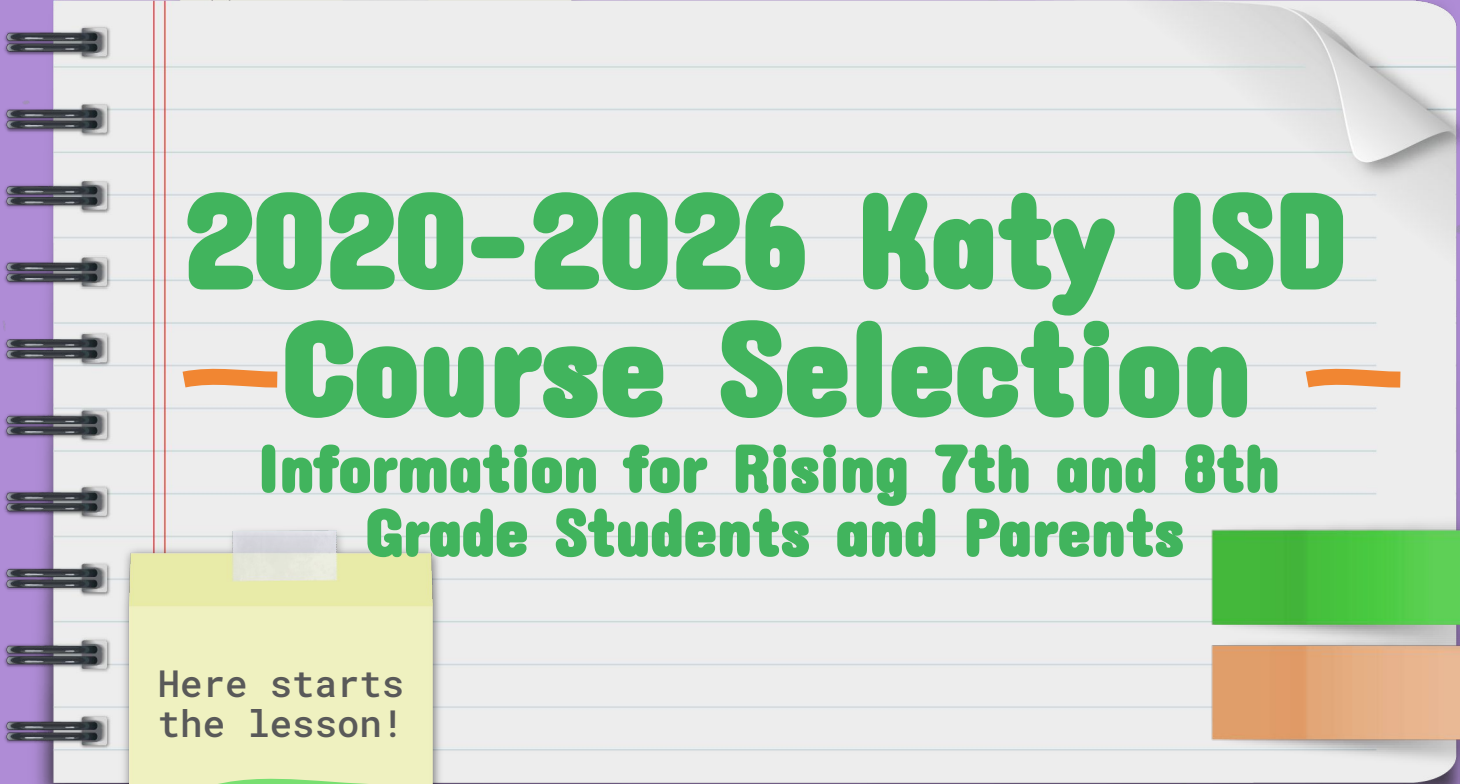


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2020-2026 Katy ISD — Course Selection —

Information for Rising 7th and 8th
Grade Students and Parents



Here starts
the lesson!



