

Katy High School

# Class of 2024

Future Tiger Night



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KHS Class of 2024,

We are very excited to begin welcoming our newest class of Katy Tigers! We take pride in our rich history and we have high expectations for you to continue the legacy of KHS. It's our goal for you to become part of our tradition of excellence.

Over the next few months, you will begin preparing for your transition into high school. The first process is course selection. Take time to think through your options for classes. There are many factors to consider when making your choices, so make sure you ask questions if you have them. Your current teachers and counselors can help advise you on which classes to take and our counselors are always available to answer questions.

In the near future you will be receiving information about our Class of 2024 Fish Camp. This is our freshman orientation and it takes place later in the summer. We encourage all of our incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders to attend Fish Camp because it is an outstanding opportunity for you to meet your classmates, find out what high school is like, and to learn what it takes to be a Tiger!

Another important event is our freshmen parent coffee on TBD. Parents can come and meet other freshmen parents and hear from different organizations at KHS to hear about opportunities to become involved at KATY HIGH. Invitations will be sent home with students and posted on our social media sites.

In Just over four years you will be walking across the stage, shaking my hand and graduating from KATY HIGH SCHOOL that time will go by very quickly. During that time, Work hard, enjoy yourself, make friends, and Be the best you can be.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Rick Hull  
Principal

## **Katy High School Alma Mater**

Katy, Our Katy,  
You will live on. Red-White forever,  
We will praise you long.  
All pledge allegiance,  
Loyal and true,  
Hail! Alma Mater  
We will honor you

## **Katy High School Fight Song**

Come on you Tigers,  
We're here to fight!  
We're here to show them  
We'll win tonight.  
We'll behind you,  
One and all.  
We'll win and  
We'll stand tall.



# FHSP + Endorsement Graduation Requirements

## The Foundation High School Program + Endorsement

The following requirements apply to students first entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2014 and thereafter.

### FOUNDATION HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM (FHSP)

*The 22-Credit Foundation Is Required for All Endorsements*

<b>ENGLISH</b> .....	<b>4</b>
Must consist of English I, II, III (ESOL I may be substituted for English I for students with limited English proficiency), and an additional/advanced English course. The fourth English credit must be taken after successful completion of English I, II, and III.	
<b>MATHEMATICS</b> .....	<b>3</b>
Must include Algebra I, Geometry, and an additional/advanced math course beyond Algebra I	
<b>SCIENCE</b> .....	<b>3</b>
Must include one Biology credit, one credit selected from IPC, or Chemistry, or Physics; and one additional/advanced, lab-based science course	
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b> .....	<b>3</b>
Must include U.S. History, one-half credit Government, one-half credit Economics, and World History <i>or</i> World Geography	
<b>OTHER LANGUAGES</b> .....	<b>2</b>
Must consist of 2 levels in the same language	
<b>FINE ARTS</b> .....	<b>1</b>
Choir, Band, Orchestra, Dance, Art, Theatre Arts, Art History, or Music Theory I and II; Principles & Elements of Floral Design or Digital Art & Animation may substitute	
<b>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b> .....	<b>1</b>
May include Athletics or PE (up to 4 credits), Foundations of Personal Fitness (.5 credit); Dance, Dance Team I, fall semesters of Marching Band or the first year of Cheerleading may substitute.	
<b>HEALTH</b> .....	<b>0.5</b>
Katy ISD Board-adopted requirement	
<b>ELECTIVES</b> .....	<b>4.5</b>
Must include a communication skills component, earned through Professional Communications, Debate, Oral Interpretation, Professional Standards in Agribusiness, Teen Leadership, Theatre, or Dual Credit Speech.	
<b>TOTAL FHSP CREDITS</b>	<b>22</b>

### ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ENDORSEMENT

<b>MATHEMATICS</b> .....	<b>1</b>
<b>SCIENCE</b> .....	<b>1</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL ELECTIVES</b> .....	<b>2</b>
Electives must be chosen from the five endorsement categories of STEM, Business & Industry, Arts & Humanities, Public Services, and/or Multidisciplinary Studies	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS: FHSP + ENDORSEMENT</b>	<b>26</b>
College Board Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses may be substituted in appropriate areas for both Foundation and Endorsement credits.	

### STATE ASSESSMENT PERFORMANCE

In addition to the credit requirements as listed above, students must meet passing standards on the following End-of-Course Exams:

- o English I
- o English II
- o Algebra I
- o Biology
- o United States History

### ENDORSEMENTS

All students are required to declare an endorsement in writing. Students will be permitted to change their endorsement with written notification.

There are five endorsement options, which allow students flexibility based on individual interests and career goals. Each endorsement category is designed to prepare students to successfully enter postsecondary education or the workforce upon graduation from high school.

