Independent Studies
Annual Report

Innovative Programs

Kern High School District
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 5, 2018
Topics

• Independent Studies Laws For Collecting ADA
• Independent Studies Numbers
• Discovery Center
• Kern Learn
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Laws for Collecting ADA
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Laws Collecting for ADA

- Education Code 51745.6 (a)(1)
  - Ratio of ADA for independent studies must be within the teacher-to-ADA limits and shall not exceed the equivalent ratio of pupils to full-time certificated employees for all other education programs operated by the school district
    - ADA of Direct Instruction to Direct Instruction FTE for P2 in 2016-2017 was 22.2
    - ADA Independent Studies to Independent Studies FTE for P2 in 2016-2017 was 20.9

- Education Code 51745(b)
  - There is a 10 percent cap on claiming independent study ADA in continuation high schools
    - “A pupil who is pregnant or is a parent who is the primary caregiver for one or more of his or her children shall not be counted within the 10 percent cap”

- Education Code 51747 (c)(7) and California Code of Regulations
  - The option to take courses via independent study must be continuously voluntary
Independent Studies
Laws Collecting for ADA

• Education Code 51745 (a)(3)
  • “Individualized alternative education designed to teach the knowledge and skills of the core curriculum. Independent study shall not be provided as an alternative curriculum.”

• California Code of Regulations Title 5 Section 11702 (b)
  • “The curriculum and methods of study specified in an independent study agreement shall be consistent with the district or county office of education policies and procedures for curriculum and instruction as adopted by the governing board.”
Independent Studies
Numbers
Independent Studies Capacity

2016-2017

- Comprehensive Sites
  - 636 Students
  - 23 Teachers
  - 106 Sections

- Continuation Sites
  - 114 Students
  - 4 Teachers
  - 19 Sections

- Discovery Center
  - 384 Students
  - 11 Teachers
  - 65 Sections

- Kern Learn
  - 450 Students
    - Combination of Full and Part-Time
  - 11 Teachers
  - 54 Sections
Independent Studies
Average Daily Attendance

2015-2016
• Annual Average Daily Attendance (ADA)
  • 766.59 units for Independent Studies out of 35,440.41 units
  • 2.2% of District Total
• Comprehensive Sites
  • 396.95 units of ADA for Independent Studies
• Continuation Sites
  • 45.33 units of ADA for Independent Studies
  • 5.9% of Continuation’s ADA
• Discovery Center
  • 264.94 units of ADA for Independent Studies
• Kern Learn
  • 59.37 units of ADA for Independent Studies

2016-2017
• Annual Average Daily Attendance (ADA)
  • 884.04 units for Independent Studies out of 36,167.74 units
  • 2.4% of District Total
• Comprehensive Sites
  • 381.38 units of ADA for Independent Studies
• Continuation Sites
  • 46.00 units of ADA for Independent Studies
  • 5.8% of Continuation’s ADA
• Discovery Center
  • 326.72 units of ADA for Independent Studies
• Kern Learn
  • 129.94 units of ADA for Independent Studies
Graduates Through Independent Studies

**2015-2016**
- School Site Graduates: 278
- Discovery Center Graduates: 345
  - 197 5th year seniors
  - 148 current year seniors
- Total Graduates Through Independent Studies was 623 students

**2016-2017**
- School Site Graduates: 196
- Discovery Center Graduates: 438
  - 153 5th year seniors
  - 285 current year seniors
- Total Graduates Through Independent Studies was 634 students
Enrollment into Independent Studies

- Enrollment must be voluntary
- All students in all programs must:
  - Complete a Master Agreement
    - Classes the student will be enrolled in and method of turning in assigned work
  - Take a placement test
    - Currently students must be above 6th grade level in English and Comprehension
### 2015-2016
- 668 students enrolled throughout the school year
  - 232 - 5th year seniors
  - 432 - Current year seniors
  - 4 - Juniors
- 271 enrolled in the summer
- 11 teachers and 1 Administrator

### 2016-2017
- 809 students enrolled throughout the school year
  - 247 - 5th year seniors
  - 553 - Current year seniors
  - 9 - Juniors
- 300 enrolled in the summer
- 11 teachers and 1 Administrator
Kern Learn

1st Semester 2015-2016
- 82 active students
  - Full time - 49
  - ADA P1 - 48.48
  - ADA Annual 59.37
- 102 enrolled throughout the first semester
- 5 full-time teachers
- 5 single period teachers at multiple school sites
- 1 Counselors
- 1 Classified employees

1st Semester 2016-2017
- 247 active students
  - Full time - 116
  - ADA P1 - 101.61
  - ADA Annual 129.94
- 339 enrolled throughout the first semester
- 11 full-time teachers
- 2 Counselors
- 2 Classified employees

1st Semester 2017-2018
- 371 active students
  - Full time - 170
  - ADA P1 – 132.89
  - ADA Annual – 165*
- 467 enrolled throughout the first semester
- 11 full-time teachers
- 2 Counselors
- 2 Classified employees

*Projected annual ADA
Kern Learn 1st Semester Enrollment

- Active Students
- ADA P1
- Enrolled Throughout 1st Semester
2015-2016 School Year
• 97 active students
  • Full time - 72
  • ADA P1 – 59.37
• 174 enrolled throughout the year

2016-2017 School Year
• 302 active students
  • Full time - 187
  • ADA Annual – 129.94
• 538 enrolled throughout the year