

# Computer Science Independent Study 1

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<p><b>Course Description:</b></p> <p>The purpose of <b>Independent Study</b> is to give Computer Science students who have completed at least one Computer Science course the opportunity to design and develop Computer Science, Cyber Security, Video Game, Computer Graphics, and Business project of their choice. All projects must be <b>reviewed and approved by Mr. Cusack</b>. If a student does not propose a well-thought-out project, Mr. Cusack may provide guidance by assigning structured work and lessons focused on current and advanced computer science topics. Periodically, Mr. Cusack will also present lessons on emerging computer science trends, and <b>all students are required to participate in these shared assignments</b>.</p>	
<p><b>Late Work Guidelines:</b> <i>Late assignments will receive a 10-point deduction for each day they are submitted after the due date.</i> <b>Active participation and group collaboration</b> will be evaluated and graded. <b>Tutorials</b> are typically available Monday and Wednesday until 4:00 PM, and before school by appointment only</p>	<p><b>Grade Repair and Re-Test Policy:</b> Students may review the material and complete test corrections before retaking an assessment within <b>five (5) days</b>. The replacement grade may not exceed <b>75</b>. This re-test policy does <b>not</b> apply to major projects. Please refer to the <b>Grade Replacement</b> below for additional details on how to complete grade repair.</p>
<p><b>Online Resources used:</b> Joe Cusack Assignments <a href="http://www.cusack2.com">www.cusack2.com</a> Khan Academy <a href="https://www.khanacademy.org/">https://www.khanacademy.org/</a> W3School <a href="https://www.w3schools.com/">https://www.w3schools.com/</a> Code.org: Learn today, build a brighter tomorrow. <a href="https://code.org/">https://code.org/</a> Amazon Future Engineer- Project STEM program <a href="https://projectstem.org/users/sign_in">https://projectstem.org/users/sign_in</a></p>	<p><b>Grade replacement:</b> I offer grade replacement for an assignment. If a student competes on my Computer Science UIL team. I will replace a minor or major grade with a 100. Minor grade replacement for any ranking in the contest. Major grades replacement will happen if the student makes a grade of 75 or more on the UIL test (Perfect score 240). No limit to the number of contests you can attend. Replacement grade must be used in the current grading period.</p> <p><b>Student Absence Procedures</b> One day to make up work for each day absent</p>