

Seven Lakes High School



Welcome to the
Class of 2029
Parent Night!





Mrs. Kerri Finnesand
SLHS Principal



Class of 2029 Remind



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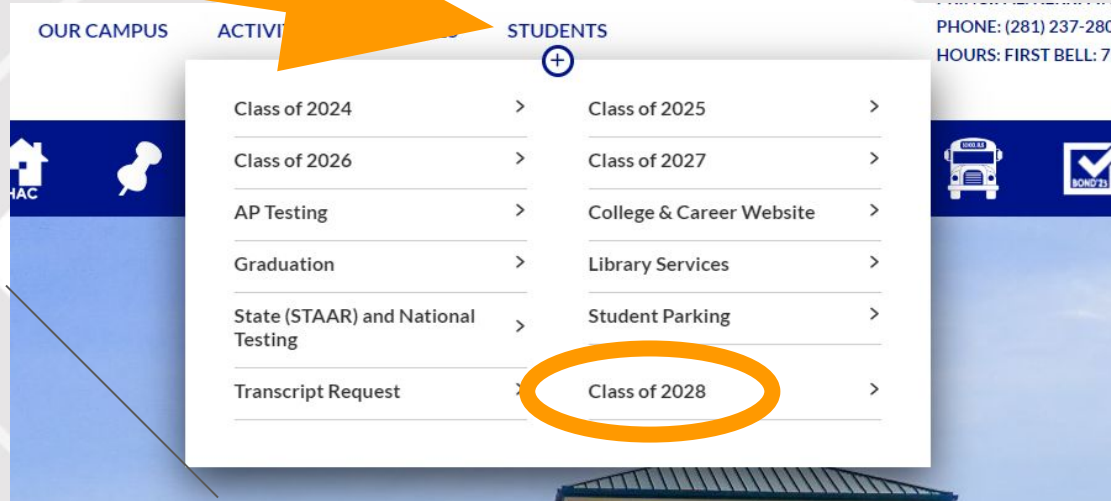
Tonight's Schedule



- 6:00: Peruse sampling of **Clubs & Activities** at SLHS
- 6:30 Welcome to Seven Lakes and Learn about the SLHS experience
 - Learn about the upcoming **course selection process** and tips to help your incoming 9th grader make course choices
 - Learn about the **KAP and AP Programs** at SLHS



Tonight's Slides



A screenshot of a school website navigation menu. The menu is titled "STUDENTS" and is expanded to show a list of links. The link "Class of 2028" is circled in orange. A large orange arrow points from the text "Tonight's Slides" to the "STUDENTS" menu. The background of the screenshot shows a blue header with navigation tabs: "OUR CAMPUS", "ACTIVITIES", "STUDENTS", and "COMMUNITY". The "STUDENTS" tab is active, indicated by a plus sign icon. The list of links includes: "Class of 2024", "Class of 2025", "Class of 2026", "Class of 2027", "Class of 2028", "AP Testing", "College & Career Website", "Graduation", "Library Services", "State (STAAR) and National Testing", "Student Parking", and "Transcript Request".

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Celebrating our Success!



- Seven Lakes High School has been ranked in the Top 10 of Texas Public High Schools the past two years and is ranked as the #3 Public High School in Houston in 2024.
- We have recently been ranked as a top 1% school in the U.S. by the U.S. News and World Report rankings (97.99/100 scorecard rating)



We are very proud of our kids, our teachers, and our families who make this happen!





Celebrating our Success!