The endorsement and the career areas to which they correspond are as listed below:

- o **STEM** – Science, including computer science; Technology; Engineering and Mathematics (Algebra II, Chemistry, and Physics are required for the STEM endorsement);
- o **PUBLIC SERVICES** – Education and Training; Government and Public Administration; Health Science, Human Services; and Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security;
- o **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY** – Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources; Architecture and Construction; Business Management and Administration; Finance; Hospitality and Tourism; Information Technology; Manufacturing; Marketing; Transportation; and Journalism, including broadcast journalism, newspaper, and public speaking;
- o **ARTS & HUMANITIES** – Social Studies; Languages other than English; Fine Arts; and English Language Arts;
- o **MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES** – Allows students to take courses in several endorsement areas as listed above.

*Specific requirements for each endorsement were adopted by the State Board of Education on January 31, 2014.*

### RECOGNITIONS

Students have the opportunity to earn additional recognitions in the following areas.

#### 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:

- o A fourth credit in mathematics, which must include Algebra II;
- o A fourth credit in science;
- o 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:

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



# KATY TIGERS

## Math & Science Sequence

### Academic Path

8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE YOU ARE HERE	MATH	SCIENCE
	ALGEBRA 1	BIOLOGY IPC <sup>1</sup>
9 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	ALGEBRA 1	BIOLOGY IPC <sup>1</sup>
10 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	GEOMETRY	CHEMISTRY IPC <sup>2</sup>
11 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	ALGEBRA II	CHEMISTRY PHYSICS
	ALGEBRAIC REASONING <sup>3</sup> STATISTICS <sup>4</sup>	ANATOMY AQUATICS EARTH SPACE ENVIRONMENTAL FORENSIC
12 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	PRE- CALCULUS DISCRETE MATH STATISTICS AP STATISTICS <sup>6</sup> DUAL CREDIT ALGEBRAIC REASONING COLLEGE PREP MATH <sup>5</sup>	PHYSICS OR... ANATOMY AQUATICS EARTH & SPACE ENVIRONMENTAL FORENSICS AP PHYSICS I AP CHEMISTRY AP ENVIRONMENTAL AP BIOLOGY

- Students who fail 8<sup>th</sup> grade Science STAAR are placed in IPC.
- Students who score 75 or lower in Algebra I and Biology are recommended for IPC.
- Students scoring 74 or lower in Algebra I and Biology are recommended for Algebraic Reasoning.
- Students may dual-enroll in Algebra II and Statistics (non-AP)
- A student MUST be a senior to be enrolled in College Prep Math
- AP Stats can be taken any time after completion of Algebra II.

### PreAP/AP Path

8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE YOU ARE HERE	ALGEBRA 1	SCIENCE
	GEOMETRY GEOMETRY PRE- AP <sup>1</sup>	BIOLOGY BIOLOGY PRE- AP <sup>1</sup>
9 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	GEOMETRY GEOMETRY PRE- AP <sup>1</sup>	BIOLOGY BIOLOGY PRE- AP <sup>1</sup>
10 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	ALGEBRA II ALGEBRA II PRE- AP <sup>2</sup>	CHEMISTRY CHEMISTRY PRE- AP <sup>2</sup>
11 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	PRE- CALCULUS PRE- CALCULUS PRE-AP	PHYSICS AP PHYSICS I
	AP STATISTICS <sup>4</sup>	AP CHEMISTRY <sup>3</sup> AP BIOLOGY <sup>3</sup> AP ENVIRONMENTAL <sup>3</sup> ANTAT. & PHYS. <sup>3</sup> AQUATICS <sup>3</sup> EARTH & SPACE <sup>3</sup> ENVIRONMENTAL <sup>3</sup> FORENSICS <sup>3</sup>
12 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE	AP AB CALCULUS AP BC CALCULUS MULTIVARIABLE CALC AP STATISTICS <sup>4</sup>	AP PHYSICS II AP BIOLOGY AP CHEMISTRY AP ENVIRONMENTAL ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY AQUATICS EARTH & SPACE ENVIRONMENTAL FORENSICS

- Students are encouraged to enroll in Geometry Pre- AP & Biology Pre-AP if both semesters of 8<sup>th</sup> grade Algebra I and Science were 85 or better.
- Students are encouraged to enroll in any Pre-AP or AP course if their preceding Pre-AP course average is greater than 85. Otherwise, a teacher recommendation is necessary.
- Third science courses.
- AP Stats** can be taken any time after completion of Algebra II

