INDEPENDENT LEARNING

Launching Brief

PHASE 1: FOUNDATION LESSONS

Teach these lessons before launching Independent Learning:

- What is Independent? (all by yourself)
- What is Engagement? (engaged, not engaged, actively disengaged)
- Material Management (book boxes/notebook/computer/device)
- Choosing a Good-Fit S.P.A.C.E. to Work
- Think: What is My Purpose?

PHASE 2: 10 Steps to Independent Learning

Use the 10 Steps to Teaching and Learning Independence to launch Independent Learning:

- 1 | Identify what is to be taught: Independent Learning
- 2 | Set a purpose: Create a sense of urgency
 - Be respectful to others
 - Learn more
 - It is fun
- 3 | Identify the behaviors of Independent Learning on I-chart
- 4 | Model most-desirable behaviors
- 5 | Model least-desirable behaviors, then most-desirable behaviors (same student)
- 6 | Place students around the room
- 7 | Practice and build engagement
- 8 | Stay out of the way; monitor student engagement
- 9 | Use a quiet signal- come back to group
- 10 | Group check-in: "How did it go?"

SAMPLE I-CHART	
Fun! Respectful to Others	Learn More
Independent Learning	
Students	Teacher
Get started right away Stay in one spot Work the whole time Work quietly Ignore distractions Persevere	Work with students