

San Diego Neighborhood Homeschools

Master Agreement for Home Study

Semester: _____ Start Date: _____ End Date: _____

Student: _____ Grade: _____

Address: _____

Birth Date: _____ Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Consultant: _____

We, the undersigned, voluntarily agree to the following terms and conditions of this independent home study agreement.

Enrollment California Education Code Section 51747(c)(7)

We understand that independent home study is an optional educational alternative in which no student is required to participate (E.C.51747(c)(7)), and that our student will remain eligible to enroll in a school located in the district in which we reside. We declare that our student will not be enrolled in a private school while he/she is enrolled in this independent study program. In the case of a suspended student pending expulsion pursuant to E.C. 48915 or 18917, instruction may be provided through independent study only if the student is offered the alternative of classroom instruction.

Meetings and Reporting, California Education Code Section 51747(c)(1)

Assignments

All work assigned in relation to this independent home study agreement is detailed in the Monthly Pacing Guides and shall be completed and turned in to the assigning Teacher Consultant within 20 school days of the date of each assignment. Additional meetings may be required on a weekly basis if deemed necessary by the Teacher Consultant.

Frequency: Monthly or Weekly **Manner:** face to face, fax, phone, email, mail, any type of video conferencing software such as Skype, MSN Messenger, OoVoo, or ichtat.

Location: local resource center or agreed upon location

Educational Objectives and Methods of Study, California Education Code Section 41747(c)(2)

Objectives

Learning objectives, based on California State Content and Performance Standards, are outlined in the student's Individualized Learning Plan. The high school Individualized Learning Plan will include a summary of credits to be earned during the semester or, for elementary grades, other measures of academic accomplishments appropriate to the agreement.

Methods of Study

- drill and practice
- adopted textbooks
- field study
- community college dual enrollment
- other methods as devised by parent and Teacher Consultant

Resources

The school will provide appropriate services and resources to enable students to complete the assigned work in accordance with Education Code Section 51746. Specific resources to be made available include:

- textbooks
- workbooks
- essays
- projects
- internet activities
- online curriculum
- other methods as devised by parent and Teacher Consultant

Evaluation, California Education Code Section 51747(c)(2) and Title 5, California Code of Regulations 11703**Methods of Evaluation**

Academic evaluations of the student's work will be made on the same basis as is utilized in a traditional classroom for similar work. Methods of evaluation may include but are not limited to:

- Teacher Consultant made tests
- observations
- projects
- student conferences
- review of work samples
- chapter/unit tests
- other methods as devised by parent and Teacher Consultant

Evaluations required of our program by the State:

- Student Portfolio*
- Monthly review of work
- STAR Testing
- Parent & teacher observations

*A portfolio is a purposeful, integrated collection of student work samples that shows student effort, progress, or achievement in one or more areas. The collection includes learning records and a minimum of two or more samples of graded work across the curriculum. Samples are collected at monthly conferences.

Course Credits, California Education Code Section 51747(c)(6)

All students may earn credit and/or grades towards advancement as a measure of academic accomplishment in site based classes and home-based coursework.

Resources, California Education Code Section 51747(c)(3)

By participating in an independent study program and enrolling in this school, we understand that we have access to a number of services and resources including school personnel, textbooks, support materials, and other community resources and assets. We also understand that this is a public school funded with public dollars. Instructional funds used for the education of students enrolled in the independent study program are public dollars. Any instructional materials or supplies purchased with public funds are the property of the program and must be returned to the school within 24 hours of the time the student graduates or leaves the school for any other reason. We further understand that we must pay for lost or damaged school property that we have checked out.

Student's Agreement

- I understand that home study is an optional educational alternative that I have voluntarily selected.
- I understand that by entering independent/home study I have not waived any rights as a student and am entitled to all San Diego Neighborhood Homeschools services and resources.
- I Understand that I must follow all the discipline code and behavior guidelines of San Diego Neighborhood Homeschools.
- I understand that visitation on any other school campus requires permission from that school.
- I agree to be supervised by my assigned Teacher Consultant and/or other approved staff while on-site.
- I agree to complete all assignments given to me during the time that this agreement is in effect and by the due date on the Monthly Pacing Guide.
- I agree to meet on a scheduled basis with my assigned Teacher Consultant. I realize that it is my responsibility to complete all assigned work within the 20 school day assignment period. I also understand that missed appointments and/or failure to have all assigned work and Student Learning Logs

completed and turned in for a learning period may result in a review of my placement in independent home study.

Parent / Guardian's Agreement

- I understand and agree to the above conditions listed under the student's agreement.
- I understand that the major objective of independent study/home study is to provide a voluntary educational alternative for my son or daughter.
- I am responsible for the daily monitoring and verification of subjects studied as well as daily grading of student work, completion of the Student Learning Log and all paperwork as required by the supervising Teacher Consultant.
- I agree to meet on a scheduled basis with my child's assigned Teacher Consultant.

- I realize that it is my responsibility to promptly reschedule any appointment missed due to an emergency.
- I also understand that failure to report to an appointment and/or failure to see to it that my student completes assigned work within the 20 school day assignment and have all Student Learning Logs completed and turned in for a learning period may result in a review of my child's placement in independent home study.
- I understand that the course objectives are consistent with and are evaluated in the same manner that they would be if my son or daughter were enrolled in a traditional school program.
- I am liable for the cost of replacement or repair for willingly damaged or destroyed books, computers, software, or other school property checked out to my son or daughter.
- I acknowledge that all learning resources used are the property of San Diego Neighborhood Homeschools and must be returned to the school upon proper notice.
- I understand that a Teacher Consultant or supervisor will meet with me and my son or daughter on a regular basis to direct coursework and measure progress. The time, frequency, and location of these meetings are set forth in this agreement.
- Any violation of these guidelines above could result in dismissal from San Diego Neighborhood Homeschools
- I have the right to appeal to the school administrator any decision about my son or daughter's placement or school program according to the San Diego Neighborhood Homeschools' procedures.

We agree that we have read, understand and accept the program requirements and policies of this program and the requirements of the State of California as described in the California Education Code cited in this document. As a parent, I accept full responsibility for my child's education and acknowledge that this program was founded to facilitate new and innovative educational approaches that may not be appropriate for all children.

_____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian Signature:

_____ Date: _____
Student Signature

_____ Date: _____
Teacher Consultant
Signature