# KHS Clubs & Organizations

<b>Anime Club</b>	<b>Sponsor: Jarred Straub</b>
Anime Club meets every Thursday until 3:30 to discuss and watch a variety of anime.	
<b>Bengal Brigade</b>	<b>Sponsor: Patty Henson</b>
The purpose of Brigade is to boost school activities, increase interest and sportsmanship in interscholastic and extra-curricular activities, and create a more intense spirit of school loyalty as well as developing character, talents, leadership, and individual responsibility while maintaining high moral standards. The Brigade represents Katy High School as a Dance/Drill Team with a very high standard of precision. Brigade offers interested individuals the opportunity to learn more by enrolling in Brigade Training classes. This class prepares you to try out for Brigade. Tryouts are open to freshmen, sophomores and juniors at the end of the fall semester. A panel of judges on their skills as a dancer and performer selects brigade members. For more information about dance team specific guidelines, you can log onto <a href="http://katyisd.org">katyisd.org</a> , select Fine Arts, and access Dance Team guidelines. These are VERY important and you are encouraged to check them out as soon as possible!	
<b>Bowling Club</b>	<b>Sponsors: Georgia Duncan</b>
All students are welcome to join the KHS Bowling Club. The league includes all High Schools in Katy ISD and uses volunteer coaches. All practices and matches are held after school at Time Square Entertainment. Students must arrange their own transportation. A one-time entry fee (approximately \$140) covers team shirt, practice games, matches and coaching. We kick off with a 3 week "Participation Event" to help coaches level the JV and Varsity teams. Our season spans from mid-October through Spring Break with ten district matches and the goal of participating in regional and state competitions. KHS Bowling Team has made it to "State Finals" for the past few years! We follow UIL guidelines (must pass to play and sign random drug testing waiver). Participation is encouraged among students with secondary obligations (band/sports/academics).	
<b>Cheerleaders</b>	<b>Sponsor: Patty Henson &amp; Robin Sammons</b>
The purpose shall be to boost school activities, increase interest and sportsmanship in interscholastic activities, and create a more intense spirit of school loyalty, as well as developing character, talents, leadership, and individual responsibility, and to maintain high moral standards. Katy High has twelve varsity cheerleaders and one mascot; these individuals are juniors and seniors. There are also twelve junior varsity cheerleaders who are sophomores or juniors. All cheerleaders are selected by outside judges on their ability to cheer, tumble and dance. Cheerleader tryouts are held at the end of April, but there is a mandatory meeting for all candidates and their parents the first Tuesday in March. For more information about cheerleader specific guidelines you can log onto <a href="http://katyisd.org">katyisd.org</a> and select Fine Arts and access Cheerleader guidelines. These are VERY important and you are encouraged to check them out as soon as possible!!!	
<b>Class Officers</b>	<b>Sponsor: Grade Level Assistant Principal</b>
There are no costs required and you are elected by your class. See appropriate grade level principal for information.	
<b>Debate Club</b>	<b>Sponsor: Krista Nix-Buckner</b>
Debate Club is a co-curricular club that debates at local tournaments on Fridays and Saturdays. There is open enrollment so tryouts are not required. However, students are required to take the Debate 1 class within a year of joining the team. Practice is held once a week 2:45-4:30 (either Tuesday or Thursday). During the summer, we meet for 3 days in early August. Students must be available both Friday and Saturday when they compete at tournaments. First year debaters generally attend 5 tournaments a year, varsity averages 15 per year. It is highly recommended that students begin the activity no later than your Sophomore year.	
<b>Destination Imagination</b>	<b>Sponsors: Arianne Stojkovic</b>
The Destination Imagination program is a fun, hands-on system of learning that fosters students' creativity, courage, and curiosity through open-ended academic challenges in the fields of STEM (science, technology, engineering, & math), fine arts, and service learning. Our participants learn patience, flexibility, persistence, ethics, respect for others and their ideas, and the collaborative problem solving process. Teams may showcase their solutions at a tournament.	

