



Course Offerings for Current 7th Graders/Incoming 8th

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 8th grade will select 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.

REQUIRED COURSES - 8th Grade	
ENGLISH	
J802	English 8
J806	English 8 KAP
G806	English 8 GT*
MATH	
J811	Math 8
J0211	Algebra I
G0214	Algebra I GT*
SCIENCE	
J830	Science 8
J834	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	
J880	PE 8 - Boys
J881	PE 8 - Girls
* GT course placement requires the student to meet specific Katy ISD screening criteria.	

ELECTIVE COURSES	
FINE ARTS	
<i>One year of junior high Fine Arts is required for all students. ALL Fine Art Placement is based on Director Approval</i>	
J911	Art 1
J912	Art 2
J7511	Art 1 (high school credit)
J921	Band 1
J922	Band 2
J923	Band 3
J931	Orchestra 1
J932	Orchestra 2
J933	Orchestra 3
J941	Theatre 1
J942	Theatre 2
J951	Choir 1 - Boys
J952	Choir 2 - Boys
J953	Choir 3 - Boys
J961	Choir 1 - Girls
J962	Choir 2 - Girls
J963	Choir 3 - Girls
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)
J8644	Principles of Info Tech (high school credit)
J8037	Principles of Arts, A/V Tech & Communications (high school credit)
J8601	Business Information Management (high school credit)
J0072	Career Launchpad (high school credit)
OTHER ELECTIVE COURSES	
J999	LeadWorthy
J998	Peer Assistance Leadership (application required)
J755	Publications 1 (application required)
J855	Publications 2 (application required)
J300	Student Aide (application required)

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.



Directions for entering course requests in Schoollinks



KISD Course Catalog- View to read course descriptions