

8th Grade Course Selection Sheet 2022-2023

Student Name: Last,	First	KISD Student ID	Birth Date:
Parent/Guardian Name: Last,	First		Parent/Guardian Email:
Address: Street			City / Zip
Parent/Guardian Home Phone:	Parent/Guardian Cell Phone:		Parent/Guardian Work Phone:

Choose one course from each of the required areas of English, Math, Science, Social Studies and PE, and two couses selected from Fine Arts, World Languages or Electives. The AP/KAP agreement on the back of this page must be signed if any KAP or KAP/GT courses are selected. GT placement requires the student to have met specific Katy ISD screening criteria.

Mark selections with a check in the space next to the course titles. Alternate Fine Arts choices should be listed in case the first choice cannot be accommodated. Student and parent signatures confirm that course selections have been made based on the student's individual strengths, interests and commitment. Final placement into courses is contingent upon campus approval.

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REQUIRED COURSES ENGLISH			RANK FINE ARTS/ELECTIVES 1-7		
J802 J806 G806 J802L J817L	English 8 English 8 KAP English 8 GT* English Learner Language 8 (ESL) Reading 8 ESL		Please rank the Electives 1-7, number one being most preferred to number 7 being least preferred (for example: 1. LeadWorthy, 2 Choir, 3.Publications, 4. Theater, 5. Art, 6. Band, 7.Orchestra). FINE ARTS One year of junior high Fine Arts is required for all students.		
MATH			J846	Theatre 3 † (J648 Theatre 1) (J746 Theatre 2)	
J811 J0211	Math 8 Algebra I & 🔆 Algebra I GT* & 🌟 Algebra/Algebra GT are not KAP and points. Algebra placement will a		J850 J7511 J860	Placement based on Director approval. Art 3 † (J650 Beginning Art) (J750 Art 2) Art 1 † (high school credit) Prerequisite J650 or J750 (junior high art course) Band 3 † (J660 Beginning Band 1) (J760 Band 2) Placement based on Director approval.	
SCIENCE			J859	Orchestra 3 † (J653 Orchestra 1) (J759 Orchestra 2)	
J830 J834 G834	Science 8 Science 8 KAP Science 8 KAP/GT*		J867 J868	Placement based on Director approval. Choir 3 - Girls † (J667 Choir 1) (J767 Choir 2) Choir 3 - Boys † (J668 Choir 1) (J768 Choir 2)	
SOCIAL STUDI J820	Social Studies 8			Placement based on Director approval.	
J820 J824 G824	Social Studies 8 Social Studies 8 KAP Social Studies 8 KAP/GT*		ELECTIVE COU J755	JRSES** Publications 1	
PHYSICAL EDU				Approved application required.	
J885 J886	Athletics 8 - Boys † Athletics 8 - Girls † Physical and coach's approval required	for placement in athletics.	J999 J300	LeadWorthy (two semesters) Student Aide Teacher recommendation required.	
J880 J881	PE 8 - Boys † PE 8 - Girls †	, ,	J754 J8616 J8043	Career Investigation Prin of Applied Engineering ↑ (high school credit) ◊ ☆ Principles of Manufacturing ↑ (high school credit) ◊ ☆	
	888 J895	G895	J8560	Touch System Data Entry (sem) (high school credit) and 🜟	
Lu	inch Advisory	Advisory GT		J2026 Web Communications(sem)(high school credit) 🌟	
February 16th make changes conflicts may	sed students will receive their verific . This sheet will be the only opportu that will be considered on a space-a prevent your student from getting h revention courses may be required for st	nity students will have to available basis. *Scheduling is/her first elective choice.			
STAAR and/or b	ased upon documented reading and/or n	nath levels.			
course placem ♦ ╈ The star earned for hig the student's	ses are based on KAP curriculum, different nent requires the student to meet specifi symbol notes high school credit courses h school credit courses taken in junior hi high school transcript and count towards s apply. See junior high fee schedule and	c Katy ISD screening criteria. 5. Grades and grade points gh become a permanent part of 5 the student's high school GPA.	2021-2022 C	Sourse Catalog Scan QR Code or use this website: tinyurl.com/CourseCatalog2021-2022	
Student Sign	ature:	Date:	Parent Signature	: Date:	

Student and parent signatures are required as confirmation that all course guidelines and course selections have been reviewed.



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AP/KAP Course Commitment

Katy ISD recognizes the value of student participation in advanced academic coursework and encourages students to graduate from high school with at least one advanced academic course credit such as Advanced Placement. Participation in advanced academic courses is a foundation of college readiness. Students who participate are more likely to complete a bachelor's degree in college and typically have higher college GPAs (*Hargrove, Godin and Dodd, 2007; Dodd and Keng, 2008*). The intent of this commitment is to maximize each student's potential for success in AP and KAP courses.

Choosing Advanced Academics

KAP and AP courses are designed to challenge students beyond grade-level academic courses and prepare them for success in future advanced coursework. Students may require additional encouragement and support from both family and campus to be successful in advanced academics.

Students who opt to participate in AP or KAP must successfully complete prerequisite coursework and demonstrate mastery on course-related state-mandated performance assessments prior to enrollment in the course.

Campus Commitment

The campus commits to advanced academics by communicating the value of advanced coursework, recruiting students with potential for success, encouraging student commitment, and supporting advanced academic instruction.

Student Commitment

The student commits to advanced academics by recognizing the long term benefits of participation and seeking assistance when needed. As a student enrolled in an AP or KAP course:

- I understand that advanced academic courses may seem challenging at first and initial grades may not reflect later grades in the course.
- In the event that I encounter difficulties with the course content, I will conference with my teacher about my progress and attend recommended tutorials.
- I understand that course changes will be contingent on space availability, extenuating circumstances, the teacher's appraisal of my potential for success in the course, and the timing of the request.
- I understand that successful completion of an AP exam can yield college credit.
- I understand that participation in advanced coursework prepares me well for college, increases my chances of finishing a college degree in four years and earning a higher college GPA.

Parent Commitment

The parent commits to advanced academics by supporting student learning in the advanced academic course; by supporting teacher efforts to provide rigorous, quality instruction; and by valuing the learning that occurs in the advanced academic course. As a parent of a student enrolled in an AP or KAP course:

- I will encourage my child to be prepared for class each day.
- I understand that advanced academic courses may seem challenging at first and initial grades may not reflect later grades in the course.
- If my child encounters difficulties with the course content, I will expect my child to conference with the teacher and attend recommended tutorials.
- Prior to initiating a petition for my child to exit the course, I will contact the teacher for his/her input.
- I understand that schedule changes will be contingent on space availability, extenuating circumstances, and the teacher's appraisal of my child's potential for success in the course, and the timing of the request.

Teacher Commitment

The teacher commits to advanced academics by encouraging student participation and success, planning for student learning, providing rigorous, quality instruction, and offering assistance for struggling students. As a teacher of an AP or KAP course:

- I will teach the course following the curriculum developed by Katy ISD and as authorized by College Board (AP Courses).
- I will provide instruction that prepares students for the next level advanced academic course.
- I will provide quality instruction at an advanced level and give ample opportunities for students to be successful.
- I will assign work that is meaningful and relevant to the required learning goals.
- I know that students are enrolled in many other courses and that workload for this course must not be unreasonably time consuming.
- I will provide appropriate tutorial opportunities for students who have difficulty with course content.

If KAP/KAP GT courses are selected, student and parent signatures are required as confirmation that the AP/KAP Course Commitment has be reviewed and agreed to.