

Class of 2026

Junior Guidance Lesson

Cypress Falls High School

HELLO...

MEET THE COUNSELING TEAM

**8 COUNSELORS
SPLIT BY LAST NAME**



- LaKeisha Frank** **Coordinator**
- Bryan Barron** **A - B**
- Shonda Taylor** **C - D**
- Araceli Salinas** **E - G**
- Kristi Macat** **H - LOF**
- Holly Schriver** **LOG - M**
- Kaitlyn Padgett** **N - RH**
- Rosa Nlemchi** **RI - S**
- Nicole Rao-Flores** **T - Z**



COUNSELING OFFICE BASICS:

Access a wealth
of information
including
brochures/flyers

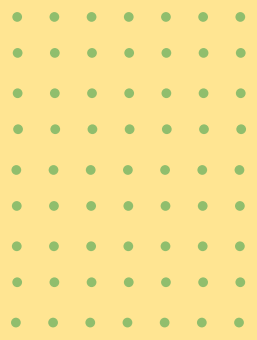
Fill out a
request to visit
with your
counselor



Request SAT/ACT Fee
Waiver,
scholarship info,
Credit by Exam Info
and more!

When to come:
During lunch or
passing periods

In case of emergencies or
immediate needs, counselors are
available to see students with a
pass



WHO TO TALK TO?

Assistant Principals
for **attendance**,
discipline, fees and
fines, graduation,
prom, parking

Teachers for
grades &
assignments

Testing
Coordinator
for EOCs

**ALWAYS START WITH THE
TEACHER!**

College &
Career
Speak with
your counselor

CYS Worker for
shelter, food,
clothing

Counselor for
credits,
schedules,
concerns

GRADUATION PLANS:

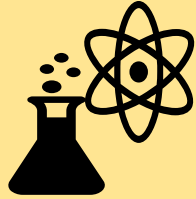
	Foundation	+ Endorsement
Discipline	Credits	Credits
PACE	½	
English	4	
Math	3	1
Science	3	1
Social Studies	3	
Languages other than English (Foreign Language)	2	
Fine Arts	1	
PE	1	
Health	½	
Electives/Endorsement Courses	4	2
Total Credits for Graduation	22	26

Must have
Algebra II
to earn the
Distinguished
Level of
Achievement

A student must earn Distinguished Level of Achievement to be eligible for the Top 10% Automatic Admission Program



ENDORSEMENTS:



STEM



**BUSINESS &
INDUSTRY**



**PUBLIC
SERVICES**



**ARTS &
HUMANITIES**



**MULTI-
DISCIPLINARY
STUDIES**

Distinguished Level of Achievement **MUST** include Algebra 2;
must be on this plan to receive Top 10% Automatic Admission

**MUST HAVE AT LEAST ONE ENDORSEMENT TO GRADUATE ON THE
FOUNDATION + ENDORSEMENT PLAN**

STAAR EOC:



**Retesting
will take
place in
December!**

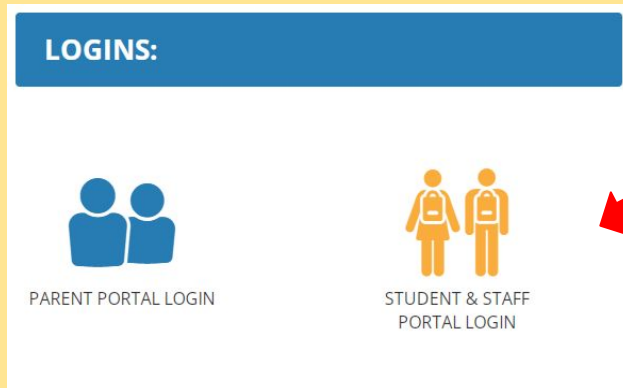
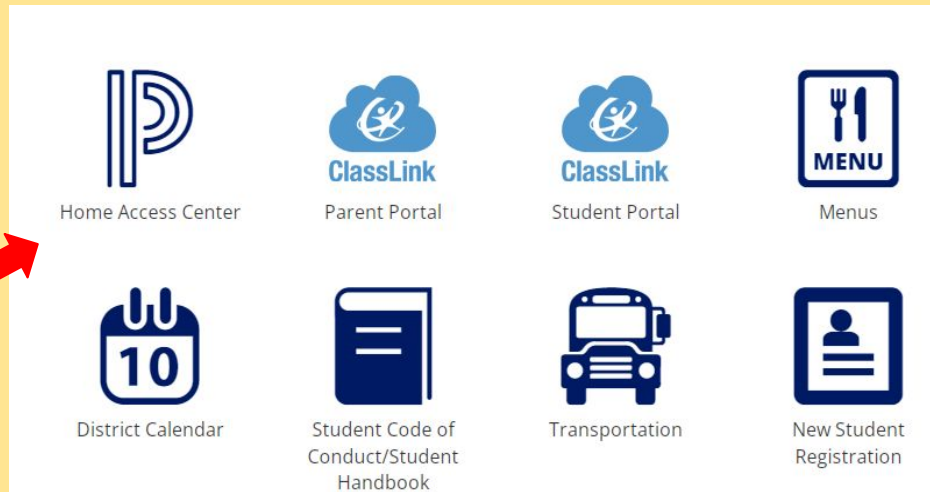
You must pass all five of these exams in order to receive your diploma and/or walk across the stage at graduation

