



Independent Study Proposal

Advanced Natural Resources Topics – Semester 2

Semester: Spring 2023

Teacher: Mrs. Melanie Berndtson

The **PURPOSE** of this course is to provide the student with an opportunity to study advanced Natural Resource Management topics. This student plans to study this major in college and wants to extend their knowledge beyond the Natural Resource Management and Environmental Science courses he has already taken. This independent study would give Spencer more focused time to study topics we have not covered in prior courses.

Some of the **TOPICS** covered in this course include Natural Resource Management topics needed for success in the Natural Resources field. These may include, but are not limited to, the following: Knowledge of wild birds and mammals, wildlife ecology, conservation and management of wildlife, and wildlife and society.

ASSESSMENT will be accomplished through both written and oral evaluations, written assignments, and hands-on, real world assignments. Spencer will be utilizing the PA Envirothon Wildlife and Aquatics topic areas training materials to guide his study.

If Chase does not attend scheduled meetings, does not complete assignments, or if he demonstrates a poor attitude or a lack of effort, he will lose points and may also lose the privilege of having an independent study.

The **GRADING SCALE** for this class is the standard high school grading scale:

93-100%	A
85 – 92%	B
77-84%	C
70 – 76%	D
0 – 69%	F

If the student successfully completes this independent study, he/she will receive 1 science **CREDITS**.

The **TEXT** used for this independent study is handouts given by the teacher.

Other **MATERIALS/RESOURCES** will include online curriculum and websites, reference books, and other resources available in the classroom.

The **MEETING TIMES** for this independent study will include Spencer’s study hall, along with hornet lunch time as needed to discuss and complete required assignments. Email

and online communication will also be used. A formal check in will occur at least once per week.

REQUIRED SIGNATURES:



Student – Spencer Wetzel

2-1-23
Date



Teacher – Mrs. Melanie Berndtson

2/1/23
Date



School Counselor – Mrs. Tanya Harmon

2/1/23
Date



Principal – Mr. Jeremy Byrd

2/1/23
Date