

SD42 POLICY: 8912

INDEPENDENT DIRECTED STUDIES

PHILOSOPHY

The Board of Education (“Board”) recognizes that students learn in a variety of ways, including outside the regular secondary school program. Independent Directed Studies (IDS) offer opportunities for students to pursue learning outcomes beyond those normally taught in the classroom, and to earn credit for incomplete course outcomes.

AUTHORITY

The Board assigns the responsibility for the implementation of this policy to the Superintendent and authorizes the Superintendent to establish procedures to guide its implementation.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

IDS credits shall be awarded to students who have successfully completed independent work based on a subset of learning outcomes of Grade 10, 11 or 12 Ministry developed courses or Board/Authority Authorized courses. A student may study one or more learning outcomes in depth, or study more broadly a wide variety of learning outcomes from a single course.

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