

**LAKE TRAVIS HIGH SCHOOL**

Guidelines for Independent Study/GT Recognition

1. Student will select a topic for his or her senior Independent Study.
2. Student will contact a faculty member and gain approval and agreement from that faculty member to supervise the student’s Independent Study. The agreement form will be signed and submitted to the Independent Study Committee by the end of the third week of school.
3. Student will obtain a mentor as an advisor on his/her project. The mentor should be an adult with an expertise in the area of the independent study. This mentor may not be an employee of LTHS and must be approved by the Independent Study Committee.
4. Student will submit a proposal of study to the Independent Study Committee by the end of the 1st grading period for approval including:
   * + Topic
     + Mentor Information Form (including qualification)
     + Outline of Proposed Study
     + Timeline of Proposed Study
     + Description of Final Product & Presentation
5. The expectation of Independent Study/GT Recognition is for a presentation and final product at a post high school level. A written report submitted at the time of presentation must include cited research, article reviews, and summation and application of data.

Please see attached rubric for sample expectations.