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Vanden High School Short Term Independent Study

Dear Parents and Student,

Given TUSD has returned to fulltime in person learning, it is always in student's best interest to be physically present at school when school is in session. Vacations should be scheduled during school breaks to allow students maximum access to their education. For most students, there is a direct correlation between in class attendance and achievement. For those rare times, when students must miss school, Short-term Independent Study may be an option. Students who meet the requirements below, and are able to complete work independently, may apply for STIS for three (3) to fifteen (15) consecutive school days. Applications must be submitted five or more days in advance in order to give teachers adequate time to prepare the Independent Study lessons.

If your student has an IEP, an IEP meeting must be held before the STIS request can be approved. Contact your student's case manager and Tracy Adan (at tadan@travisusd.org) well in advance to allow enough time to coordinate and hold an IEP meeting as well as complete the necessary paperwork.

Please complete the following for an STIS request.

- 1. Complete the application found on the Vanden website STIS.
- 2. Return or email the completed application to Tracy Adan (tadan@travisusd.org)
- 3. Complete all work assigned by your teachers while you are out independently.
- 4. Turn in completed work to the Tracy Adan in Student Support Center on return date.

A final component of STIS is that all work done during the absence must be submitted the day the student returns to school. Students who do not submit their work upon return, will have **Unexcused** absences and become truant.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Vanden High School Administrative Team (707)437-7333 Tracy Adan School Secretary (707)437-7333 ext. 8010