- **#1** High School in **Katy ISD** (State Rankings)
- **#3** Public High School in **Houston Area** (Niche)
- **#1** Public High School in **Fort Bend County** (Niche)
- **TEA** Rating of **"A"** (97 scale score) for 2021-2022 (*2022-2023 TEA scores have not been officially released)

A+

Overall Niche Grade

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Academic Honors and Recognitions



- 2024: #2 UIL 6A Lone Star Cup Ranking
- 2024 Niche #10 Public High School in the STATE of TEXAS
- 2023: 5th in the State for Culminating UIL Accomplishments
- 2023: 1 of 3 high schools in the Nation with 4 or more appointments to West Point
- We have earned multiple UIL Academic State Championships.
- National and State Finalists in:
 - Science Olympiad, Academic Decathlon, and Speech & Debate
- Consistently, the **most** National Merit Semifinalists in Katy ISD





Fine Arts Honors and Recognitions



- 2018-2024: Spartan Marching Band is the only Katy ISD band to advance to the State Marching Championships every year since 2018; This year, SLHS band made finals at the State Marching Championship- a first for SLHS and KISD.
- Spartan Marching Band 6 time consecutive Katy Cup Grand Champions
- 2020: Marching Band #9 and State Finalist in Texas UIL 6A State Marching Band Competition
- 2021-2022: Regional Runner-ups for UIL One Act Play; Top in the nation for technical theatre designers; top in the state in acting and technical theatre for International Thespian Society
- 2024: TMEA Strings Orchestra State Champions; 2023 American Prize in Music (National Winners)
- 2019 ALL 6 Choirs earned Sweepstakes at UIL Concert and Sight Reading
- 2024: SLHS Band was awarded the John Philip Sousa Foundation Sudler Shield Award for Marching Excellence





Athletics Honors and Recognitions



- 2023 & 2024: 6A Boys' Soccer State Champions
- 2022: 6A Boys' Soccer 3rd in State
- 2021, 2022: 6A State Cheerleading Champions
- 2025: 2nd place State Cheerleading Champions
- 2021: 6A Track 3rd in State
- 2020: 6A State Volleyball Champions
- 2020, 2021: 6A Football Playoff Qualifier
- 2023: 6A State Golf Gold Medalist
- 2024: 6A State Tennis Gold Medalist
- 2024 McDonald's All American Girls Basketball Finalist

District Championship Programs

Swimming and Diving

Girls and Boys Soccer

Girls and Boys Basketball

Baseball and Softball

Wrestling: 48 State Qualifier and 4 Individual State Champs





What is a well-rounded SLHS Student?



What do you offer a college or university besides a GPA?

Have you shown a commitment to a club, organization, fine art or sport?

GPA is important, but not the only thing!





Let's get involved!



Research shows that students who are involved in school activities perform better in school, perform better on the SAT and ACT, and learn valuable skills that will be used later in life.

Seven Lakes offers 100+ clubs and organizations that allow your child to get involved.





Spartan Spirit!





Important Dates TBA



Class of 2029 Fish Camp (Tentative-Aug. 6, 2025)

- Meet new friends
- Tour the school
- Learn Spartan traditions

Spartan Spectacular (Tentative-Aug. 11, 2025)

- Get your class schedule
- Learn about clubs and organizations
- Buy your HIGH SCHOOL spirit wear
- See your friends
- Meet your teachers





Mrs. Denise Ward
Mrs. Natalie Jones
Counselors

Course Selection Information





Counseling Staff



Last Names	Counselor
A - Be	Denise Ward (Lead)
Bh-Duo	Kristina Fisher
Dup - Hur	Christine Williamson
Hus - Mal	Natalie Jones
Mam - Pe	Shannon Petersen
Pf - Sp	Janie Bazargani
Sr - Z	Tiffany Jenkins

**College & Career
Facilitator:
Hiring**





Foundation High School Program + Endorsement



- **English – 4 credits**
English I, II, III, and an additional/advanced English
- **Math – 4 credits**
Algebra I, Geometry, and 2 additional/advanced maths
- **Science – 4 credits**
Biology, and either Chemistry, or Physics, and 2 additional/advanced sciences
- **Social Studies – 3 credits**
US History, 0.5 credit Government, 0.5 credit Economics, and either World History or World Geography
- **LOTE – 2 credits**
Credits must be in the same language
- **Fine Arts – 1 credit**
- **Electives – 6.5 credits**
- **Endorsement:**
Students are expected to earn an endorsement in one of 5 areas. Each endorsement requires electives related to the endorsement

