



**Course Offerings for Current 6th Graders/Incoming 7th  
Beckendorff Junior High School 2024-2025**

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 7th grade will select one elective course and students planning for 8th grade will select two elective courses. \*7th grade students who qualify for **GT in ELA** will select two elective courses and have no reading course. 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.

**REQUIRED COURSES - 7th Grade**

**ENGLISH AND READING**

- J706** English Language Arts and Reading Block 7
- J726** English Language Arts and Reading Block 7 KAP
- G726** English Language Arts and Reading 7 GT\* Block 7 KAP/GT

**MATH**

- J711** Math 7
- J714** Math 7 KAP
- G714** Math 7 KAP/GT\*

**SCIENCE**

- J730** Science 7
- J734** Science 7 KAP
- G734** Science 7 KAP/GT\*

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

- J720** Social Studies 7
- J724** Social Studies 7 KAP
- G724** Social Studies 7 KAP/GT\*

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

- J780** PE 7 - Boys
- J781** PE 7 - Girls

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

**ELECTIVE COURSES**

**FINE ARTS**

*One year of junior high Fine Arts is required for all students. ALL Fine Art Placement is based on Director Approval*

- J911** Art 1
- J912** Art 2
- J921** Band 1 (6,7,8)
- J922** Band 2 (7,8)
- J931** Orchestra 1 (6,7,8)
- J932** Orchestra 2 (7,8)
- J941** Theatre 1 (6,7,8)
- J942** Theatre 2 (7, 8)
- J951** Choir 1 - Boys (6,7,8)
- J952** Choir 2 - Boys (7,8)
- J961** Choir 1 - Girls (6,7,8)
- J962** Choir 2 - Girls (7,8)

**CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY ELECTIVE COURSES**

- J8061** Business Information Management (high school credit)
- J0072** Career Launchpad (high school credit)

**OTHER ELECTIVE COURSES**

- J999** LeadWorthy (7,8)
- J755** Publications 1 (7)

*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.*



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

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

**February 5-19, 2024:** Students select courses in SchoolLinks using Course Planner

**February 19, 2024 @ 11:59 PM:** Course Planner becomes "viewable only" in SchoolLinks

**February 12 - March 8, 2024:** Counselors meet with students individually to review course requests

**March 18- March 26, 2024:** Course Verification - Parents verify courses and request course changes in SchoolLinks

Students received information about all of the required and elective courses that are available to them for next school year. Now students need to make informed choices about courses that will 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 February 19, your child will have an opportunity to request changes to their selections during their individual meeting with their counselor or Course Verification during the week of March 18-26, 2024.

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

Please see the next steps on how to enter courses in Course Planner in SchoolLinks.



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