

Squalicum's mentor system is not effective

I am responding to the article about the new advisory class at Squalicum High School. As a student, I feel that this "class" is unnecessary, as do many of my friends.

The problem with this class is that we are too diverse. Although our teacher has tried many things to get us to work together, we can't seem to find a common ground. I commend Principal Becky Elmendorf for her effort, but she doesn't know us well enough to pick people we get along with. We have been in this class for a little over a month and nothing really has changed, which means that this issue needs to be addressed.

Although the advisory class is not going very well, the tutorial class is much better. For the first time this year, I went into my math class to get help. But when I got there, I had to wait about 20 minutes to get help. The problem with having tutorial only two days a week is that everyone who needs help has to come in at the same time so we get less help.

I think that the tutorial class should be every day and the advisory class should be taken out of the schedule.

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