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NOTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT OPTIONS

Dear Golden Hills Community School Parents/Guardians,

On behalf of the staff at Golden Hills Community School, we are excited to welcome your child back to our campus this fall! We look forward to seeing all of our students in their classrooms.

Pursuant to Education Code 51745, as amended by Assembly Bill 130 for the 2021-2022, we are offering an independent study option for students whose health would be put at risk by attending in-person instruction. Please contact our main school office at (707) 399-4840 as soon as possible to request the Independent Study option. If your child will be attending school in person, you do not need to do anything at this time. Independent Study instruction for students will be delivered virtually.

Below are the details of the independent study option:

Grades 4-8:

- Students will have synchronous instruction with a credentialed teacher for 60 minutes per week.
- Students will have daily “check-ins” with school staff.
- Students will complete their independent studies work using the Edgenuity standards-based online program. Students must plan on working during school hours on independent work each day.
- Assignments must be completed and returned to the classroom teacher one week after they are assigned.

Grades 9-12:

- Students will have synchronous instruction with a credentialed teacher for 60 minutes per week. Students will complete their independent studies work using the Edgenuity standards-based online program. Students must plan to work during school hours on independent work each day.
- Assignments must be completed and returned to the classroom teacher one week after they are assigned.

How to enroll in independent study

- Parents/ Guardians who are interested in enrolling their child in the Independent Study program for 15 days or more can visit the main office at Golden Hills Community

School. Our staff can assist you with completing the registration forms. Please contact our school secretary, Ms. Johnson at (707) 399-4840.

- Completed Independent Study forms will be forward to Dr. Garrett, Assistant Director of Educational Options. Dr. Garrett will contact parents/guardians and arrange a student-parent- administrator conference.

Disenrolling in Independent Study

- Parents/Guardians who request to disenroll their child from the Independent Study program must make the request in writing to Dr. Garrett, Assistant Director of Educational Options. Students will be placed in an in-person classroom within 5 school days.

Re-enrolling in Independent Study

- Parents/ Guardians who wish to re-enroll their child into the Independent Study program, must visit the main office at Golden Hills Community School and complete the Independent Study Request Form.
- The form must be submitted to Dr. Garrett, Assistant Director of Educational Options.
- Once the form is received, Dr. Garrett will schedule a student-parent-administrator conference.

Progress Monitoring

Students are expected to complete all assignments. The classroom teacher will assign a grade for completed work. If a student does not complete their assignments or is not making satisfactory progress, an evaluation of whether the student should be allowed to continue independent study will be conducted.

Special Education or 504 Plan

Independent Study is not an option for students in special education unless it is documented in the student's Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan per Education Code 56026 and 51745.

We look forward to a successful 2021-2022 school year!

Respectfully,

Dr. Valerie Garrett