

# PROFILE

## JAMES E. TAYLOR HIGH SCHOOL

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### ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

*Principal*  
Dr. Melinda Stone  
*Associate Principal*  
Karlyn Fuquay  
*Assistant Principals*  
Tim Chesser, *Student Support*  
Chad Williamson, *Student Support*  
Andre Brooks, 9th Grade  
Tanya Carrejo, 10th Grade  
Tracy Walt, 11th Grade  
Grant Smith, 12th Grade  
*Counselors*  
Jean Borzik (*Lead Counselor*)  
Alicia Leung  
Peggy Cameron  
Carol Cowand  
Angie Sticker  
Brandye Simper  
Karmen Mundt  
*College and Career Facilitator*  
Tiffany Mitchell  
*Professional Registrar*  
Christy Maeker  
*Registrar*  
Mirian Romero  
*Athletic Coordinator*  
Chad Simmons  
*Assistant Athletic Coordinator*  
Brooke Plemons

### THE COMMUNITY

James E. Taylor High School is located 25 miles west of downtown Houston in a suburban area with a population of 26,609. The Katy Independent School District itself encompasses a large area consisting of over 90,000 students. The socio-economic level is predominantly middle to upper-middle class.

### SCHOOL FACTS

James E. Taylor High School is a public, four-year secondary school with an enrollment of 3,012 students in grades nine through twelve. Taylor is one of nine high schools in the Katy Independent School District. The teaching faculty has 187 members. The school is accredited by the Texas Education Agency. The school has a very strong academic focus that reflects the interest, involvement, and profile of the school's parents, business and community leaders.

The school day consists of seven class periods which meet five days a week. Each class period is approximately 50 minutes in length. The school year is divided into two semesters with three six-week marking periods in each semester.

### CAMPUS DEMOGRAPHICS

White	40%
Hispanic	31%
Asian	15%
Black	10%
Two or More Races	4%
Native Indian	0%
Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	0%

### CLASS RANK

KISD uses a weighted 4.0 grading scale. Class Rank is based on a cumulative grade point average for grades 9-12, plus high school courses taken in junior high and credits earned via pre-approved Katy ISD provider(s).

A student's GPA is calculated by dividing the total number of grade points by the number of semester courses attempted. Students are officially ranked for the first time after the fifth semester in high school. A full year, one period course consisting of two semesters would be equivalent to one credit.

### CLASS OF 2022 QUARTILE RANK

Quartile	GPA
1	4.9057 - 3.9455
2	3.9444 - 3.4444
3	3.4423 - 2.7963
4	< 2.7903

**Number of Seniors**

**733**

*Katy ISD only ranks the top 10% of the Senior class. All other students are awarded a quartile ranking.*

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT PROGRAM TEST RESULTS

Katy ISD	
Number of AP Exams given	<b>17,107</b>
Number of Students	<b>7,458</b>
Percentage scoring 3 or better	<b>77%</b>
Taylor High School	
Percentage scoring 3 or better	<b>80%</b>

### STATE ASSESSMENT PERFORMANCE

#### STAAR/EOC Exams

Test	Approaches	Met	Masters
<b>Algebra I</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>39%</b>
<b>Biology</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>53%</b>
<b>English I</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>24%</b>
<b>English II</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>US History</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>89%</b>	<b>71%</b>

### COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

Entering 4 yr college	<b>71.42%</b>
Entering 2 yr college	<b>13.99%</b>
Entering tech college	<b>3.85%</b>
Gap Year	<b>5.42%</b>
Military	<b>1.71%</b>
Workforce	<b>3.71%</b>

### COLLEGE ADMISSION TEST SCORES

High School Graduates in 2021  
(average scores)

