



Katy Independent School District  
2025-26 Course Selections  
Incoming 6th Grade Student  
West Memorial Junior High School



Student Name: Last, First MI	KISD Student ID	Birth Date:
Address: Street		City / Zip
Parent/Guardian #1 Name: Last, First		Parent/Guardian #1 Primary Phone:
Parent/Guardian #1 Email Address:		
Parent/Guardian #2 Name: Last, First		Parent/Guardian #2 Primary Phone:
Parent/Guardian #2 Email Address:		
<p><b>DIRECTIONS:</b> CHOOSE one course from each of the required areas of <b>English, Math, Science, Social Studies and PE</b>. Mark required courses by CIRCLING the course number for the course. <b>IMPORTANT: List Fine Arts/Elective choices in order of preference.</b> Students may not receive their first choice elective due to insufficient enrollment in a course, scheduling conflict, or over enrollment in course. Student and parent signatures confirm that all course guidelines have been reviewed and course selections have been made based on the student's individual strengths, interests and commitment.</p>		
<p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> Per SB 2124, incoming 6th grade students who perform in the top two quintiles (40%) on their 5th grade Reading, Math, or Science STAAR tests will be automatically placed in the corresponding KAP course. All adjustments will take place during the summer or early August, depending on the date STAAR results are released. If you <b>DO NOT agree</b> to automatic placement for your child, based on their 5th grade STAAR performance, please circle below OPT-OUT for each of the subject areas listed below:</p>		

English Language Arts and Reading    **OPT-OUT**    Math    **OPT-OUT**  
Social Studies    **OPT-OUT**    Science    **OPT-OUT**

REQUIRED COURSES		ELECTIVE COURSES	
<b>ENGLISH AND READING</b>		<b>FINE ARTS</b> <i>One year of junior high Fine Arts is required for all students.</i>	
J600	English Language Arts and Reading Block 6	<b>J941</b> Theatre 1 <b>J911</b> Art 1 <b>J921</b> Band 1 <i>Placement based on Director approval. Director will contact the student regarding instrument assignment.</i> <b>J931</b> Orchestra 1 <i>Placement based on Director approval. Director will contact the student regarding instrument assignment.</i> <b>J951</b> Choir 1 - Boys <b>J961</b> Choir 1 - Girls	
J606	English Language Arts and Reading Block 6 KAP		
G606	English Language Arts and Reading Block 6 KAP/GT*		
<b>MATH</b>			
J611	Math 6		
J614	Math 6 KAP		
G614	Math 6 KAP/GT*		
<b>SCIENCE</b>		<b>OTHER ELECTIVE COURSE</b>	
J630	Science 6		
J634	Science 6 KAP		
G634	Science 6 KAP/GT*		
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>		<b>CHOOSE from Fine Arts electives and Elective course options, and list your choices IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE ** Please be advised that scheduling conflicts may prevent your student from getting his/her first elective choice.</b>	
J620	Social Studies 6	1. _____ (first choice)	
J624	Social Studies 6 KAP	2. _____ (second choice)	
G624	Social Studies 6 KAP/GT*	3. _____ (third choice)	
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>		4. _____ (fourth choice)	
J680	PE 6 - Boys		
J681	PE 6 - Girls		
<p>*GT course placement requires the student to meet specific Katy ISD screening criteria. For more information visit KISD's Gifted/Talented and Advanced Academics website.</p>		<p><i>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.</i></p>	

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Course selection for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year has begun. Important dates for course selection are listed below:

**January 7 - March 18, 2025** Students select courses in SchoolLinks using Course Planner

**February 3 – March 18, 2025** Counselors meet with students individually to review course requests and approve Personalized Plans

**Until March 18th, 2025** Course Verification – Parents verify courses and request course changes

Students received information about all required and elective courses that are available to them for the next school year. Now students need to make informed choices about courses that will best 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.

On the 5th Grade Course Selection Worksheet, your child will request the following courses: English/Language Arts Block, Math, Social Studies, Science, P.E., and list your top four elective choices in order of preference. Students identified as gifted may opt for a class designated as GT. If your student changes his/her mind about their course requests after January 31st, your child will have an opportunity to request changes to their selections during Course Verifications. This will take place March 18-26, 2024.

Thank you for your careful consideration of courses for your child.  
After completing the worksheet, 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