

August 10, 2021

RE: Notice of Independent Study Offering

Dear parents/guardians,

We are pleased to announce that Washington Unified School District will be starting the 2021-22 school year as an in-person learning environment for all students. For the 2021-22 school year, Washington Unified School District will offer an Independent Study option to students and families whose health would be put at risk by in-person instruction as determined by the parent or guardian. All parents/guardians selecting Independent Studies will be required to attend an in person student-parent-educator conference meeting before enrollment to discuss the roles and responsibilities of all parties.

Since enrollment in the Independent Study program is voluntary, transportation will not be provided. During the student-parent-educator conference, the Independent Study written agreement will be reviewed/signed by all parties. Failure to meet attendance, academic progress, or behavior criteria outlined in the written agreement may result in the termination of the contract.

Depending on grade level, Independent Studies can consist of daily live interactions, synchronous instruction, and weekly synchronous instruction/contacts. Students enrolled in Independent Studies will not be eligible to participate in co/extracurricular activities (ie., athletics).

If you are interested in your child participating in the optional Independent Study program for the 2021-2022 school year, please contact your child's school principal.

Sincerely,

Sophia Rizzo, Ed.D.

Assistant Superintendent

Randy R. Morris - District Superintendent