SAT	Total
THS	1112
Texas	1000
National	1050
ACT	Total
THS	26.6

### NATIONAL MERIT RECOGNITION

Year	Semi-Finalists
2022	10

### CAMPUS ACHIEVEMENTS

- 6A State Champion in Wrestling
- Academic Decathlon earns 3rd at State and \$6000 in scholarships
- 2022 THS Valedictorian had the highest GPA in the District
- FFA Poultry Judging National Champions
- THS Quiz Bowl team competed in the state tournament and THS student earned recognition as the highest scorer for the entire state of Texas
- Two Academic All-State cheerleaders 2022
- 2022 THS Boys Swim Team Regional Champions with 26 students competing, two teams placed in the top 10, one earning the highest placement in Katy ISD
- 2022 State Track & Field qualifier in discus
- 2022 District Swimmer of the Year



## KISD GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must earn a passing score on five STAAR/EOC state assessments (English I, English II, Algebra I, Biology, & US History). In addition to earning all required course credits for their graduation plan to earn a diploma, Katy ISD students must also satisfy the following academic requirements:

Course	FHSP	FHSP+ Endorsement
<b>English</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Science</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Other Languages</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Fine Arts</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Health*</b>	<b>.5</b>	<b>.5</b>
<b>Electives</b>	<b>4.5*</b>	<b>6.5*</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>

\*All students must earn a communication skills component from one of the following as an elective credit: Professional Communications, Leadworthy, Theatre Arts, Theatre Productions, Debate, Oral Interpretation, Professional Standards in Agribusiness or AP Seminar.

### Endorsements available:

STEM, Business & Industry, Public Services, Arts & Humanities, Multidisciplinary Studies, and Distinguished Level of Achievement.

### DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT

A student may earn a distinguished level of achievement by successfully completing all curriculum requirements for the Foundation High School Program, plus each of the following:

- A fourth credit in mathematics, which must include Algebra II;
- A fourth credit in science;
- The requirements of at least one endorsement.

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

### PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

A student may earn a performance acknowledgement in one or more of the following categories:

- AP test score of 3 or above;
- IB test score of 4 or above (applies to transfer students only as the International Baccalaureate program is not offered in Katy ISD);
- Outstanding performance on the PSAT, SAT or ACT;
- Completion of at least 12 hours college coursework with final grades of A or B (3.0 GPA or above);
- Bilingualism and biliteracy; and
- Earning a state, nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license.

## KISD GRADING SCALE

	(90-100) <b>A</b>	(80-89) <b>B</b>	(70-79) <b>C</b>	(69-Below) <b>F</b>
KAP/AP Courses	5	4	3	<b>0</b>
Dual-Credit Courses	4.5	3.5	2.5	<b>0</b>
Academic Core & Elective Courses	4	3	2	<b>0</b>
Fundamental/Applied Courses	3	2	1	<b>0</b>

## KISD ADVANCED COURSES

### KAP Courses

Algebra II	German III
Biology	Humanities
Chemistry	Ind Eng I - Academic Decathlon
Chinese III	Japanese III
Comp Sci Individual Study	Latin III
Comp Sci III Data Structure	Multivariable Calculus
Comp Sci Unity Game Devel	Pre Calculus
Elements of Data Science	Psychology
English I	Spanish III
English II	World Geography
French III	World History
Geometry	

### Dual Credit Courses

Accounting I	Instr Practices
Accounting II	Learning Framework
Art History	Plane Trigonometry
Business Info Mgt I	Pro Communications
College Algebra	Psychology
Economics	Spanish Language IV
Elements of Calculus	Speech
English III	U.S. Government
English IV	U.S. History

### Advanced Placement Courses

2-D Design Portfolio	Japanese Language
3-D Design	Latin Vergil
Art History	Macro Economics
Biology	Micro Economics
Calculus AB, BC	Music Theory
Chemistry	Physics I
Chinese Language	Physics II
Computer Science A	Psychology
Computer Science Principles	Research
Drawing	Seminar
English Language	Spanish Language
English Literature	Spanish Literature
Environmental Science	Statistics
European History	Studio Art
French Language	U.S. Government
German Language	U.S. History
Human Geography	World History

Total Number of KAP Courses	22
Total Number of Dual Credit Courses	18
Total Number of AP Courses	34
<b>Total Advanced Academic Courses</b>	<b>74</b>