluate policy specific to areas of interest;
- Compile information about four-day school weeks, including other districts' or other districts in contiguous states' experiences with four-day school weeks;
- Conduct research on the actual practice and examine existing models. Collect data for schools that have implemented the four-day school week and similar schools that have not;
- Communicate with parents, community members, teachers and other affected stakeholders (i.e. students) about the potential change. Carefully consider input and feedback before making the switch;
- Give careful consideration to a cost-benefit analysis of how four-day school schedules impact students, including those with special learning needs (e.g., English as Second Language, low-literacy, justice-involved youth, etc.);
- Increase quality Out of School Time (OST) programs through community partnerships, specifically around addressing food insecurity; and
- Collaborate broadly with communities to identify priority programs, policies, and strategies to address child hunger.