## KHS Clubs & Organizations continued

<b>Fitness Club</b>	<b>Sponsor: Laerica Barcelona</b>
<p>The Fitness club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school during the second semester. It is a great way to stay in shape even if you are participating in a Fall Sport. We do track workouts, lift weights and even do some fitness videos. We typically meet from 2:45-3:30 at the latest.</p>	
<b>French Club</b>	<b>Sponsors: Wendy Kirkle</b>
<p>French Club provides students an opportunity to further explore areas of Francophone culture such as music, theater, food, fashion, history and traditions, and arts of all sorts in the company of like-minded, fun individuals here at school or on field trips.</p>	
<b>Future Farmers of America (FFA)</b>	<b>Sponsors: Seth Lucas, Josh Vodehnal, Daniel Powell, Jacob Price &amp; Megan Guerrero</b>
<p>FFA is not extracurricular! The program is part of a three-part model of education that consists of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Classroom instruction</li> <li>* Supervised agricultural experiences</li> <li>* The FFA</li> </ul> <p>Classroom agricultural education is applied to hands-on learning opportunities called supervised agricultural experiences (SAEs). SAEs include activities such as starting a business, working for an established company or working in production agriculture. FFA activities vary greatly from chapter to chapter, but are based on a well-integrated curriculum. Chapter activities and programs concentrate on three areas of the FFA mission: premier leadership, personal growth and career success. Website: <a href="http://www.katy.ffanow.org">www.katy.ffanow.org</a></p>	
<b>German Club</b>	<b>Sponsor: Fiona Lindgren</b>
<p>Gives students an opportunity to share a common goal of learning German, as well as doing fun activities outside of school. Activities include trips to German/Austrian restaurants, museums, putt-putt golf and fund raising activities.</p>	
<b>Good Sportsmanship League (GSL)</b>	<b>Sponsor: Tammie Brown &amp; Stacey Cave</b>
<p>GSL is 8-10 students who walk to the 50-year line during football games to meet the opposing school's GSL. We wish them well and give them a gift. Applications are available for juniors and seniors and the selection process is in May.</p>	
<b>Health Occupations of America (HOSA)</b>	<b>Sponsor: Dayna Krueger</b>
<p>The purpose of the HOSA organization is to develop leadership and technical HOSA skill competencies through a program of motivation, awareness and recognition, which is an integral part of the Health Science Education instructional program. HOSA has middle school, secondary, and collegiate state and national membership. Like FFA, HOSA has competitions, leadership opportunities, and conferences for students to attend. HOSA state/national dues are \$25 per year and anyone interested in the health science field can join. If students are not enrolled in a health science class, they can join as an associate member. At KHS, we help with blood drives, and volunteer for other health related causes, in addition to many other fun activities and outings.</p>	
<b>History Club</b>	<b>Sponsor: Rebecca Lacquey</b>
<p>The Katy High School History Club is affiliated with the National History Club and the National History Honors Society. The goals of the History Club are to encourage the enjoyment of studying, reading, discussing and writing about historical topics along with sharing ideas and experiences that promote an interest in history, both foreign and domestic, ancient and modern.</p>	
<b>Interact</b>	<b>Sponsor: Amy Dickens &amp; Susan Mojaver</b>
<p>Interact is a Rotary-sponsored service club for young people. Made up of members aged 13-18, Interact gives young people an opportunity to participate in fun, meaningful service projects. Through their service activities, Interactors learn the importance of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing leadership skills and personal integrity</li> <li>• Demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others</li> <li>• Understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work</li> <li>• Advancing international understanding and goodwill</li> </ul>	

## KHS Clubs & Organizations continued

<b>International Thespian Society</b>	<b>Sponsor: Katy Tagliabue</b>
<p>INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN TROUPE #5168            All student work outside of the classroom will make you eligible to become a member of KHS. Thespian Troupe #5168. A student must earn thespian points from active involvement in the theatre activities that are approved by the program director. Students are required to turn in their activities periodically during the year for which they may be awarded Thespian points. It is suggested that all students turn in their activities at each club meeting throughout the year. These points will be tabulated by the Troupe council before eligibility for lettering and induction into the Thespian Troupe will be determined. Transfer (other Thespian troupes) students must earn a total of 5 points in Katy Theatre and participate in the induction in May to be an official member. If their standing can be determined in time, they may attend that year's State Convention. Thespians are also eligible to apply for scholarships through the ITS.</p>	
<b>Mental Health Awareness Club</b>	<b>Sponsor: Alexis Carter</b>
<p>The Mental Health Awareness Club is a new club but we plan to do some fundraising and participate in walks in order to raise money for mental health awareness. It is also a place for students to express any mental health issues they or someone close to them is experiencing without fear of judgment.</p>	
<b>Model UN</b>	<b>Sponsors: Rebecca Lacquey</b>
<p>Model United Nations is designed to introduce students to the operation and structure of the United Nations while providing them with the opportunity to actively learn about world cultures and debate issues of international importance in a hands-on environment. Students will participate in conflict resolution, public speaking and coalition building in addition to making new friends and being exposed to new ideas. Students are assigned a country and research their country's views on the issues to be discussed. They portray their role at the Houston Area Model United Nations Conference.</p>	
<b>Mu Alpha Theta</b>	<b>Sponsors: Daniel Blanco</b>
<p>Mu Alpha Theta is an organization I honor society whose purpose is to stimulate interest in mathematics by providing public various mathematical activities. Topics presented during club meetings help members gain a greater understanding and enjoyment of mathematics. High school students in grades 9 through 12 who have completed the equivalent of four semesters of mathematics, Algebra I and up, and in addition are enrolled in a more advanced course, are eligible for full membership providing their math grade average is 85 or above. Students are eligible beginning their junior year.</p>	
<b>National Honor Society</b>	<b>Sponsor: Amy Dickens</b>
<p>3.75 GPA for freshman and sophomore years and the first semester of the junior year, good citizenship, leadership, service to school and community and teacher recommendations required.</p>	
<b>Newspaper</b>	<b>Sponsor: Johanna Schneider</b>
<p>Staff works throughout the year on producing the KHS newspaper, <i>Paw Print</i>. The newspaper is a 16-page color magazine. The staff uses the desktop publishing program InDesign as well as the programs Photoshop and Illustrator. Staff interviews students, coaches, teachers and administrators about a given topic, and writes their own copy, headlines and captions for their stories. Staff is assigned pages to layout each six weeks. <b>Students need to be good writers and have excellent editing skills; they should also be responsible and reliable.</b> Staff is required to sell at least one advertisement per six weeks to offset the cost of the printing the newspaper and required to take photographs at 2 events (minimum) per six weeks. NOTE: most work is done <b>in class</b> and there are very few times when before school or after schoolwork is necessary. Newspaper I, II and III count as an elective credit. Journalism I is a prerequisite to the class.</p>	
<b>Peer Mentors</b>	<b>Sponsor: Amy Dickens, &amp; Susan Mojaver</b>
<p>Students working with other students in the planning and execution of Fish Camp. Peer Mentors are essential to the success of 9th grade orientation. Peer Mentors also work through organizations as role models.</p>	



