

ILP Frequently Asked Questions

How do I sign up for ILP classes?

Fill out an application and get approval from school administration.

Are there any restrictions on getting into the ILP program?

You must maintain a 3.0 GPA while in the ILP program. Failure to maintain a 3.0 may result in denial of your request to enter the program. It may also result in being pulled out of the program if you are already enrolled. You must also have reasonably good attendance to remain in the program. Frequent absences will not be tolerated except in cases of medical or other legitimate need.

What classes do you offer?

We offer most classes needed to graduate in English and Social Studies. Unfortunately, we do not offer science, health, CTE, or foreign language classes.

Can I take honors classes?

We offer honors English. To get honors credit for English, just complete the assignments labeled, honors.

What if I'm not taking honors English?

Because of our small student base, we place honors and non-honors students in the same classes. If you are not taking honors, just skip over the honors assignments, and you will be excused from them at the end of the term.

Do you offer AP or concurrent classes?

Unfortunately, we cannot offer AP or concurrent classes at this time. Please see Highland High School's list of available AP and concurrent classes.

What happens if I cannot log into my account?

If you have trouble logging in, just speak with one of the ILP staff members, and they can help you log in.

When is all of my work due?

Most of our classes don't have official deadlines; however, you must be done with your current term work by the end of the term. Failure to finish by term deadlines will result in missed credit that will need to be made up before you can graduate. See the syllabus for term deadline dates.

Can my parents see my grades in PowerSchool?

Sadly, our online platform does not interface with PowerSchool at all. However, your parents can be set up with a guardian account on Spark, and can view your grades and progress from there. Contact Ashley Bond at abond@saltlakespa.org to have a guardian account created.

How do my grades get entered on my transcript?

Once you have completed a course, your final grade will be entered onto a certificate that will be submitted to the office. Our office staff will put the grade on your transcript. Please note that it may take several days for your final grade to appear on your transcript.

Can I work ahead?

Yes, you can work as fast as you like. However, you will only be permitted to move ahead in a course if you are keeping up in ALL of your ILP courses. (i.e. you cannot move ahead in English if you are behind in social studies)

What if I can't finish by the term deadline?

If you come to school and work consistently, you should be able to complete all of your work by the term deadline. Grades will be entered at the end of term just like any other class. Failing grades will be entered as a no grade (NG). Extensions will only be granted if there is some extenuating circumstance that prevents you from finishing the class on time.

Can I test out of a class?

No. This is not a test out course.

What if I don't complete enough work to pass the class?

If you do not have a passing grade by the term deadline, you will be required to take the class in credit recovery. Failing too many classes will result in being pulled from the ILP program.

I have only partially completed the course, but my grade says I have an A. Is this my final grade?

No, this is the grade you have received on the work you have completed so far. To view your final grade, go to the Spark dashboard. Hover over your current grade with your mouse. A notification will pop up saying what your final grade would be if you stopped working at this point.

How do I know what to work on each week?

Most of our courses have labels or pacing guides that will tell you which assignments to complete that week. On average, you will need to complete 1.5-2 assignments per class per week to finish by the term deadline. If you have questions about what to work on, don't hesitate to ask.

Do I have to have an ILP class on my schedule?

Yes. You must have one scheduled class block for every ILP class you take (i.e. if you are taking three ILP courses, you will need 3 scheduled class periods). You will only be permitted to take the number of classes for which you have scheduled class periods. A schedule change or extra classes will only be considered if you finish a course early.

Can I take extra ILP classes even if I'm not enrolled in extra courses (as a study hall)?

No, you will not be permitted to have more ILP class periods than you have courses. Students who qualify for additional time and instructional support through an IEP or 504 plan may be scheduled for up to one extra class period if it is deemed necessary for their academic success. If you need a study hall, speak with the counseling department about independent study options.

Can I work from home?

This is not a work from home course. Students must attend school regularly. However, if you need to work at home for any reason, you can access our platform from any device with the Internet by going to saltlakespa.sparkeducation.com. Exceptions will be given for Covid-19 and other illnesses.

Can I work in another classroom?

Students are required to work in one of our ILP classrooms. Going to the counseling center or media lab is not permitted. Exceptions may be made on an individual basis provided that the student has a legitimate reason for needing to work in another location.

What if I need credit recovery?

Credit recovery will be offered on an as-needed basis. You must have a time slot in your schedule for credit recovery. All term deadlines and submission rules will apply to credit recovery classes.

How can I get help if I don't understand a concept or assignment?

We highly encourage self-advocacy in this program. If you need help with anything, please don't hesitate to ask one of our staff members. We love helping students succeed.