Total of 26 credits





Endorsements

- **STEM**
- **Business and Industry**
- **Public Services**
- **Arts and Humanities**
- **Multidisciplinary**
 - *Endorsements should be chosen based upon your interest, career goals, strengths*
 - *You will select classes base on that chosen endorsement*
 - *Endorsements will be reviewed each year as classes and interests change*





Algebra 2 Notice



**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

Algebra II is not specified as a graduation requirement; however, students who do not earn Algebra II credit are not eligible for:

- Earning the Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA), which requires completion of an endorsement with Algebra II among the four math credits,
- Recognition as an honors or high honors graduate,
- Automatic admission to a state public college or university, and
- Certain financial aid opportunities, including the TEXAS grant or the Texas Educational Opportunity Grant.

Senate Bill 232





Distinguished Level of Academic Achievement (DLA)



The Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA) is earned through successful completion of:

- All requirements for the Foundation High School Program, plus
- The requirements of at least one endorsement, including
 - Algebra II among the four required math credits, and
 - A fourth science credit

A student must graduate with a Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA) to be considered for the Top 10% and eligibility for automatic admission to a Texas public college or university.





Top 10% Rule

A student whose class rank* is in the top 10 percent of the graduating class may be eligible for automatic admission consideration at a Texas public college or university. UT will be top 5%.

**Class rank must be based on the student's rank at the end of the 11th grade, middle of 12th grade, or at high school graduation, whichever is most recent at the college or university's application deadline.*





Top 10% Rule



Requirements to qualify for automatic admission consideration:

- Complete the FHSP + Endorsement, including the Distinguished Level of Achievement,
- Earn a satisfactory ACT or SAT score,
- Submit the application before the college or university's deadline, and
- Provide a final high school transcript verifying completion of the FHSP + Endorsement, including the Distinguished Level of Achievement.





GPA and Semester Grades

Course	90-100 A	80-89 B	70-79 C	69 and Below F
Advanced	5	4	3	0
Dual Credit	4.5	3.5	2.5	0
Academic	4	3	2	0

- Credits are earned at the **semester**.
- The **semester averages** are recorded on the transcript.
 - Semester Average = Average of 3 Report Card grades (85%)
+ Final Exam (15%)
- GPA is calculated using **semester averages**.





High School Course Selection



- SLHS Counselors presented at BDJH and SLJH last week.
- Students will receive a Course Offerings Sheet and a Course Request Worksheet from the junior high counselors.
- Students will input their 9th grade courses in SchoolLinks Course Planner and meet with their counselor for individual meetings.
- Students will also be required to complete a 4-year plan in Schoolinks. This is a rough draft of your student's plan and will be reviewed each year for changes during course selection. This is for you.
- **Counselors will focus on next year's 9th grade courses which will be completed on the Course Request Worksheet. The Course Request Worksheet must be turned in to your counselor with parent signature.**
- SLHS Course Selection Website will be sent in eNews (also at JHs)
 - Many helpful links
 - Directions for SchoolLinks with video





Choosing Courses for Next Year

- The course catalog will be available to view in SchooLinks.
- Course descriptions & prerequisites are outlined in the SchooLinks course catalog.
- ***Every student will meet with their JH school counselor to review course plans and finalize course requests.***
 - ***BDJH starts February***
 - ***SLJH starts February***





Social Studies Options for Incoming 9th Grade Students



- Academic World Geography
 - also offered in summer school
- KAP World Geography
 - also offered in summer school
- AP Human Geography and AP Human Geography GT
 - not available to incoming 9th graders in summer school



**Exits from AP Human Geo course into Academic World Geo course can only be done prior to the first 10 days of school. Otherwise, students will have to petition to exit with a 75 or lower or stay in until the end of the semester.

