

JOHN DEWEY HIGH SCHOOL  
Sol Levine, Principal

INDEPENDENT STUDY

What is INDEPENDENT STUDY?

On your program you will see that you are programmed for "independent study." These are modules which allow you to direct your time in areas or projects that are of interest to you. One of the principal goals of the Dewey program is to lead you to become a responsible, concerned, and self-reliant adult. Productive and responsible use of your independent study modules can help you to achieve this goal. Independent study is a vital part of the Dewey program and there are many options available to you during this time.

Where can you go during INDEPENDENT STUDY modules?

1. RESOURCE CENTERS. Every subject area has its own resource center. Teachers are always available in the centers to assist you. Resource centers are equipped with books, pamphlets, periodicals, and audio-visual materials. You can do your homework, get individual help from a teacher, work on an individual project, read, talk with a teacher or help a classmate.
2. THE LIBRARY. The library is one of our most important resource centers. In addition to a substantial book collection, it contains a wide variety of magazines, records, filmstrips, micro-films, and an Audio-Visual Center. It also has extensive vocational and college information sections, where you may read and browse. Our librarians will be happy to help you obtain any additional information you wish.
3. ISGA ACTIVITIES. Each week a schedule of ISGA (Independent Study group activities) programs is published and distributed to every Dewey guest speakers, debates, etc. The time and location of the activities are also publicized on bulletin boards throughout the school. You can also help plan an ISGA activity by speaking with Miss Kapica who is responsible for organizing the ISGA programs.
4. CLUBS. Every department has a club program that meets when the students in the club have independent study time. You can learn about the different clubs in the resource center of each subject area and through the Student Organization.
5. THE DISK PROGRAM. DISK stands for Dewey Independent Study Kit. This program allows you to take a subject on your own without attending a class. You work with the DISK on your own or in a resource center or in the DISK room of that subject area where you can get assistance from a teacher. When you complete the DISK, you take an examination. Successful completion of the DISK awards the grade of MI (Mastery in Independent Study).

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HOME ECONOMICS DISKS (NOTE SCHEDULE ON CLASS DOOR FOR TIME)

Sewing (also Design Tailoring) - Room 205  
Advanced Baking - Room 205

INDUSTRIAL ARTS DISKS (NOTE SCHEDULE ON SHOP DOOR FOR TIME)

Mechanical Drawing - Mr. Girone - Room 123  
Graphic Arts - Mr. Girone - Room 121  
Metal Technology - Mr. Girone - Room 125  
Transportation (Lab & Survey) - Mr. Miller - Room 133  
Wood (also Advanced Wood) - Mr. Feuer - Room 129

Advanced Courses in any of the above listed areas - See Mr. Rubin Room 279

The DISK program is a very important part of the total Dewey program. You can get information on the DISKs available in each subject from the Independent Study Coordinator of that subject, the department chairman or the teachers in the resource center.

6. SCHOOL CAFETERIA. The school cafeteria is open from 8:05 - 10:20 A.M. and 1:40 - 3:00 P.M. for coffee and snacks. Lunch is served from 10:20 A.M. - 1:40 P.M. You may go to the cafeteria during your independent study modules.

7. GUIDANCE OFFICES. The independent study modules also afford you time in which to meet with your guidance counselor to discuss your program for the next cycle, graduation requirements, college information, or a problem you may have. You can also make appointments to meet with a teacher or a chairman during this time.

8. S.O. STORE. School supplies are available in the S.O. Store. The hours or modules when the store is open are posted.

9. SCHOOL SERVICE. You may also assist teachers, chairmen and secretaries during your independent study modules. Service credit is given for your assistance.

10. CAMPUS. You may also use the campus area during your independent study modules. However, excessive noise disturbs classes in session and litter destroys the beauty of our campus area.

As you can see, the independent study time can be used in a variety of ways. It is up to you to decide how productively you want to spend your time. Exciting and interesting courses, programs and activities are available to you as are the total human and material resources of the school. Judicious use of your independent study modules will really make your stay at Dewey "an adventure in education."

DIRECTORY OF RESOURCE CENTERS AND DISK ROOMS

SUBJECT	MAIN RESOURCE CENTER	DISK ROOM	DEPT. OFFICE
*Art	Art Rooms	270	279
Business Ed.	377	377	369
English	215	102	216
For. Languages	261	104	255
Ind. Arts	Shops	131	279
Library	119		
Mathematics	315	323	323
*Music	A5, A7	A9	A9
Health & Phy.Ed.	Gyms - 122	122	G1
Science	239, 339	110	251
Social Studies	261	120	368

THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT RESOURCE CENTER

Having trouble singing on pitch? Need a quiet place to practice your clarinet? Looking for music for two or more players? Want an independent study project in composition? These and other musical problems should lead you to the Music Resource Center.

LOCATION First floor, straight ahead of you as you enter the school, alongside the auditorium.

DISKS Most instruments, voice, music history, elementary theory, and composition may be learned on independent study. Just ask chairman for name of teacher who can assist you. You must see DISK teacher at least one day per week to receive credit.

ROOMS A9 - Chairman's office; chamber music library; listening center; information

A7 - Classroom. Also used for rehearsals

Practice Rooms - Ten soundproofed rooms for individual and small group work. Enter through door to A5. Music teachers are on duty here to help you.

A5 - Choral room and piano lab. Teachers on duty here to help you

THE ART DEPARTMENT RESOURCE CENTER

The DISKs in the Art Department, Industrial Arts Department and Home Economics Department are created by the student, with the aid and direction of the teacher in the area of the student's choice.

A DISK can take one cycle or be extended for an extra cycle. A student must have taken at least one class in the area of interest in order to take a DISK. The student must work with the DISK teacher two (2) times a week and present the completed project at the noted time before the end of the cycle.

ART DISKS (NOTE SCHEDULE ON STUDIO DOOR FOR TIME)

ROOMS

Drawing Printmaking - Mr. Lasky - Room 271  
 Painting, Film Making - Mr. Sarnoff - Rooms 272 & 201  
 Sculpture, Fashion Design - Room 270  
 Photography - Room 281  
 Graphic Comm; Env. Des. - Mr. Rubin - Room 279  
 Jewelry Making - Mr. Green - Room 135