HOW TO CHECK YOUR GRADES:



1. Go to www.CFISD.net
Click on **Parents & Students**

2. Click on **Home Access Center**



3. Login to the **Student Portal**

- Check your grades **AT LEAST** once a week
- Follow up with teachers if you see something
- Attend tutorials **BEFORE** a test



CREDITS + EXCESSIVE ABSENCES:

- Excessive absences **WILL** cause a loss of earned credit, no matter what grade you received in the class.
- EA's **WILL** calculate in your GPA as failing grades and lower your GPA and Class Rank.
- EA's **WILL** cause you not to graduate, if they are not cleared.
- EA's **MUST** be cleared with the Assistant Principals by their set deadlines.

FAIL A SEMESTER?

- **YEAR LONG COURSES:**
 - **FAILING 1ST SEMESTER, PASSING SECOND SEMESTER**
 - FIRST AND SECOND SEMESTER MUST AVERAGE TO A 70 OR ABOVE
 - EXAMPLE: $60 + 80 = 70$ AVG. (YOU GET 1 CREDIT)
 - **FAILING 2ND SEMESTER, PASSING FIRST SEMESTER**
 - YOU ONLY EARN 1/2 CREDIT
 - EXAMPLE: $80 + 60 = 1/2$ CREDIT
 - YOU MUST ATTEND SUMMER SCHOOL OR TAKE CREDIT BY EXAM

Options For Gaining Credit:





CHOOSING POST SECONDARY PLANS:

Technical and Trade Schools

- Certifications
- Apprenticeships

Community Colleges

- Certifications
- Associate Degrees
- Transfer to 4 Year Universities
- Commute to School

Junior Colleges

- Associate Degrees
- Collegiate Sports
- Live on Campus
- Transfer to 4 Year Universities

4 Year Colleges & Universities

- Bachelor Degrees
- Live on Campus
- Collegiate Sports

Military



Workforce



COLLEGE READINESS VS COLLEGE ELIGIBLE

COLLEGE ELIGIBLE:

If a student scores below college level readiness, they will be required to take developmental courses which do not apply towards a degree or certificate.

Talk to the school you plan on attending for more details.

COLLEGE READINESS:

Student proves that they are ready to take college level courses.

This is done with their ACT, SAT, TSIA2 scores, Dual Credit Courses / AP Scores, Care Academy, or Texas College Bridge.

College Readiness Opportunities at CyFalls

Advanced Placement	3+ score on AP exams
CARE Academy (LSC)	75+ in College Prep course
Dual Credit	Any DC English and Math
SAT	Rdg/Writing - 480 Math - 530
Texas College Bridge	Modules in English & Math

NEW

You must graduate with an endorsement and demonstrate college or career readiness for Early Release/Late Arrival as a senior.