# KHS Clubs & Organizations continued

## Spanish Club

**Sponsors: Diana Acevedo-Garcia**

Spanish Club welcomes all students who are willing to be proactive and can take the time to plan, coordinate, and participate in the club activities, projects, and meetings throughout the year. Our Spanish Club at Katy High School has done great things throughout the years. Students have participated in projects and fundraisers, (Carrie's Heart, Pulsera Project), socio-cultural meetings and events at school or outside the school (World Affairs Council Luncheon, Renaissance Festival). We want our students to be aware of and celebrate the Latin Culture and to practice their target language with peers who are at different levels of Spanish learning. In 2013-2014 school year, Mrs. Diana Acevedo –García, the Katy High School Club sponsor, helped establish the Chapter *Hispania*, with the Hispanic Honor Society. Since then, the Spanish Club has been the main place where students can dedicate their time and service to become honorary members of the *Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica*.

## Student Council

**Sponsor: TBD**

The Katy High School Student Council promotes a positive environment of well-being through cooperation among faculty, students and the community. The purpose of the Katy High School Student Council includes:

1. To bring about closer cooperation between the faculty, students and community
2. To provide leadership experiences that develop increasing responsibility, initiative, and self-direction
3. To establish a line of communication between students, teachers and administration that exists outside of regular classroom procedures
4. To promote school interest, spirit and loyalty
5. To work with local business leaders to enhance a successful partnership between the school and the community
6. To provide a forum for student expression

## Technology Student Association

**Sponsors: Thea Drake & Teddy Vaughan**

The Technology Student Association fosters personal growth, leadership, and opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM): members apply and integrate these concepts through co-curricular activities, competitions, and related programs

## Writing Club

**Sponsor: Sarah Leone**

The Writing Club unites students who enjoy, or want to enjoy, the thrill of expressing themselves with "written words". All are welcomed. This club offers students an opportunity to connect, reflect, and pursue their writing interest, as a group, and individually. There will be guidance and inspiration available, for those who want it. In addition, the needs and desires for others, who write privately, will be respected. In addition to providing an encouraging place for all writers, The Writing Club will publish a Literary Magazine for the KHS. The publication will feature a variety of creative works, including, but not limited to, poetry, flash fiction, essays, and short stories. Writing Club members, who choose to submit their work, as well as any other KHS students, who want to publish their writing. The literary Magazine will be published and distributed by Writing Club members will write the works featured in the Lit Magazine.

## Yearbook

**Sponsor: Johanna Schneider**

Staff works throughout the year on producing the KHS yearbook, *Tiger Echo*. The yearbook is over 250 pages and is ALL color. The staff uses the desktop publishing program InDesign as well as the programs Photoshop and Illustrator. The staff utilizes the use of digital cameras and scanners for yearbook pages. Staff interviews students, coaches, teachers and administrators about pages assigned: sports, student life or organization and writes their own copy, headlines and captions for their layout. Students need to be interested in writing and creating on the computer; **they should also be responsible, reliable, and able to work under pressure to meet deadlines**. NOTE: most work is done **in class** and there are very few times when before school or after schoolwork is necessary. Staff is required to take photographs at 2 events (minimum) per six weeks. Yearbook I, II and III count as an elective credit. Journalism I is a prerequisite to the class.

# KHS Fine Arts

## **Band**

**Sponsors: Terence Gorton, Dale Fremin, & Brannon Baker**

The Roaring Band from Tigerland is an organization focused on the ability to play a variety of music, develop performance and marching skills, as well as leadership, organizational skills, and cultural awareness, with greater musical proficiencies, knowledge, and performance expectations each succeeding year.

