

“Everyone needs someone in their life to listen and encourage them without performance expectations.”

*Mark Grisdale,
Principal, Tompkins High School*



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**KEYS Mentoring
The Mentor Program**

There is PROVEN SUCCESS in KEYS Mentoring

To learn more about the KEYS Mentoring Program and how it has transformed the lives of students, please contact your child's campus counselor or Cydney Wright at CydneyJWright@katyisd.org.

79% of KEYS students decreased absences

88% of KEYS students decreased discipline referrals

88% of KEYS students increased grades



Katy ISD requires all volunteers serving on or off-campus during or after the instructional day to register with the district through its Raptor security system.



Register Here:

KEYS sparks hope and transforms lives one student, one mentor at a time.

Who are KEYS kids?

KEYS students are referred to the KEYS program based on grades, discipline referrals, absences or family circumstances. The student and parents must both agree to program participation.

What is a mentor?

A mentor is someone who understands that the greatest gift any of us can give is our time. Mentors give the time it takes to slowly, gently build a relationship into a friendship.

Steps to become a mentor:

- Review, understand and agree to KEYS program expectations.
- Complete KEYS Mentoring Application and pass required background check.
- Complete the district-required volunteer registration process and create your volunteer profile.
- Complete the KEYS 101 mentor training.
- Commit to mentor your student one hour each week, during regular school hours, for one school year.

**KEYS Mentoring
Application**



Read about KEYS



Who are KEYS campus liaisons?

KEYS liaisons support each unique mentor/student relationship by facilitating their initial connection then serving as a chief advisor and friend.

KEYS Mentor Program expectations:

Katy ISD has procedures in place to ensure compliance with federal, state, local laws and school board policies. These restrictions exist to protect students and the adults who lead them, and prevent any appearance of impropriety on the part of individual KEYS mentors.

- All KEYS mentors must successfully complete Katy ISD's required annual Raptor volunteer registration.
- KEYS mentors should have **no contact** with their mentee outside of Katy ISD staff supervision.
- KEYS mentors should have **no contact** with their mentee's parent or guardian.
- Physical contact between mentor and mentee other than a handshake or pat on the back is prohibited.
- Anything your mentee tells you is confidential unless abuse or illegal activity is involved, then mentors are required by law to immediately notify their KEYS liaison.
- Consult your KEYS campus liaison regarding conversations that make you uncomfortable. Avoid and redirect personal topics.
- KEYS mentors must adhere to all campus and district policies.
- Any gifts must be given of nominal value.