Course Selection Overview

1. This year we will be using Schoolinks for your course selection. Course selection opens Feb 3rd
2. Complete course selections with your parents via **schoolinks** by Feb 28th.
3. Students will meet with school counselors to complete course selections before spring break.
4. Course verification will take place the week following spring break.

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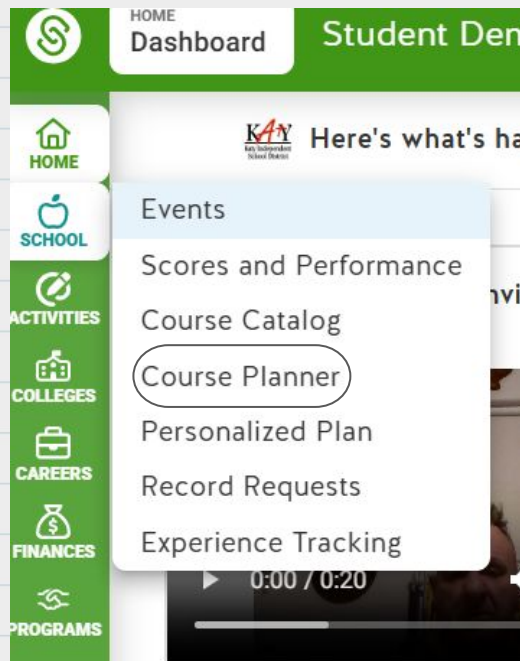
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**Login using Student
Username and
Password**

Open Schoolinks



Entering Course Requests through Course Planner



2022 - 2023 Plan ● NOT STARTED

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Planned School
Morton Ranch Junior High 

Graduation Plan
Junior High Completion Plan  [Course Catalog →](#)

Deadline: 1/30/2023

 6th Grade 0/0

 7th Grade 0/0

8th Grade 0/0

✓ Language Arts - English

Eng/Read 6 Block
0/0 ✓ J6001



JH

Eng/Read 7 Block
0/0 ✓ J7061



JH

English 8
0/0 J8021



JH



✓ Science

Science 6
0/0 ✓ J6301



JH

Science 7
0/0 ✓ J7301



JH

Science 8
0/0 J8301



JH



✓ Social Studies

Soc Studies 6
0/0 ✓ J6201



JH

Soc Studies 7
0/0 ✓ J7201



JH

Soc Studies 8
0/0 J8201



JH



✓ Math

Fnd Math 6
0/0 ✓ J693C



FND JH

Math 7
0/0 ✓ J7111



JH

Math 8
0/0 J8111



JH



✓ Physical Education

PE 6 (Girls)
0/0 ✓ J681



JH

PE 7 (Girls)
0/0 ✓ J781



JH

PE 8 (Girls)
0/0 J881



JH



Credits: 0/0 planned ✓

Requirements: 0/0 met ✓

[Other Options](#)

Student submission
Due 01/30/23

[Submit plan](#)



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Electives

Electives

● REQUIREMENTS NOT MET

[View requirement details](#)

View 0 credits not shown

6th

7th

8th

Math Lab 7

0 ✓ J709



JH

[+ Add another course](#)

[Course Catalog](#)



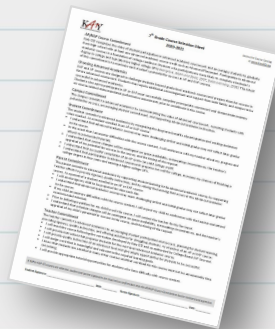
Choosing Courses – Class Formats

- Academic courses are challenging work designed for all students. These courses are on grade level and allow more time to review concepts.
- KAP courses are more challenging than academic. They are fast-paced and often involve more homework.
- GT courses require students to be screened and identified for placement in GT courses.

