Katy Independent School District

## Strategic Plan | Specific Result Report

**Goal 1 Action Plan Year 1 Priorities – 2022-2023**

**Call to Action:**

Katy ISD learners, through active engagement, achieve individual success while making positive contributions in an ever-changing world.

**Goal 1:**

All learning environments will foster engagement by integrating personalized learning experiences.

**Specific Result:**

1.2 Expand CTE and dual credit opportunities for students.

**Summary Report:**

A large portion of the work in expanding CTE and dual credit opportunities involved building upon parent, student, and community awareness of courses and program availability. The CTE and Gifted/Talented & Advanced Academics departments established clear dual credit and credentialling pathways for students and parents to better understand course selections needed to complete certificates and college credits. Opportunities were also widely advertised with students, faculty, and the community to further inform stakeholders of dual credit choices. Student Success Manuals were created to successfully guide counselors and students through application processes and provide information on tutoring opportunities. Approximately 30 new courses were also introduced that include a wider range of student interests and goals. In addition to the new course offerings, Katy ISD developed, and will offer this fall, a Commercial Driver's License Program to qualifying students interested in a career in the trucking industry.

Teaching & Learning Department continues to conduct annual research to identify additional dual credit courses, both academic and CTE, that will meet the needs of Katy ISD students.

To build staff capacity across the dual credit program, the department utilized ESSER funds to create the Dual Credit Tuition Reimbursement Program. This program is designed to help current high school teachers receive credentials to teach dual credit courses by reimbursing the cost of tuition for additional graduate courses. To date, 18 new Katy ISD embedded dual credit teachers have been identified and credentialed through the program. Likewise, the Teaching & Learning Department has also created a new job description specifically designed to attract teachers from surrounding colleges and universities who are credentialed to teach dual credit.