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Independent Study (IS) Update for LEA Leaders

2024-25

This Independent Study update will support communication efforts about Independent Study (IS) from Los Angeles County Office of Education to all LEAs and the communities they serve. Our goal is to provide you with the most up to date information regarding the latest IS policy amendments resulting from SB 153 - Education Omnibus Budget Trailer Bill.

LEA/School Leaders IS 2024-25 Updates		
Resource	**Links**	**Description**
Master Service Agreement Requirements	CDE SB 153 Letter	Updates to IS policy includes a three-day minimum for claiming ADA. LEAs can now claim ADA for any duration. Short-term IS is now up to 15 days, and the Master Services Agreement can be signed anytime. Long-term IS is 16 days or more and requires written agreements to be signed ahead of time. Eligible evidence for asynchronous instruction now includes online work. 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Tab 1 Turn on screen reader support To enable screen reader support, press Ctrl+Alt+Z To learn about keyboard shortcuts, press Ctrl+slash IS LEA LEADER TOOLKIT UPDATE (08/08/22)
Lozano Smith Attorneys at Law	Independent Study Program Updates	A firm dedicated to public agencies and school districts provided important updates

	(August 2024)	regarding IS programs based on SB 153.
CDE Independent Study FAQs	CDE Independent Study Frequently Asked Questions	FAQs include references to statutes and best practices.
CDE - Attendance Accounting (AA) & Instructional Time (IT) Independent Study FAQs	AA & IT Independent Study FAQs (CA Dept of Education)	CDE's Frequently asked questions (FAQs) about independent study requirements, attendance accounting (AA) and instructional time (IT).
IS LEA Leader Toolkit (10.12.21)	2021-22 LEA Leader Toolkit Link	2021-22 LEA Leader Toolkit with extensive resources.
IS LEA Leader Toolkit (08.08.22)	2022-23 LEA Leader Toolkit Link	2022-23 LEA Leader Toolkit with extensive resources.