**AP Human Geography is considered an advanced course and cannot be dropped to KAP World Geography.

** If Academic or KAP World Geo is taken in the summer there will be no social studies course to take during the 9th grade year**





Class of 2029 UPDATES



Off Campus PE

Beginning with the class of 2029, all off campus PE credits will be calculated into the student's GPA on a 4.0 scale.

SPEECH

Beginning with the class of 2029, the speech requirement will be embedded within English courses.

A stand alone "speech" class is no longer required, however it is still recommended.

HEALTH

Beginning with the class of 2029, the Katy ISD has updated the health requirement.

A stand alone "health" class is no longer required, however it is still recommended..





Class of 2029 Virtual Courses



- Incoming 9th graders have the opportunity to select up to one virtual class to be taken during the instructional day in a study hall class.
- Virtual classes are highly **discouraged** for 9th graders.
 - Universities expect a full schedule of courses taken on campus, not virtually.
 - These classes are taught asynchronously by a SLHS teacher
 - Students requesting these courses must have completed 2 credits upon exiting junior high.
- All virtual courses must be requested during the course selection window.
- You will not be permitted to add any virtual courses after verification.
- All virtual course requests will be reviewed by your counselor.





Alternate Electives



- Choose **3 alternate courses** in case a course selected is unavailable. Counselors do their best to ensure students get into their first choice for electives, but course selection requests cannot be guaranteed due to class size limitation.
- **Choose wisely** as staffing is determined by the course selections.
- Students will be held responsible for their course selections **and no elective changes will be allowed.**





Course Verification



- Students will verify their course selections and endorsement starting March 19th. Instructions will be emailed out to parents and students by your JH counselor.
- Review all requests and the endorsement for accuracy.
- Make any changes for your 9th grade courses during this time.
- Alternate choices should be listed **in order of preference**.
- Course request verification does not guarantee that a student will get their first choice elective.

No course changes will be accepted after verification.





Course Verification & Schedule Changes

- Course availability is determined by students' course selections.
- Course verification is the time to make changes to the course requests.
- Following course selection verification selections, schedule changes for the 2025-2026 school year will be allowed only in the following cases:
 1. Student has not met course prerequisites;
 2. Student has already earned credit for the course;
 3. Change in program (athletics, fine arts, etc.);
 4. Level changes as recommended by the teacher and counselor, with parent and grade level administrator approval within established deadlines; (AP Human→Aca World Geo)
 5. Student did not meet standard on STAAR/EOC exam.



Please make selections carefully.

NO elective changes will be honored after course verification closes.





Miller Career & Technology Center



Miller Career & Technology Center is a central site for innovative CTE courses not available at the home campuses. Katy ISD high school students are provided opportunities to explore potential post-secondary options and career experiences.

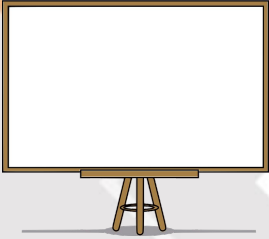
- Miller JH Student Preview Night- January 27th 6:00-7:30 pm
- Miller HS Student Preview Night- February 24th 6:00-7:30 pm

MCTC website is linked on the Course Selection Website.





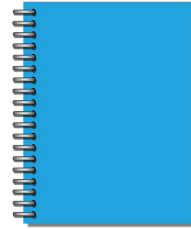
Course Selection Step by Step



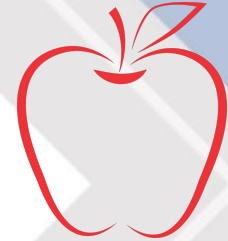
View the [SchoolLinks Instruction Video](#) or [SchoolLinks Instruction Guide](#) for directions on how to input your course selections in SchoolLinks.



Refer to the Course Catalog in SchoolLinks for class descriptions.



Refer to [Current 8th Grade Course Offerings Worksheet](#) for classes offered at Seven Lakes High School and [Course Request Worksheet](#) to complete when choosing courses.



Choose your classes and enter them in Course Planner in SchoolLinks between February 3rd and February 19th.





Thank you!

