## INDEPENDENT STUDY

## **Policy 343.3**

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Independent study is an option for high school juniors and seniors who want to learn more about a subject area than is available in the current curriculum by taking initiative and working independently. This may take the form of a student conducting advanced work in a particular academic area or combining practical experience with research in the area of his/her experience. A student that is working under an Independent Study is expected to complete a written research paper or project.

Students wishing to participate in an independent study must submit an application to the High School office no later than March 15 of the prior school year. Applications are available in the high school office.

The Principal or designee is responsible for screening, approving and evaluating applications for independent study.

Students participating in an independent study must have a faculty sponsor-advisor to report to on a regular basis and must have prior approval from the faculty member before the semester begins.

Students must also have permission from a parent or guardian in order to participate in an independent study.

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