

# Katy Independent School District

# PROFILE

## JAMES E. TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL



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### School FACTS

James E. Taylor High School is a public, four-year secondary school with an enrollment of 2895 in grades nine through twelve. The senior class has 722 students. Taylor is one of eight high schools in the Katy Independent School District.

The teaching faculty has 190 members. The student-teacher ratio is 31:1 for all classes and 29:1 for English, Math, Science and Social Studies classes. The school is accredited by the Texas Education Agency.

The school day consists of seven class periods of approximately 50 minutes.

The school has a very strong academic focus that reflects the interest, involvement, and profile of Taylor's parent, business and community leaders.

### Information Personnel

Principal..... Mr. Chris Morgan  
 10-12th Grade Counselor (A-C)..... Brandye Simper  
 10-12th Grade Counselor (D-H)..... Peggy Cameron  
 10-12th Grade Counselor (I-Mn)..... Carol Cowand  
 10-12th Grade Counselor (Mo-Sd)..... Karmen Mundt  
 10-12th Grade Counselor (Se-Z)..... Beatriz Addison  
 9th Grade Counselor..... Katrina Harwell  
 Registrar (A-L) ..... Camille Roman-Araque  
 Registrar (M-Z) ..... Julee Chang

### The Community

James E. Taylor High School is located 25 miles west of downtown Houston in a suburban area near Katy, Texas, a small town with a population of 17,116. The Katy Independent School District itself encompasses a large area consisting of approximately 76,190 students. The socio-economic level is predominantly middle to upper-middle class.

### Marking System

Numerical	Letter	Grade Points Average	Honors/AP/ Pre AP
90-100	A	4	5
80-89	B	3	4
75-79	C	2	3
70-74	D	1	2
Below 69	F	0	0

Class rank is based on the cumulative grade point average for grades 9-12. A student's grade point average is derived by dividing the total number of grade points by the number of semester courses attempted.

Highest GPA in the Class of 2016: 4.8438 (8 semesters)  
 2017: 4.8378 (8 semesters)  
 2018: 4.8333 (8 semesters)

A full-year, one period course consisting of two semesters is assigned the value of one credit toward the graduation requirements. A one semester course receives one-half credit.

Students are classified by the number of credits they have earned at the beginning of the school year.

Freshman.....	0-5
Sophomores .....	5.5-11.5
Juniors .....	12-18.5
Seniors.....	19-26

### Class of 2018

Students may graduate under the Foundation High School Program & Endorsement. The programs for completing high school graduation requirements are listed below:

Course	Foundation & Endorsement
English Language Arts	4.0
Mathematics	4.0
Science	4.0
Social Studies	3.0
Physical Education	1.0
Health Education	0.5
Language other than English	2.0
Fine Arts	1.0
Speech/Commun.App.	0.5
Electives/ Add'l Components	6.0
<b>Total Program</b>	<b>26.0</b>

## Special Curriculum Features

### Honors Courses Available-Pre AP/Pre AP/GT

English I, II  
 Geometry, Algebra II, Pre-Calculus  
 World History  
 World Geography  
 Biology, Chemistry, Physics  
 French III  
 German III  
 Spanish III  
 Chinese III  
 Japanese III  
 Latin III  
 Humanities  
 Independent English  
 Computer Science III

### H/AP/GT Courses Available

Art History  
 Calculus AB, Calculus BC  
 Chinese Language  
 Computer Science I  
 Computer Science II  
 Design Portfolio  
 English III, IV  
 Environmental Science  
 European History  
 French IV, V  
 German Language  
 Human Geography  
 Japanese Language  
 Macro Economics  
 Music Theory  
 Physics II, Biology II, Chemistry II  
 Probability & Statistics  
 Psychology  
 Spanish IV, V  
 U.S. Government  
 United States History  
 World History

### Dual-credit Courses

English IV (1301, 1302)  
 Government (2301)  
 Economics (2301)

## Further Schooling of Graduates

	4 yr. College	2 yr. College	Voc. Training	Military	Other/ Undec.
Class of 17	66%	29%	1%	2.5%	1.5%
Class of 18	65%	30%	1%	2.0%	2.0%

Website: [www.katyisd.org](http://www.katyisd.org)

## GRADE DISTRIBUTION: Class of '19

4.0-4.9	156 students
3.0-3.9	327 students
2.0-2.9	205 students
1.0-1.9	29 students
Total students	696

## Recent College Admission Test Scores

ACT data - 2018

	English	Math	Reading	Science Reasoning	Composite
Taylor	24.0	25.7	25.4	24.9	25.1
Texas	19.5	20.7	21.0	20.9	20.7
National	20.3	20.7	21.4	21.0	21.0

2018			
SAT	State	Nat.	THS
Mathematics	551	553	597
Reading	560	558	584

## National Merit Scholarship Program

	Semifinalists	Commended Students
2016	16	20
2016	National Hispanic Scholar	8
2017	12	21
2017	National Hispanic Scholar	9
2018	13	21
2018	National Hispanic Scholar	7
2019	7	20
2019	National Hispanic Scholar	5

## STARR End of Course Results

Spring 2018	
English 1	86%
English 2	86%
Algebra 1	91%
Biology	98%
U.S. History	98%



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