KAP Program Information

An “A” average in the academic class, or a “B” in the KAP class, is a good indicator of future success in a KAP class. KAP courses are designed to challenge motivated students and prepare them for success in advanced coursework. These courses:

- typically move at a faster pace,
 - are academically challenging,
 - require more independent learning, and
 - require more homework than academic courses.
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- Parent approval for KAP Course Commitment are required for KAP courses.
(You will receive your KAP form from your teacher.)
 - KAP Social Studies is recommended for students taking KAP English and Reading.



Math KAP



- 6th Grade Math KAP is the first course in the Advanced Math Pathway. It sets students up to take Algebra I in 8th grade.

- The 6th, 7th, and 8th grade math TEKS are taught in an accelerated format, so students complete all three courses in 2 years – 6th and 7th Grade Math KAP.



6 th Grade School Year	7 th Grade School Year	8 th Grade School Year
6 th Grade Math KAP (all of 6 th grade + ½ of 7 th grade math curriculum)	7 th Grade Math KAP (½ of 7 th grade + all of 8 th grade math curriculum)	Algebra I

Choosing Courses for Next Year

All students must sign up for the following courses:

1. English Language Arts and Reading Block
2. Math
3. Social Studies
4. Science
5. PE or Athletics
6. One elective for 7th grade and **2 electives for 8th grade**
7. 7th grade ELA GT students- 2 electives
8. Three alternate elective choices



7th and 8th Grade PE & Athletics

1. All students will initially be placed in PE.
2. Students *may* sign themselves up for athletics- pending coach approval
3. Dance 8th Grade only
4. Please see the coach if you are interested in playing a sport next year.



7th and 8th Grade Electives

All students must take Level 1 (Beginner course when choosing a new elective) . You can take art 1 in 7th or 8th grade.

- Band
- Choir
- Orchestra
- Theater Arts
- Art
- High School Art (8th grade)
- Publications 1 and 2– Yearbook
- Leadworthy J999 (Career Research)

- Principles of Human Service- 8th grade
- Principles of Applied Engineering- 8th grade (Algebra Required)
- Principles of Manufacturing- 8th grade
- Spanish I - 8th
- Spanish for Spanish speakers - 8th
- Principles of Arts/ AV/ Technology and Communications 7- 8th grade
- Business Information Management 7-8th grade
- Career Launchpad 7-8th grade



Career Launchpad



In this class you will learn about the career clusters for Katy ISD.

You will do projects based on all 16 career clusters that will help you learn about many different job opportunities for your future.

Join us as we discuss and learn about the 16 career clusters for your high school endeavor.

Career Launchpad is offered to both 7th and 8th grade students.

This course will allow students to explore the many different career pathways.

Principles of Applied Engineering

- ❖ Introduction to engineering, design and computer aided design (CAD)
- ❖ Learn to bridge science with the real world
- ❖ Learn how to use basic machinery and safety
 - Drill press, Lathe, Scroll Saw and Sanders
- ❖ Keep a real engineering notebook of your designs and develop your ideas into products
- ❖ Make and race a CO2 rocket car
- ❖ All Levels Welcome



8616 Principles of Applied Engineering

Course Fee: See fee schedule

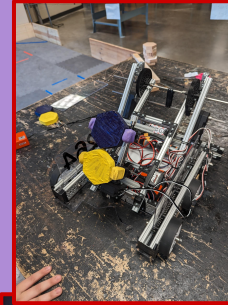
Recommended Co-requisite: Algebra I

Grade: 8 Only

Credit: One

This high school credit course provides an overview of the various fields of science, technology, engineering, and math and their interrelationships. Students will use multiple software applications to prepare and present course assignments along with hands-on projects. Students who successfully complete Principles of Applied Engineering in eighth grade are awarded one high school credit and grade points.

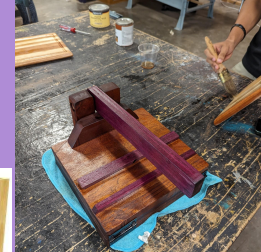
NOTE: Principles of Applied Engineering is an introductory course/credit for a STEM - CTE endorsement. See page 90 for additional information about this course.



