

SEAQUAM SECONDARY

Application for a Grade 12 Independent Study Block

Parents and students - please ensure that you read through this application thoroughly and sign in the appropriate place.

Name: _____ Student #: _____

Please note: In no situation will a grade 12 student be able to take fewer than 7 courses (including Grad Transitions) unless there are exceptional circumstances.

It is important for students to remember that the purpose of attending high school is to obtain a well-rounded education while meeting the necessary graduation requirements. Post-secondary institutions, like UBC and SFU, are basing their acceptance criteria on the rigor and depth of a student's workload and experiences at high school. It is the responsibility of a student, through consultation with his or her parents and school counsellor, to ensure that all appropriate Graduation Requirements are met.

Many students in Grade 12 would like to have 1 (one) Study Block in their schedule but this will be entertained only if all of the following criteria are met:

1. Understand that Grad Transitions becomes a study early in December and that you are essentially applying for a second study block.
2. A student has a minimum of 88 credits including the study and Grad Transitions (80 credits are required to graduate in June).
3. A student has a minimum of English 12 and 3 (three) post-secondary approved courses in his/her schedule.
4. Must provide a separate letter describing how this study time will support your learning (attach to application)
5. A student does not have a record of poor attendance or disciplinary concerns.
6. If a second study is approved there will be no opportunity to drop another course through the school year.
7. A student has received approval from the Administration.

Why do you require an Independent Study Block? _____

What course/course request will you drop if your Study Block is approved?

Expectations for a granted study block:

1. Students will be in the library (if it is available), off school grounds (not in any smoking areas), at home or in the public library, in the cafeteria, NOT in the halls.
2. Students are to use this time for review of work, preparing for tests or for completing assignments.
3. Students not abiding by the above may lose the right to be on campus during their study block.

I understand the above expectations and agree to abide by them.

Student Signature

Parent Signature

Approved Not Approved

Date: _____

Counsellor Signature

Administrator's Signature