## **Choir**

**Sponsors: Brian Miller & Katy Cuddihee**

The KHS Choir program is a rigorous and rewarding musical organization. Open to singers of all experience levels, we focus on traditional choral literature and vocal technique for a lifetime of healthy singing. Being in choir will improve your overall singing ability, instill more confidence, and help you learn how to read music on your own. We would love to have you be a part of the Katy Choir program!

## **Orchestra**

**Sponsor: Ellen Lawrence**

The KHS Orchestra is split into four levels that are grouped by ability and experience. Each orchestra is composed of a combination of violin, viola, cello, and bass players. Members of the orchestra explore many different styles and genres of music from classic al to contemporary while developing leadership, musicianship, responsibility and a strong sense of teamwork. Students generally have four performances throughout the school year as well as opportunities to participate in solo & ensemble contest, all-region orchestra, all -state orchestra, and UIL contest.

## **Theatre**

**Sponsors: Katy Tagliabue & Charlie Woods**

Katy Theatre is dedicated to bringing outstanding educational theatre to the students and community of Katy High School. Katy Theatre is an ensemble committee to telling stories and creating unique lifelong memories and experiences. All of us at Katy Theatre share a passion for all of the fine arts with our audiences. Any student may audition for our productions regardless of whether or not they are enrolled in a theatre class. Students must accrue Thespian points in order to be inducted into our Thespian Troupe 5168. We will have monthly meetings.

## KHS Athletics Information

ACTIVITY	CONTACT NAME	CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS	WHO SIGNS OFF?	PRACTICE TIMES	TRYOUTS	WHEN ARE TRYOUTS?	REQUIRED SUMMER ACTIVITIES
Athletic Trainer	Justin Landers	<a href="mailto:justinllanders@katyisd.org">justinllanders@katyisd.org</a>		After School	No	Contact in December and May for joining	Yes
Baseball	Tom McPherson	<a href="mailto:thomasfmcpherson@katyisd.org">thomasfmcpherson@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	During & After School	Yes	January	Yes
Boys Basketball	Danny Russell	<a href="mailto:dannyerussell@katyisd.org">dannyerussell@katyisd.org</a>	Junior High Coach	Freshman & Sophomores 6 AM; JV & V 3 PM	Yes	October	No
Boys Cross Country	Jim Darcey	<a href="mailto:jamespdarcey@katyisd.org">jamespdarcey@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	6 AM Run & 3 PM Weights	No	In August, Must show you can run a mile, Under 7:30	Encouraged
Boys Soccer	Eddie Bloise	<a href="mailto:edwardmbloise@katyisd.org">edwardmbloise@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	During & After School	Yes	Monday after Thanksgiving	No
Boys Track	Jim Darcey	<a href="mailto:jamespdarcey@katyisd.org">jamespdarcey@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	7 <sup>th</sup> Period & After School	No		Encouraged
Diving	Tim Szafran	<a href="mailto:TimothyWSzafran@KATYISD.ORG">TimothyWSzafran@KATYISD.ORG</a>	Open Enrollment	During & After School	No		Yes
Football	Gary Joseph	<a href="mailto:garveyjoseph@katyisd.org">garveyjoseph@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	Freshmen 1:45 – 3:30; Varsity Sub 2:45 – 5:45	No	Freshman Football Camp is in July. Practice starts second Monday in August	Yes
Girls Basketball	Shanna Marhofer	<a href="mailto:shannadmarhofer@katyisd.org">shannadmarhofer@katyisd.org</a>	Junior High Coach	Freshman at 6 AM; JV & Varsity 7 <sup>th</sup> period-4:30	Yes	Mid- October; Freshman can enroll in August	Encouraged
Girls Cross Country	Jim Darcey	<a href="mailto:jamespdarcey@katyisd.org">jamespdarcey@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	6 AM Run & 3 PM Weights	No	In August, Must show you can run a mile, Under 7:30	Encouraged
Girls Soccer	Dianne Loffin	<a href="mailto:dianneeloffin@katyisd.org">dianneeloffin@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	JV until 3:30 daily; Varsity until 4:30 daily	Yes	Monday after Thanksgiving	Encouraged
Girls Track Field	Jim Pat Darcey	<a href="mailto:jamespdarcey@katyisd.org">jamespdarcey@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	During & After School	No		Encouraged
Boys. Girls Golf	Paul Donley	<a href="mailto:pauladonley@katyisd.org">pauladonley@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment/ Tryouts	JV Before School; Varsity After School	Yes	First Wednesday & Thursday of School	No
Softball	Kalum Haack	<a href="mailto:kalumhaack@katyisd.org">kalumhaack@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	After School	Yes	January	No
Swimming	Tim Szafran	<a href="mailto:TimothyWSzafran@KATYISD.ORG">TimothyWSzafran@KATYISD.ORG</a>	Open Enrollment	Varsity 6-8 AM, JV 2-4 PM	Yes	Summer Training Camp (two weeks before school)	Yes
Tennis	Christopher Kerr	<a href="mailto:christopherckerr@katyisd.org">christopherckerr@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	During & After School	Yes	First week in August	Encouraged
Volleyball	Karen Paxton	<a href="mailto:karenmpaxton@katyisd.org">karenmpaxton@katyisd.org</a>	Yes	Freshman before School; Varsity after School	Yes	August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Yes
Wrestling	Vinnie Lowe	<a href="mailto:vincentflowe@katyisd.org">vincentflowe@katyisd.org</a>	Open Enrollment	3-5 PM October-February	No		Encouraged

