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

Before

Parent requests or is referred to STIS

Generally all materials should be ready before start of STIS.

COVID exception: students will start right away



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

During

Parent and student review and sign agreement



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

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.





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

After

Student returns and turns in remaining work to teachers

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



Teacher grades assignments



If necessary, student attends office hours and works with tutors



Keep student records and update Schoology

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.