Students use a variety of computer hardware and Autodesk applications to complete assignments and projects to gain an understanding of the interrelationships between various fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. It is highly recommended that students take Algebra I so that they can follow the concurrent pathway.

Principles of Manufacturing

- Learn Safety with Machinery
- Learn to Build
- All Levels Welcome
- Make your own custom project, cutting board, wooden pens, ornaments and other projects



8043 Principles of Manufacturing

Course Fee: See fee schedule

Grade: 8 Only

Credit: One

This high school credit course is a hands-on study of manufacturing technology. Students reinforce, apply and transfer academic knowledge and skills to a variety of activities, problems and settings, as students develop skills in the application, design, production, and assessment of products, services and systems and how these skills are applied to manufacturing.

NOTE: Principles of Manufacturing is an introductory course/credit for a Business & Industry - Manufacturing endorsement.

Due to facility limitations, this course is only offered at junior high campuses that have adequate space and equipment.

See page 90 for additional information about this course.

Only available at junior highs and Katy High School

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High School Credit Courses

WARNING

- Semester grades and grade points earned in all high school credit courses – including those taken in junior high – become a permanent part of the student's high school transcript.
- If you take a high school credit course in junior high, you **MUST NOT** request the same course in high school.
- You **CANNOT** repeat a course for which you have already earned credit.
- No credit is awarded for a duplicated course.



Business Information Management I

7th & 8th Grade

Word Processing and
Business Documents

Microsoft Word

Database Software

Microsoft Access

Spreadsheets

Microsoft Excel

Presentations

Microsoft Powerpoint

Desktop Publishing

Microsoft Publisher



Principles of Arts, A/V, Technology, and Communications

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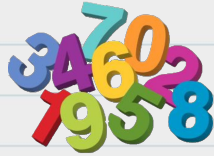
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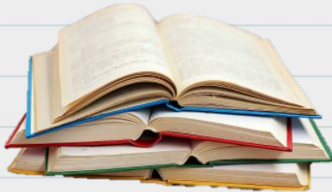
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Other Courses

Students who do not pass the Math or Reading section of the STAAR test will be scheduled to take these classes in place of the elective choice.



- **Math Lab** is designed to help refine and review math skills in preparation for the STAAR test.



- **Reading Elective** is designed to help improve reading level and basic reading skills in preparation for the STAAR test.

☐ go to MyKatv Cloud, www.mykatv.katvisd.org and login using Student Username and Password

A screenshot of a login page with a yellow background. At the top, the word "Login" is written in bold. Below it, there are two input fields: "Username" and "Password". At the bottom right of the form is a blue button labeled "Log In".

Click the search arrow



Search the word SchoolLinks and click on the Icon:



A spiral-bound notebook with a white cover and a purple background. The notebook is open, showing a lined page. The text is written in green. The top right corner of the page is folded over. The spiral binding is on the left side. There are two green tabs at the top of the page.

Complete “Let’s Get Onboarding”
Click on Let’s Go

Complete Find Your Path

Course Verification on Schoolinks

Students and parents will go over course verification March 18-26th

- Review all requests for accuracy.
- List alternate choices in the order of preference.



Schoolinks

7th/8th Grade Course Selection Recap

All students must complete a course selection on schoolinks should be completed **Feb 28th**

Your parents must complete and approve your course selection in schoolinkS

All students must sign up for the following courses:

- English Language Arts and Reading Block
- Math
- Social Studies
- Science
- PE or Athletics (or Dance for 8th graders)
- Two elective courses for 8th grade and one elective course for 7th grade
- Three alternate elective courses

Remember

- Course selection will open up in **Schoolinks** on **Feb 3rd**
- Course selection are due in **schoolinks** by **Feb 28th**
- Choose your courses wisely – think carefully about your choices.
- Talk to your teachers about KAP placement.
- Choose the electives that's most interesting to you.
- List three alternate electives.