

# IAA ACADEMIC SUPPORT SYSTEMS



**ASSISTED STUDY CLASS** | Assisted Study is a support system for all students who need assistance with learning or who are struggling with time management, organization, assignment completion, test anxiety, or any other learning issues that may be preventing the student from achieving their full academic potential. Assisted Study is overseen by the Assistant Head of School for Academics and staffed by full-time instructors who are experienced in individualized academic support strategies.

**FACULTY OFFICE HOURS (X-BLOCKS)** | Each academic faculty member holds afternoon X-Block four times per week with additional office hours on Wednesday mornings. Students are encouraged to seek assistance from their teachers when needed. Attendance may be mandated for any student whose grade drops below a "B" in any class.

**PEER TUTORS** | Student writing tutors and math/science tutors are available during Assisted Study and X-Blocks, and on request, depending on individual tutor availability.

**AVAILABLE ACADEMIC ACCOMMODATIONS** | For students with a documented learning differences, The School can provide:

- Extra time on tests via X-Block or Assisted Study (pre-arranged with teacher/counselor)
- Use of a laptop or tablet for in-class essays
- Use of audiobooks if needed
- Verbal clarification from teacher on tests

The School does not:

- Provide one-on-one tutoring for students (though families are welcome to secure private tutors for their children at their own expense, granted that tutoring sessions work within the student's class and dorm schedules)
- Modify assignments, reduce homework, or extend deadlines
- Require teachers to share lesson slides or notes (though they may do so)

**COLLEGE COUNSELING** | The Idyllwild Arts College and Career Counseling Program offers comprehensive college and career support, tailored to the unique needs of creative students, regardless of their future goals. Through designated 11th and 12th grade classes on College and Career Exploration (11th grade) and Preparation (12th grade), as well as regular family information sessions and individual college meetings, our counselors empower students to navigate each step of the college and career process with confidence. Counselors also collaborate with academic faculty to provide individualized college essay support.

(See IAA Student/Family Handbook, Section 6, for additional details about academic support for students.)