CALCULATING GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA)

<u>On-Level</u>	<u>K, AP, DC, Horizons</u>
A(90-100) = 6	A(90-100) = 7
B (80-89) = 5	B (80-89) = 6
C (75-79)= 4	C (75-79) = 5
C- (70-74) = 3	C- (70-74)= 4
F (0-69) = 0	F (0-69) = 0

GPA is cumulative by semester

Juniors will receive a new GPA/Rank August 2025

JUNIOR CLASS OF 2026 RANKS

Top 5%	# 1 - 32
Top 10%	# 1 - 64
1 st Quarter	# 1 - 161
2 nd Quarter	# 162-322
3 rd Quarter	# 323-482
4 th Quarter	# 483-644



Starting with the % 2026, UT will automatically admit Top 5%

ADVANCED CLASSES:



Entrance into Advanced Classes

85 yearly average in same subject L level class

OR 75 during 2nd semester in same subject K level class



Removal from Advanced Classes

Students will be removed if they have an F in a K Level class for any grading period

Students will be removed if they have a C- in a K Level class at Semester

Students will remain in K/AP course for the entire semester unless they fail a grading period

ADVANCED CLASSES:

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

- Option to pay to take test for credit
 - Full year test in spring
 - Half year test in Dec.
- **Must score 3, 4, or 5 to be eligible for credit**

AP + DC

- Grade requirements
- Individual colleges determine credit

DUAL CREDIT

- To take, you must prove college ready by taking the PSAT, ACT/SAT, STAAR or TSI2
- Must complete LSC Application process
- Must pay each semester
- **Pass course for credit to be awarded**

SPRING DC COURSES:

- For Psyc, Texas Govt, Economics,
- **Must already have qualifying test scores**
- Contact Ms. Taylor in the library or Ms. Frank in the counseling office.

PASS / FAIL:

- Earn up to 2 credits pass / fail
- Must exceed 22 credits (Foundation only) or 26 credits (Foundations + Endorsement)
- Benefits students who have a GPA of 6.0 or higher
- Available in fall (application deadline has ended)
- Available again in spring. (applications available in January)

Deadline for Fall has passed. Re-apply for Spring in January.

BE INVOLVED!

When applying to college, you may need to provide a list of extracurricular activities and volunteer hours. Having a good GPA and class rank is not enough.
**Don't wait!
Start getting involved NOW!**

- ON CAMPUS:
- Join clubs and organizations
 - **Try to have leadership roles**

PICK UP A CLUB LIST TODAY!!

- Outside of School:
- Volunteer at a wide variety of places
 - Find volunteer opportunities that connect to your interests
 - **Keep a log of hours**



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**FREE
SAT Test
March 5, 2025
On campus!!!**

Address:
9811 Huffmeister Rd
Houston, TX 77095

Phone Number: 281-856-1000

Principal: Becky Denton

SAT / ACT
WAIVERS:

See the secretaries
in the counseling
office

For
Students
who receive
Free /
Reduced
Lunch

COLLEGE APPLICATION FEE
WAIVERS:

SAT - Located in your College
Board account

ACT / NACAC - See
secretaries in the counseling
office

NCAA Registration Fee Waivers:

See Nicole Rao-Flores in the counseling office.
Nicole.raoflores@cfisd.net



Benefits of qualifying for free/reduced lunch assistance include:

- College Testing Fee Waivers (SAT/ACT)
- College Application Fee Waivers
- Potential Scholarships for Dual Credit classes and AP exams
- Potential Scholarships for CTE certification testing
- Potential Scholarships for Summer School classes

Visit www.schoolcafe.com to apply.

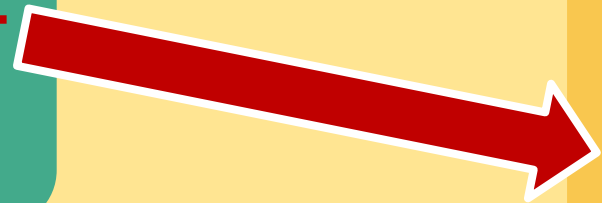
CAMPUS VISITS

4 DAYS TOTAL
2 Junior Year
2 Senior Year

Contact the college or trade school you plan on visiting to check their policy or pre-register if needed.

Must pick up form in Attendance Office **PRIOR** to the visit!

Get form signed by the college and turn it into the Attendance Office so the absence does not count towards exemptions.