**Please contact your child's
8th grade counselor for
questions concerning
course selection.**





Mrs. Carrie Caruso Associate Principal

Advanced Academics Information



Class of 2029 Remind



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SLHS Mission

Seven Lakes High School is committed to creating a positive atmosphere that empowers students to develop strong **character**, achieve **excellence**, serve the community, and become **lifelong learners** in a diverse world.





SLHS Academic, KAP, and AP Level



Academic Classes v. Katy Advanced Program (KAP)

The curricula for both **KAP** and **Academic** courses are built on the core academic curriculum following the Texas Education Agency guidelines for each course, called the TEKS, or Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills.

KAP lessons are modified further by adding **depth, complexity,** and **pacing** to concepts required by the TEKS and aligned to skills required by College Board.

In Academic courses, teachers tend to provide more direct instruction and in KAP the teacher begins his/her role as a facilitator of learning preparing self-motivated students to take on AP level courses as prescribed by College Board.



Students who experience success in KAP courses typically exhibit the following personal and academic characteristics:

Personal Characteristics

- Reading on or above grade level
- Strong study skills and self-motivation
- Proficient oral and written communication skills
- Self-discipline to plan, organize, and carry out tasks to completion
- Interest and self-directedness in a particular subject

Academic Characteristics

- Successful completion of prerequisite coursework
- Grade of 90 or higher in an Academic (or general education) class. At least 80% or higher in a KAP class.
- Successful performance in related content area courses
- Scores at the advanced level on the most recent state assessment closely related to the KAP course being considered



SLHS Academic, KAP, and AP Level



Advanced Placement (AP)

The **AP Program** allows high school students to undertake college-level academic learning and gives them the opportunity to show that they have mastered the advanced material by taking the AP Exam associated with the course.

AP courses equate to a first year college level course; therefore, students may earn college credit for the course. (9th Grade AP Human Geography or AP Computer Science)

Although AP courses are open to all students, these make substantial academic demands on students. Students who choose to enroll should be prepared for the increased academic rigorous college level instruction, which prepares them for the AP exam (May) associated with the course.



Should my child take as many KAP/AP classes as possible in high school?



While a challenging course load looks attractive on the high school transcript for college admissions, it is possible to go overboard. The stress of loading up on too many AP courses at once may have **adverse effects on a student's mental and physical health.**

The time put into studying for multiple AP courses may also detract from other activities that are more likely to make the student stand out from the crowd.

When selecting classes, your child should favor those in which he or she is likely to learn the most, **follow a passion**, build critical and creative thinking skills, or go in-depth in a particular subject. Encourage your child to ask the teacher- or students who have taken the course- what it will cover and how it will be taught.



Practical Advice for Decision-Making: How rigorous are AP classes?



AP classes shouldn't be taken lightly- they're meant to simulate college courses in their depth and volume of study. Homework and testing are rigorous, and your student is given more autonomy than in traditional high school classes. Advanced placement courses are college level classes and might not be for everyone.

A low grade in an AP class does not benefit your child. If your child is not yet ready for more rigorous coursework and independence, then it's better to skip the AP classes and focus on being successful in academic high school classes.

AP Courses Offered at SLHS

Arts	English	Social Studies	STEM	World Languages	Electives
Art History	Language & Composition	Human Geography	Biology	Chinese	Seminar
Music Theory	Literature & Composition	Macroeconomics	Chemistry	French	Research
Studio Art 2D		Microeconomics	Environmental Science	German	
Studio Art 3D Design		Government	Physics 1	Spanish Language	
Drawing		US History	Physics 2	Spanish Literature	
		European History	Calculus AB		
	World History	Calculus BC			
	Psychology	Statistics			
			Computer Science Principles		
			Computer Science A		

GPA Weighted Courses

Course	A 90-100	B 80-89	C 70-79	69 and Below
KAP / AP	5.0	4.0	3.0	0
Dual Credit	4.5	3.5	2.5	0
Academic	4.0	3.0	2.0	0