# ATTENTION

## All students interested in participating in *Athletics* at Katy High School

KISD policy mandates that all athletes must have a yearly physical.

Physicals must be completed after May 1, 2020  
to be valid for the 2020-2021 school year.

The physical form may be filled out and printed off from [katyisd.rankonesport.com](http://katyisd.rankonesport.com). Click on Physical/Medical History Forms, then fill out the Medical History form, and print it and the Physical form to take to the doctor. This is the only paper form you will hand in. All of the other five KISD required forms will need to be filled out under the Electronic Participation Forms tab. Further details for filling out the online forms can be found on the next page. The forms for the 2020-2021 school year will be available to fill out on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

Physicals will be offered on campuses in May 13th and July 23rd for \$25. It is highly encouraged to get your athletic physical at that time and turned in before the end of school, so you will be ensured to be ready to participate in the fall.

Athletes will not be allowed to try-out, practice, or complete in any sport/athletic class until a current physical is on file and turned into the athletic trainers.

DO NOT TURN IN ATHLETIC PHYSICALS TO COUNSELORS, NURSES, REGISTRARS, OR SECRETARIES. DO NOT MAIL PHYSICALS TO KATY HIGH SCHOOL.

*Please hand-deliver physical forms to the athletic trainers. We are here year-round, including the summer.*

**\*\*\*NO PHYSICAL – NO PARTICIPATION\*\*\***



Athletic Participation Forms must be submitted annually. This year, patrons will submit the forms online to make the process more convenient for families.

**All required participation forms must be submitted before a student participates** in any try-out, practice, athletic class, open gym, open weight room, athletic competition or travels with a KISD athletic team for any purpose.



The only required form that cannot be completed electronically is the annual physical and medical history form. *You are encouraged to fill out the history portion of the form prior to printing.* Parents will be able to print a physical and medical history form to take to your physician or school sponsored physical event during the electronic session.

Students are required to use the Pre-participation - Physical Examination Form provided. **NO OTHER** Physical Examination Form can be accepted. A new physical exam must be given prior to each school calendar year. **Any physical administered prior to May 1, may not be valid after August 1.**

### Directions

1. Go to <http://katyisd.rankonesport.com> or scan the QR code above. *You must have your athlete's KISD Student ID number to complete the forms.*

The required annual athletic physical and health history cannot be filled out online because it must be completed by the parent/guardian and physician. You may print a **physical and medical history** by selecting the physical and medical history tab at the top of the page. Once you have selected the tab you will see the link to the physical and medical history and will be able to download and print. *You are encouraged to fill out the medical history prior to printing the form.*

2. The **Student Parent Handbook** should be printed for your reference. The handbook includes important UIL Health and Safety information as well as guidelines for athletic participation in Katy ISD. There will be a signature page within electronic forms stating that you have been provided and agree to follow all rules and guidelines within the handbook.

3. All other required paperwork will be done electronically. The parent/guardian will be asked to provide information such as home phone numbers, cell phone numbers, email addresses, name of the primary physician, insurance policy information and other pertinent information. Please make sure you have this with you when filling out your forms electronically.

4. Remember that **to submit online appropriately**, you and your child must fill out and sign in all required spaces. Forms will not be accepted electronically without all required information being completed.

5. To access the required athletic participation forms for Katy ISD, hold your cursor over the **"Electronic Participation Forms"** tab. You will get a drop list of all required forms.

6. To begin, click on the form name and fill out the information requested. Parent/Guardian must have their son/daughters present along with the students' ID number available to complete the forms. If you do not know the answer to a question, please answer the question with N/A, or none.

7. To sign the document, click inside the signature box and hold your mouse down, this will allow you to create and "Electronic Signature." If you make a mistake and need to start over, click on the refresh icon next to the signature box. If you are using an IPAD, you may create an electronic signature by holding your finger to the screen and signing your name or by using astylus.

