



**Course Offerings for Current 7th Graders
KISD 2024-2025**

***Due to your RLA teacher by:
February 8th**

Student Name: Last, First		KISD Student ID	Birth Date:
Parent/Guardian Name: Last, First		Parent/Guardian Email:	
Address: Street		City / Zip	
Parent/Guardian Home Phone:	Parent/Guardian Cell Phone:	Parent/Guardian Work Phone:	

Use this list of courses as a guide to help you select your classes in SchoolLinks. Each student must select one course from each of the required areas: **English, Math, Science, Social Studies and PE**. Students planning for 8th grade will have two elective courses. Students may not receive their first choice elective due to insufficient enrollment in a course, scheduling conflict, or over enrollment in course. Final placement into courses is contingent upon campus approval. GT placement requires the student to have met specific Katy ISD screening criteria.

DIRECTIONS: CIRCLE one course from each of the required areas of **English, Math, Science, Social Studies and PE**. Mark required courses by circling the course number for the course. **IMPORTANT: List Fine Arts/Elective choices in order of preference.** Student and parent signatures confirm that all course guidelines have been reviewed and course selections have been made based on the student's individual strengths, interests and commitment.

REQUIRED COURSES - 8th Grade	
ENGLISH	
J802	English 8
J806	English 8 KAP
G806	English 8 KAP/GT*
MATH	
J811	Math 8
J0211	Algebra I
G0214	Algebra I GT*
SCIENCE	
J830	Science 8
J833	Science 8 KAP
G833	Science 8 KAP/GT*
SOCIAL STUDIES	
J820	Social Studies 8
J824	Social Studies 8 KAP
G824	Social Studies 8 KAP/GT*
PHYSICAL EDUCATION	
J885	Athletics 8 - Boys
J886	Athletics 8 - Girls
J880	PE 8 - Boys
J881	PE 8 - Girls
J887	PE Dance 8

* GT course placement requires the student to meet specific Katy ISD screening criteria.

**PLEASE LIST FOUR ELECTIVE CHOICES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE-
LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE IN SOME COURSES**

1. _____ (first choice)

2. _____ (second choice)

3. _____ (third choice)

4. _____ (fourth choice)

**Please be advised that scheduling conflicts may prevent your student from getting his/her first elective choice. Please list alternative choices.

Strategic Reading and Math Lab are intervention courses that may be required for students who did not pass the STAAR and/or based upon documented reading and/or math levels. These courses will take the place of the student's PE or Elective.

ELECTIVE COURSES	
FINE ARTS	
<i>One year of junior high Fine Arts is required for all students. ALL Fine Arts placement is based on Director approval</i>	
J911	Art 1 (1st year)
J912	Art 2 (2nd year)
J913	Art 3 (3rd year)
J7511	Art I (high school credit)
J921	Band 1 (1st year)
J922	Band 2 (2nd year)
J923	Band 3 (3rd year)
J931	Orchestra 1 (1st year)
J932	Orchestra 2 (2nd year)
J933	Orchestra 3 (3rd year)
J941	Theatre 1 (1st year)
J942	Theatre 2 (2nd year)
J943	Theatre 3 (3rd year)
J951	Choir 1 - Boys (1st year)
J952	Choir 2 - Boys (2nd year)
J953	Choir 3 - Boys (3rd year)
J961	Choir 1 - Girls (1st year)
J962	Choir 2 - Girls (2nd year)
J963	Choir 3 - Girls (3rd year)

WORLD LANGUAGES	
<i>All World Languages are for high school credit</i>	
J6319	Spanish I
J6361	Spanish for Spanish Speakers I (fall)
J6362	Spanish for Spanish Speakers II (spring)

CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY ELECTIVE COURSES	
J8353	Principles of Human Services (high school credit)
J8616	Principles of Applied Engineering (high school credit)
J8043	Principles of Manufacturing (high school credit)
J8601	Business Information Mgmt (high school credit)
J0072	Career Launchpad (high school credit)
J8037	Principles of Arts, A/V Tech & Com (high school credit)

OTHER ELECTIVE COURSES	
J999	Leadworthy
J300	Student Aide (Application Required) *turn in to counselor's office
J755	Publications 1
J855	Publications 2 (Application Required) *turn in to Ms. Classen Rm. 714

Student and parent signatures are required as confirmation that all course guidelines and course selections have been reviewed.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Course selection for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year has begun. Important dates for course selection are listed below:

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| February 5 – February 19, 2024 | Students select courses in SchoolLinks using Course Planner |
| February 12 – February 23, 2024 | Counselors meet with students individually to review course requests |
| February 19, 2024 @ 11:59 pm | Course Planner becomes “viewable only” in SchoolLinks Course |
| March 18 – March 26, 2024 | Verification – Parents verify courses and request course changes |

Students received information about all required and elective courses that are available to them for the next school year. Now students need to make informed choices about courses that will best meet his or her educational needs.

There are different formats for the core courses from which to choose:

- **Academic** - on grade level and designed to prepare students for high school and college
- **KAP (Katy Advanced Placement)** - prepare students for Advanced Placement courses (college level instruction) while in high school
- **KAP/G/T (Gifted and Talented)** - placement requires the student to have met specific KISD screening criteria and have been accepted into the G/T program

Katy ISD has an open enrollment policy for advanced academics. Early enrollment in these courses contributes to student achievement in later years. KAP courses are designed to challenge students beyond grade-level academic courses and prepare them for success in future advanced level coursework. Students may require encouragement and support from both family and campus to be successful in advanced academics. Please review your child’s report card and test scores in making course level decisions. Please note that students often enrolling a combination of course formats. Consider each course separately when deciding to select Academic or KAP.

If your student changes his/her mind about course selections after January 31, your child will have an opportunity to request changes to their selections during Course Verification during the week of March 18-26, 2024.

Thank you for your careful consideration of courses for your child.

After completing the worksheet, please see the next steps on how to enter courses in Course Planner in SchoolLinks.



Directions for entering course requests in SchoolLinks



KISD Course catalog - view to read course descriptions

Katy ISD Policy for Dropping High School Credit Courses

- End of 1st Six Weeks: Any student with a failing grade will automatically be removed from the HS credit class & the grade **WILL NOT** be recorded on the HS transcript/GPA.
 - The **ONLY** time a student can request to exit a HS credit course is during the 1st six weeks!
- End of the 2nd Six Weeks: Any student with a failing grade will automatically be removed from the HS credit class & the grade **WILL NOT** be recorded on the HS transcript/GPA.
 - **This is the last time an automatic drop will occur until the end of the 1st semester.**
- 3rd Six Weeks: Any student that is failing during this time will remain in the class until the end of the semester. The teacher will work with the student to bring their grade up.
- End of 1st Semester: Any student that ends the 1st semester with a failing grade will be removed from the class. The grade **WILL BE** recorded on the HS transcript/GPA.
- **NO drops will occur any time during the 2nd semester!**