Short Term Independent Study (STIS)
What is STIS?

• A temporary study program for students needing to miss school for a brief amount of time and to help maintain academic progress

• The length of time for STIS is no less than five (5) and no more than fifteen (15) school days - For COVID quarantine, 10 days is the norm.

• Only allowed once a semester (may have COVID exception)
Who qualifies for STIS?

For students and families facing...

• Extended illness (i.e. Covid)
• Quarantine
• Family emergency

Not meant for

• Distance learning requests
• Vacation
• Missing Finals week
Parent requests or is referred to STIS

Parent fills out STIS Request Form at least five days before the requested date of STIS

School creates STIS agreement and reaches out to teachers

Teachers: Prepare work for students

Generally all materials should be ready before start of STIS.

COVID exception: students will start right away
During

Parent and student review and sign agreement

Requirements:
- Evidence of daily attendance
- Weekly check ins with supervising teacher

Support offered through weekly check ins, emails with teachers, and virtual office hours/tutoring (if available)

Some students out for medical reasons may not be able to handle a full workload. Pacing can be adjusted during STIS as well.

If you offer virtual office hours, please let the student know.
After

Student returns and turns in remaining work to teachers

Teacher grades assignments

If necessary, student attends office hours and works with tutors

Keep student records and update Schoology

For students that need a little extra help, we have had students check in with Kala, our paraeducator, weekly.
Types of Assignments

• Textbook and questions

• Handouts (parents may be able to pick up physical copies, but digital are best)

• A project

• Online videos, projects, labs

• A list of items to complete on Schoology

**STIS assignments do not have to be the same number of assignments or cover the same exact materials as your classroom, especially for electives.**