

General Project Information



Raines High School

Project Priority: 1

Background & Justification:

Campus Opened: 1981

Square Footage: 106,153

Major Past Building Projects: Renovation and Expansion (2008)

Project Description: At the July 2020 Katy ISD Board of Trustees meeting, the design for a stand-alone Raines High School was approved.

Raines High School currently occupies the second floor of a building that is shared with the Opportunity Awareness Center (OAC). The 2017 Bond provided \$7.3 million for a building addition to Raines High School that included adding ten (10) new classrooms and increasing the size of the cafeteria. During the planning and design phase for this Raines High School addition, the need for a new stand-alone building became apparent. Raines High School maximum seating capacity is for 231 students, which is far below the number of annual applicants, thus requiring students to be placed on a waiting list. A new stand-alone facility will increase the maximum number of available seats to between 500 and 525 students. It will also allow for the opportunity to offer flexible scheduling to meet the needs of Raines High School students who choose to apply to attend this high school due to extenuating circumstances that place them at risk of not graduating. The new facility design will offer in-person, virtual, and hybrid learning environments that are appealing to students interested in attending an academic setting that is innovative and different from a traditional, comprehensive high school.

Additionally, by moving the Raines High School program to a new designed stand-alone facility, the seating capacity for both the Opportunity Awareness Center and Behavior Transition Program will increase.