ARMED SERVICES VOCATIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY (ASVAB)

What is ASVAB:

- An aptitude test that identifies skill strengths. It includes an interest inventory that highlights work-related interest areas. The results can be used to guide career exploration.
- **FREE - There is no cost!**
- **November 19, 2024;** in the Cy Falls Auditorium; 3 hours
- Participation does not commit you to the military in any way.
- Helps you understand your unique skills and interests.
- Helps you identify potentially satisfying careers based on your skills and interest.
- Discover all the different ways to get to your dream job.
- The ASVAB CEP is a great opportunity for those who are not sure about what they want to do after they finish high school.



About the test:

Every examinee is given the same items. In order to measure ability accurately across all examinees, the P&P-ASVAB includes items that range from very easy to very hard.

The test is multiple choice and consists of eight subtests:

General Science
Mathematics Knowledge

Arithmetic Reasoning
Electronics Information

Word Knowledge
Auto and Shop Information

Paragraph Comprehension
Mechanical Comprehension

LOOKING FORWARD...

2 years of attendance
11 credits

- EOC STAAR Testing - USH
- SAT Free in Spring- March 5th
- Dual Credit Classes
- AP Testing -May
- College Night - October 1st
- Start College Visits

Registration for courses will take place in the
SPRING each year!

Coming Soon!

COLLEGE NIGHT



OCT. 1 | 6 - 8 P.M.
BERRY CENTER

All secondary level students and their parents are invited to attend this free event.

Students and parents should park in Lots A and B, and enter through Entrance Two.

Registration not required.

Clear bag policy will be enforced.

No matter where you are in the college search process, you can learn more about your options.

Come interact with reps and check it out!

Free parking is available and limited concessions will be open.

Save time and impress reps by coming prepared with your Student Barcode Pass.

falltacrao.swoogo.com/Registration

Filter by Region - Houston 1
Cypress-Fairbanks ISD - October 1st



Pre Registration

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Dual Credit Registration

Spring 2025

Starts October 2024

Summer/Fall 2025 -

Starts February 2025

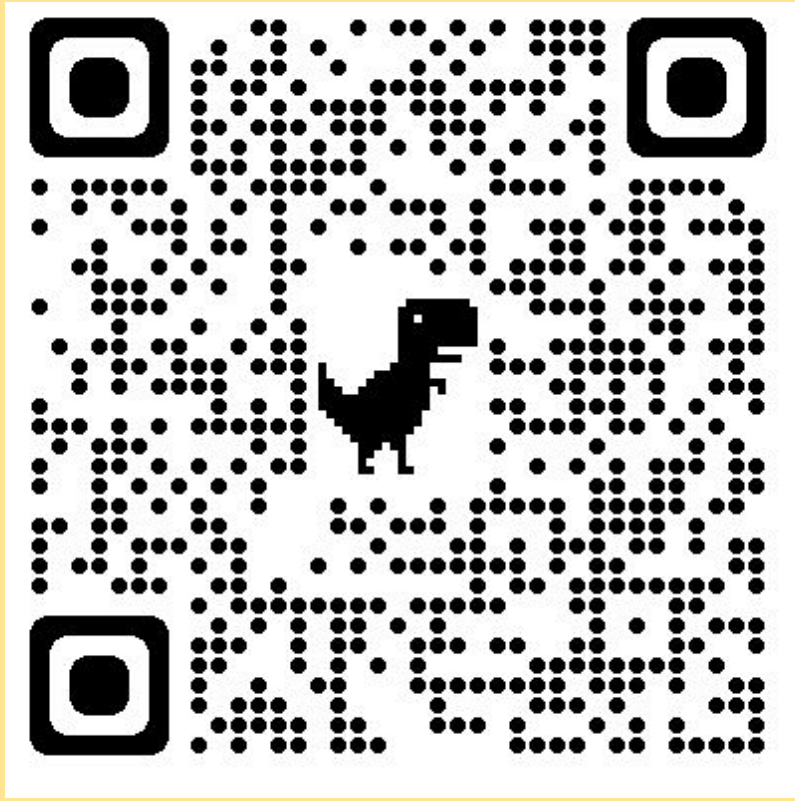
Fall 2025 /Spring 2026

Late March/Early April

WE ARE HERE TO HELP!



Join the Counselor News Remind group to stay up to date with information from the counseling office.



Who Are YOU?!

Scan QR Code to give your information to your counselor