

## **Notification of Covid Independent Study @ Home (CIS@H) Option for the 2021-22 School Year**

This document is to notify parents/guardians of the option to enroll their child(ren) in in-person instruction (TL@H) or Covid Independent Study (CIS@H) for the 2021-22 school year. These options are for currently enrolled students only. The purpose is also to make families aware of this program's requirements, expectations, and resources. **Covid Independent Study @ Home (CIS@H) is only for students that want to be in an Independent Study program for 16+ days due to COVID-19 related health concerns.**

Please note that we will still offer the traditional short term Independent Study program for in-person students as FDS has historically provided over the years.

### **Intent to Participate in Covid Independent Study @ Home (CIS@H):**

Currently, FDS is accepting requests for CIS@H at the link below until **Friday, August 13**. You will need to complete the form only once as there is room to respond for up to five children. It is essential that you notify the District as soon as possible to ensure we have accurate enrollment numbers and educational program choices are finalized to help us to best plan for the upcoming school year.

[Covid Independent Study @ Home \(CIS@H\) 2021-22 Request Form](#)

Families and students should be strongly aware that significant home support and involvement are necessary to successfully progress through this program due to the “independent study” nature this educational choice.

After August 13, CIS@H program interest can be requested via email or phone through the school office.

Please send email to: Jenna Svoboda: [Jsvoboda@FUSD.org](mailto:Jsvoboda@FUSD.org) or call 530-367-3782

### **Conference**

Before beginning the CIS@H program, parents/guardians, students, teachers, and the administration will hold a conference to ask questions, set expectations, and provide information before deciding on enrollment into the CIS@H program. This conference may be by video conference or in-person.

### **Procedures for Enrolling and Dis-enrolling in Covid Independent Study @ Home (CIS@H):**

To enroll in CIS@H for the 2021-2022 school year, there must be an agreement in place for each student. The agreement must be signed by the student's parent or guardian and the school administrator. For students with IEPs, the student's individualized education plan (IEP) must specifically provide for CIS@H before the student may participate.

### **Instructional Program for Covid Independent Study @ Home (CIS@H):**

The program each student will receive is dependent upon the grade.

**For TK-3**, there will be a plan for 30 minutes of daily synchronous instruction. This is with the classroom teacher and can occur during class time or before or after school. This schedule will be teacher discretion.

**For 4-8th** grade students, there will be a plan for 50 minutes of weekly synchronous instruction **and** 20 minutes of daily live interaction with tutor, peers, or teacher. This schedule will be teacher discretion.

**Synchronous instruction** may include classroom-style instruction, small group instruction, or one-on-one instruction delivered in person, video conference, or via phone.

**Live interaction** may include interaction between the student and a teacher, aide, or other paraprofessionals. It may or may not involve peers. This interaction may be in-person, video conference, or via phone.

All individuals participating in the CIS@H program will have attendance, engagement, and participation requirements. Participation will be closely monitored.

This new guidance and Covid related independent study rules will most likely see updates, clarification, and changes as we move through the school year. We continue to work closely with the Placer County Office of Education, local health department, neighboring school districts, and our Board to ensure we comply with all state and local mandates.