

**INVITATION TO DAVIS SCHOOL FOR INDEPENDENT STUDY
OPEN HOUSE AND
PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT**

March 12, 2008: Open House/Science Fair/Geography Projects from 6:00-7:00 in the evening. A short informational meeting will follow for parents interested in the option of Davis School for Independent Study (DSIS) for their children.

Davis School for Independent Study is an alternative K-12 school for the Davis Joint Unified School District, which is fully accredited through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). The school offers an alternative instructional methodology to that of the traditional classroom. The school creates a small, supportive environment in which students and families can access the district's recommended course of study. Enrollment in the school is voluntary and is a choice made by the student, parent and DSIS. Attendance is based on a student's completed work and not on traditional "seat time". Therefore each student must be motivated to study on his or her own independently and complete all assignments.

The secondary program is an option for students needing an alternative instructional model from a traditional school site. The student is assigned a teacher and a specific weekly meeting time. The teacher and the student meet for one hour per week and follow the district adopted curriculum. A collection of supplementary materials that support achievement in the home setting is used. The student is expected to work on assignments independently through the week and bring them completed to the next scheduled meeting. Parents are encouraged to offer support and guidance in order for the student to succeed in the school. DSIS has a number of weekly classes that provide additional instruction in specific content areas.

The elementary program provides a format for supporting a home-based, parent-guided educational process. The focus of the program is to ensure education according to each child's individual strengths and needs. Each homestudy family will remain autonomous, recognizing that parents know their child best and are motivated to do what is best for each child. A supervising teacher will guide and act as a resource to the homestudy families in meeting individualized education needs. Workshops in core content areas are provided weekly to supplement homestudy.

For more information please contact the school office at 530-757-5333 or come to DSIS Open House and parent information night at 526 B Street on March 12, 2008.