Mr. Robert Little
KAP Geometry Teacher





KAP / AP Math Sequence



Levels in Math	Freshmen	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Academic	-Algebra 1 -Geometry	-Geometry -Algebra 2	-Algebra 2 -Pre-Calculus -Algebraic Reasoning	-Pre-Calculus -Algebra 2
KAP	-KAP Geometry -KAP Algebra 2	-KAP Geometry -KAP Algebra 2 -KAP Pre-Calculus	-KAP Algebra 2 -KAP Pre-Calculus	-KAP Pre-Calculus
AP	--	--	-AP Statistics -AP Calculus AB -AP Calculus BC	-AP Statistics -AP Calculus AB -AP Calculus BC -AP Multivariable Calculus



KAP Geometry- What to expect?

Goal: Cultivate lifelong learners who are willing to **struggle** productively, **think critically**, and **make mistakes!**



Geometry KAP is DEPENDENT ON Alg. I...

- It is highly recommended that only students with an A in Algebra register for KAP Geometry.
- Skills learned in Algebra I will be applied to shapes and figures
 - Finding and interpreting slope, distance, midpoint, and solutions
 - Assessing the reasonableness of answers
 - Graphing linear equations, shapes, and their transformations
- The main *difference* is students will now have to use reading comprehension and written expression skills like in an English class
 - Reviewing definitions, rules, formulas, and diagrams

Geometry KAP is NOT the same as Academic Geometry...

Calculus is the end-goal, meaning we will be vertically aligning curriculum to ensure students arrive in Algebra 2 KAP with the skills they need to be successful.

The “profile” of a successful Geometry KAP student is one that can...

- Study regularly
- Manage their time
- Ask questions (of teacher AND peers)
- Problem-solve
- Justify their work
- Explain their thinking to others
- Complete homework/practice
- Find outside resources
- Attend tutorials
- Utilize Canvas
- Use technology appropriately
- Access prior knowledge



Ms. Stephanie Headley
KAP Biology Teacher





KAP / AP Science Sequence



Levels in Science	Freshmen	Sophomore	Junior / Senior
Academic	-Biology	-Chemistry	-Physics -Environmental Systems -Earth & Space Science -Aquatic Science -Anatomy & Physiology -Forensic Science
KAP	-KAP Biology	-KAP Chemistry	
AP	--	--	-AP Physics 1 -AP Physics 2 -AP Biology -AP Chemistry -AP Environmental Science

How is KAP Biology different than Academic Biology?

In KAP Biology:

- Students learn concepts at a faster pace with a depth of understanding to prepare for AP Biology.
- Students are expected to complete homework and review notes **daily** outside of class.

How can my child be successful in KAP Biology?

- Using a planner to organize and keep track of homework, quizzes and tests (Time management is very important !)
- Attending enrichment and tutorials to ask questions and review difficult concepts

What are some benefits of taking KAP Biology?

- A step towards being prepared to take AP Biology (college-level course)
- The course will challenge and help shape a student's time management and critical thinking skills to prepare them for more advanced science courses at Seven Lakes

Should my child take KAP Biology if he/she didn't take KAP science in junior high?

*If a student didn't take KAP classes in junior high, then he/she can still do well in KAP Biology, if he or she is willing to put in the work.

Words of wisdom from students in KAP Biology:

- “Just try your best and don't worry so much. Study hard and work hard. Ask for help if you need it. Go to tutorials with other teachers too. Sometimes it helps to hear it from someone else.”
- “If you enjoy the subject and are good at managing your time, then taking this class is definitely a good choice.”
- “...It's a lot of material to take all [advanced] classes, so it's important to know where your classes are taking you and what benefits you will truly receive from taking [an advanced] course.”



