

# Newsletter

# Katy ISD Class of 2023



## 2023 LEGACY STADIUM SPRING GRADUATION CEREMONY SCHEDULE

Paetow	Thursday, May 18	8:00 PM
Katy	Friday, May 19	8:00 PM
Taylor	Saturday, May 20	8:00 PM
Mayde Creek	Sunday, May 21	8:00 PM
Cinco Ranch	Monday, May 22	8:00 PM
Morton Ranch	Tuesday, May 23	8:00 PM
Seven Lakes	Wednesday, May 24	8:00 PM
Tompkins	Thursday, May 25	8:00 PM
Jordan	Friday, May 26	8:00 PM

### Legacy Stadium

1830 Katyland Drive  
Katy, TX 77493

Inclement weather makeup  
information will be emailed  
by 4:00 PM on the day of the  
ceremony.



### Legacy Information

Tickets and Parking passes are NOT required to attend  
Legacy Stadium graduation ceremonies.

Parking gates will open at 6:00pm. Graduate assigned  
entrance gates will open at 7:00pm. Guests may enter  
through home and visitor gates at 7:00pm.

### GRADUATION GUIDELINES

Campuses will have specific information and guidelines, to which all students must  
adhere, in order to walk at graduation.

Enter Legacy Stadium through assigned gate. Gate assignments will be given when  
cap and gowns are handed out.

To place an order for the Cap and Gown: <https://www.hjgradcenter.com/>

- Gowns should be ironed for your ceremony.
- Gowns should be carried, not worn into Legacy Stadium.
- Cap and gowns MUST be worn, fully zipped to walk in the graduation ceremony.  
Caps must be worn flat, parallel to the floor. No decorations on caps. Tassel is  
worn on the right side.
- Wear comfortable clothing, you will be outside. Wedge heeled shoes  
acceptable. Spiked heels not recommended on field as the surface is uneven.
- If a student violates discipline or dress code guidelines, the student will not  
participate in graduation ceremonies.
- Cords and cowls are worn during commencement ceremonies to exemplify  
academic excellence.
- Exemplary achievement medals may be worn when approved by the principal.

The following criteria for cords, cowls, and medals have been established:

**CORDS** - High Honor graduates, Honor graduates, graduates completing 60 hours  
of confirmed community service through campus-sponsored service efforts,  
graduates who have earned a cord from a state, national or international  
organization for scholarship, service or leadership as approved by the principal, and  
senior members of the Superintendent's Student Roundtable.

**COWLS** - National Honor Society, senior class officers, valedictorian, and  
salutatorian only.

**MEDALS** - District-awarded medals for students who receive a KISD Award of  
Excellence, medals won for state or national- level awards (principal's approval  
required), or campus-awarded medals for students who have met campus-  
designated requirements (principal's approval required).

### Legacy Guest Guidelines

Guests will enter Legacy Stadium 60 minutes  
prior to the start of the ceremony. At the request  
of the Fire Marshal and Katy ISD Legacy Stadium  
Officials, the following guidelines must be  
followed:

- Spectators will enter through the main gates.
- Graduates will enter through assigned gate.
- Do not block or stand in the aisles or on  
ramps to take pictures.
- Only Katy ISD approved photographers are  
permitted on the field.
- No signs larger than a poster board. No signs  
of any kind can be attached to the railings or  
walls.
- No helium balloons, air horns, and laser  
pointers permitted.
- No glass containers of any kind (including  
vases)
- No outside food/beverages. Concession  
stands will be open.
- The Katy ISD Clear Bag Policy will be  
enforced.

Legacy Clear Bag Policy  
Please scan for details.



# James E. Taylor High School Graduation Newsletter



## Important Dates for the Class of 2023

- APRIL 3 - Prom Ticket Early Sales Open
- APRIL 24-28 - Class Favorites Voting
- APRIL TBD - Powderpuff Football Practices
- APRIL 28 - Powderpuff Football Games
- MAY 3 - Senior Awards Night (by invitation)
- MAY 4 - Senior Sunset
  - Cap and Gown/Cord distribution
- MAY - Elementary & JH Clapouts
  - See Canvas for your school's schedule
- MAY 12 - Senior Aloha Pep Rally
- MAY 13 - Prom at Texas Safari Ranch
- MAY 15-19 - Senior Week
- MAY 16-17 - Senior Honorary Diplomas
- MAY 20 - GRADUATION at Legacy Stadium
- MAY 20 - Project Grad at Main Event

### THS CLASS OF 2023

12th Grade Assistant Principal: GRANT SMITH  
GrantMSmith@katyisd.org

12th Grade Secretary: CINDI ADAMS  
CindiCAdams@katyisd.org



## DIPLOMAS

During the ceremony, students will pick up the diploma cover only. Diplomas will be available for pick-up at a time designated by each individual campus.

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## Texas Education Code

<https://tea.texas.gov/academics/graduation-information/state-graduation-requirements>

## GRADUATION PICTURES

Marc Nathan Photographers will take a picture of each senior as the diploma cover is given. Proofs will be sent to the home address with an order form included.

## PRIVACY CODE INFORMATION- N CODES

To receive graduation information from vendors regarding graduation photos and caps/gowns and the student's name in the graduation program, students with a privacy code of "N" will need to complete and submit a Senior Exception to the Directory Information Code form.

## SENIOR SURVEY

Katy ISD Senior Survey **MUST** be completed through SchoolLinks in MyKatyCloud in order to receive cap and gown and seating assignment. The survey will open after Spring Break.



## FINAL TRANSCRIPT

Final transcript requests need to be completed in SchoolLinks. Colleges and universities require a final transcript. Registrars will send final transcripts the first week of June.

Please e-mail:

[classof23graduation@katyisd.org](mailto:classof23graduation@katyisd.org)

or call:

281-396-7881