8. Once you have filled out all of the information on each page, you will have the opportunity to print the document.

9. You will receive a confirmation email once the document(s) have been successfully submitted to the site.

# FRESHMAN CHECKLIST ...

## TRANSITION AND BUILDING A SOLID FOUNDATION

WORK TO DEVELOP STRONG

ORGANIZATION AND STUDY SKILLS: UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR WEEKLY

DEVELOP A DAILY ROUTINE THAT INCLUDES AT LEAST ONE HOUR OF HOMEWORK: OUTLINE CHAPTERS.

LOOK INTO EXTRA- CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND FIND SOMETHING YOU ENJOY AT SCHOOL OR ELSEWHERE.

GET TO KNOW YOUR TEACHERS, COUNSELOR, AND PRINCIPAL.

READ MORE THAN THE MINIMUM HIGH SCHOOL REQUIRED READING

READ NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINE, AND OTHER MATERIAL OF INTEREST (DAILY, DEEPLY, AND WIDELY.)

ATTEND TUTORING SESSIONS EARLY IN THE SEMESTER: DO NOT WAIT UNTIL YOU GET BEHIND.

KEEP YOUR STUDENT ID WITH YOU.

CONSIDER VOLUNTEER WORK OF SOME TYPE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE IN AN AREA OF INTEREST

START A FILE OF ANY AWARDS, CERTIFICATES AND ACTIVITIES THAT MIGHT BE RELEVANT FOR YOUR RESUME.

MEMORIZE YOUR STUDENT ID NUMBER.

TAKE A PICTURE OF YOUR SCHEDULE.

TALK TO PEOPLE ABOUT CAREERS.

DISCUSS YOUR INTERESTS AND ABILITIES, STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES WITH THOSE WHOM YOU KNOW BEST.

KEEP UP YOUR GRADES- FRESHMAN YEAR DOES COUNT!

WITH YOUR ACTIVITIES, QUALITY COUNTS MORE THEN QUANTITY. START TO THINK ABOUT PICKING A FAVORITE AND TRY FOR A LEADERSHIP POSITION NEXT YEAR.

IF TRAVELING, CONSIDER STOPPING BY THE LOCAL UNIVERSITY AND PEEK.

VISIT THE LIBRARY.



## High School vocabulary

ACT: is a standardized national college Admissions examination that tests in English, mathematics, reading and Science. Students typically take this Exam during their junior year.  
<http://www.actstudent.org/>

AP: Advanced Placement: a program of College level courses and exams that Give high school students the opportunity to receive advanced placement and/or credit in college.

Credit: unit of measurement for a high school course. A full year course equals one (1) credit and a semester courses equals half (.5) a credit.

Dual Credit: juniors and seniors can start earning college credit before graduating from high school.

Eoc (End of Course) Testing: Texas mandated test that must be passes as a part of graduation requirements. Students are tested in the spring in the following areas: Algebra 1, Biology, English 1, English 2, and US History.

GPA: Grade Point Average: a student's cumulative grade point average begins as soon as students begin taking courses for high school credit: Average of all high school courses taken: it is important to high a high GPA for college admission and scholarships. Pre AP/AP classes have weighted grade points.

National Honor Society: students who are at least sophomores in the spring semester and who have obtained a 3.75 GPA may be nominated for this organization.

Psat: The Psat/nmsqt: assesses reading, math, and writing skills; provides excellent practice for the SAT; and connects students to scholarships and personalizes online tools. Katy isd students typically take the Psat during their 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade year.

Sat: The SAT and SAT subject tests are designed to assess your academic readiness for college. These exams provide a path to oppmiunities, financial support, and scholarships, in a way that is fair to all students. Students typically take the SAT during their junior year. The SAT and SAT subject tests keep pace with what colleges are looking for today, measuring the skills required for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

<http://sat.collegeboard.org/about-tests>

## Katy's Vocabulary

Commons: gathering place in the main campus

College Visits: students may take two college visits during **their Junior and Senior year** of high school. These absences count as excused absence. You can get this in the counselor office.

Enrichment: thirty minutes set aside each week when students can obtain additional tutoring during the school day.

Exemption: freshman students may choose the same course to exempt in the fall and the spring.

PAC: performing arts center used to hold concerts, plays, and community programs.

Pep Rally/ Theme Days: an experience you will want to be a part of to promote school spirit.

Safety Net: provision for KISD students to anonymously report or notify school officials of incidents of actions that may pose danger. Online and paper options are available.

Tardy Station: areas set up for students who are late to class

Paw Print: school magazine

Transcript: a listing of all high school level courses taken and the grades earned. You can get this in the registration office.

Verification of Enrollment: document, which confirms high school attendance and registration. You can get this in the Attendance office