Mr. Scott Kenney
AP Human Geography Teacher



KAP / AP Social Studies Sequence

Levels in SS	Freshmen	Sophomore	Junior	Senior	Elective
Academic	-World Geography	-World History	-US History	-Government -Economics	-Psychology -Sociology -WWII -African American Studies -Mexican American Studies
KAP	-KAP World Geography	-KAP World History	--	--	
AP	AP Human Geography (full year) *This is the only option for GT students.	-AP World History	-AP US History	-AP Government -AP Macroeconomics -AP Microeconomics	-AP European History -AP Psychology (full year) -AP Comparative Government

KAP World Geography

- Regionally based
- Physical and Human Geography
- Deeper than Acad but not as deep as APHUG
- Document Based Questions (DBQs)
- No AP Exam
- Solid intro into skill development for future AP classes

AP Human Geography

- Thematically based
- Human Geography only
- Deepest level of knowledge
- Free Response Questions (FRQs)
- Earn College Credit by scoring 3 or higher
- Stronger intro/transition into AP classes

Both

- Readings are completed at home with learning reinforced in the classroom.
- homework daily
- Timed conditions for assessments
- Writing based questions on assessments
- Work at a fast pace
- Student-centered

Who should consider KAP World Geography?

- Students who excelled in history classes and wish to develop skills before attempting an AP course
- Students who are **self motivated**
- Students who can **manage time** effectively
- Students who enjoy learning about world cultures, current events, & world news
- Students who are interested in improving **analytical & writing skills**

Who should consider AP Human Geography?

- GT Students who wish to keep their GT distinction in Social Studies
- Students who wish to earn college credit
- KAP students who excelled in history classes
- Students who are **highly** self motivated & can manage time effectively
- Students who want to build a **strong AP foundation**
- Students who enjoy learning about **all aspects of the world**
- Students who are interested in current events, world news, and the “**why of where**”

How is AP / KAP Geography different from Academic Geography?

In AP/KAP World Geography:

- Selections of readings are completed at home and learning is reinforced in the classroom.
- Students will have homework daily
- Students will work under timed conditions for assessments
- Students will have writing based questions on their assessments (DBQs)
- Students will work at a fast pace
- Student-centered based & depth of analysis

In Academic World Geography:

- The majority of learning is done in the classroom, and homework acts as an reinforcement
- Students will have homework when work in the classroom was not completed
- Students will cover the same material as KAP World Geography, but work at a slower pace
- More activity-based

What can potentially prevent my child from doing well in KAP / AP Geography?

- Not completing textbook readings and notes for homework
- Not managing time properly and keeping up with upcoming tests and quizzes
- Not willing to put in extra time and work outside of the classroom

What are some benefits of taking AP Human Geography?

- Hands on learning & real world applications (GIS, Gapminder, Atlas of Eco Comp)
- Get college credit by scoring 3 or higher on the AP Exam
- Great preparation for other AP courses
- Cross disciplinary connections- Environmental Science, US or world history, economics, government, etc
- Great resume builder
- Issues of pressing interest and relevance
- Real world studies in a variety of fields
- Grow to think critically and discuss with confidence, claims made in the media about issues related to migration, economic development, geopolitics, agricultural practices, urbanization, and industry

Year	SLHS	TX	Global	SLHS	TX	Global	SLHS	TX	Global
2012	4.054	Average Scores at the SLHS, state, and global scales		94.6	% of students that scored a 3 or higher at SLHs, state, and global scales		56	Total Students taking the AP Exam at the SLHS, state and global scales. 2018 is the first year Katy ISD offered AP Human Geo to freshmen.	
2013	4.250			94.2			52		
2014	4.060			90.0			67		
2015	4.377			92.5			53		
2016	4.459			98.6			74		
2017	4.214			97.2			70		
2018	4.27	2.42	2.72	95.1	44.8	54.4	203	42,028	218,570
2019	4.61	2.24	2.55	96.2	39.1	49.2	105	46,199	227,876
2020	3.90	2.43	2.75	91.3	48.7	59.0	115	44,505	220,176
2021	4.62	2.33	2.69	98.3	40.9	52.5	175	47,604	212,352
2022	4.49	2.36	2.70	95.6	42.2	53.2	91	52,890	223,020

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STUDENTS TAKING EXAM 2023

YOUR GROUP	SCHOOL	TX	GLOBAL
68	157	60,255	248,532

MEAN SCORE

YOUR GROUP	SCHOOL	TX	GLOBAL
4.62	4.61	2.38	2.75

% SCORES 3 OR HIGHER

YOUR GROUP	SCHOOL	TX	GLOBAL
98.5%	98.1%	42.5%	54.4%

STUDENTS TAKING EXAM 2024

YOUR GROUP	SCHOOL	TX	GLOBAL
63	166	63,478	263,042

MEAN SCORE

YOUR GROUP	SCHOOL	TX	GLOBAL
4.68	4.43	2.42	2.83

% SCORES 3 OR HIGHER

YOUR GROUP	SCHOOL	TX	GLOBAL
98.4%	97.0%	43.4%	56.1%

2020	3.90	2.45	2.75	91.5	48.7	59.0	115	44,505	220,170
2021	4.62	2.33	2.69	98.3	40.9	52.5	175	47,604	212,352
2022	4.49	2.36	2.70	95.6	42.2	53.2	91	52,890	223,020



Ms. Emilee Nichols
KAP English Teacher





KAP / AP English Sequence



Levels in ELA	Freshmen	Sophomore	Junior	Senior
Academic	-English I	-English II	-English III	-English IV
KAP	-KAP English I	-KAP English II	--	--
AP	--	--	-AP Language & Composition	-AP Literature & Composition

KAP / AP English- How is it different from junior high?

Expository and Argumentative Essay Writing

One of the largest academic leaps students make into our course is writing one-page expository and argumentative essays in a timed setting. Students spend the most time in tutorials practicing and honing their writing skills as this is often the skill they have developed least to this point in their educational career.

Novels with Literary Merit

In order to strengthen our students' understanding of text analysis, our classes put focus on evaluating significant pieces of critically acclaimed literature (L. Hansberry, Shakespeare, Harper Lee, G. Orwell) with regards to their themes and application to the social issues contemporary to their contexts. This will help develop stronger close reading skills, critical thinking skills, and develop a stronger lexicon.

Whole Class Discussion

Our whole-class novels typically drive many of our class discussions centered on the issues upon which those novels focus. They warrant in-depth discussion and analysis of social issues or moral dilemmas including: Social Class (A Raisin in the Sun) - Racial Prejudice (To Kill A Mockingbird) - Corruption of Power (Animal Farm, Anthem) - Consequences and Decision making (Romeo and Juliet).

How challenging is KAP English?

Generally, students find KAP English to be one of their more challenging courses. The level of independent reading and high standards for writing are significantly different than what they experience in Junior High.

What is the difference between KAP English and Academic English?

Primarily, pace and independence. Academic English covers the same material as KAP English, but the pace is remarkably more forgiving. Additionally, there is significantly more guided reading and practice **during** class, so less is expected of students at home.

Should my child take KAP English if they did not in Junior High?

It is always an option to move up in difficulty, but students should expect to be a lot more challenged in KAP English. It starts out quickly, and there is not a lot of time for students to adjust to the pace before they begin testing and quizzing. Come ready to learn and work! Generally, if a student knows that they will not read outside of class, they should not take KAP English.

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CURRICULUM SEARCH - JUNIOR HIGH

CURRICULUM SEARCH - HIGH SCHOOL





Tonight's Clubs / Organizations

- ASA
- Band
- Best Buddies
- BSU
- Business Ed.
- Caribbean Club
- Color Guard
- Cross Country
- Career Technology
- Dance/Sapphires
- FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America)
- FCCLA
- Katy Virtual School (KVS)
- Miller Career Center
- Mu Alpha Theta
- Muslim Student Association
- National Honor Society
- Orchestra
- Pumps and Pipes Steam Club
- Student Council
- Studio VII Theatre Co.
- Wrestling

SLHS has over 100 clubs and organizations, this is just a sample of what your student could participate in next year!

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