

Parent & Community Information

PARENTAL CHOICE FOR LIBRARY MATERIALS

Parents have the ability to limit specific books their students are allowed to check out from the campus library. Directions on how to make choices regarding library materials for your students can be found on the [Parental Choice for Library Materials](#) page on the Katy ISD website.

PARENT COMMENTS PORTAL IN MYKATY



The District has established a Parent Comments Portal, in alignment with Senate Bill 12 (2025), to provide a centralized space for parents to submit comments to Board members, district administration and/or campus administration. The portal is available through the MyKaty Cloud, which all parents with enrolled students in Katy ISD can access.

PARENT NOTIFICATION OF HEALTH EDUCATION INSTRUCTION

In accordance with Senate Bill 9 and the Texas Education Code, Sec. 28.004, Katy ISD is required to inform the parent/guardian of each student enrolled in the district of the intent to offer Human Growth and Development instruction and instruction on Abuse and Violence Prevention.

Under Texas statute, parents must provide written consent for their student to participate in the lesson(s). In accordance with state law, parents and guardians have the right to review all curriculum materials used for instruction on human sexuality and abuse and violence prevention.

At least 14 days prior to the instruction, the district will share information regarding how to review the curriculum, dates of the scheduled lessons, and the procedure to give consent for your student. Students who are not given parental consent will be provided alternative lessons and will not be subject to disciplinary or academic penalties.

The Katy ISD curriculum has been adopted by the Board of Trustees with the recommendation of the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC). All lessons are aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) and meet the state's mandated requirements. Texas Health Skills for Middle School and Texas Health Skills for High School by Goodheart-Wilcox and curated resources were used to develop the Katy ISD approved curriculum materials. The content of the curriculum and the timeframe for instruction are as follows:

Elementary School (Grades 4-5)

Human Growth and Development: Human growth and development instruction will be provided in the spring. Students will learn about developmental changes that are a normal part of growing up.

Abuse and Violence Prevention: In the fall, school counselors will provide instruction to fifth graders on personal health and safety, which includes the prevention of child abuse, family violence, and sex

trafficking. Students will learn strategies to stay safe online, body boundaries, and how to report abuse.

Middle School (Grades 6-8)

Human Growth and Development: Students enrolled in PE or Athletics will receive instruction on human growth and development, including puberty, personal hygiene, abuse prevention, and disease prevention during the sixth six weeks.

Abuse and Violence Prevention: School counselors will provide instruction on healthy and unhealthy relationships and abuse and violence prevention. This instruction will take place during the 2nd nine weeks of the fall semester.

High School

Students enrolled in high school health will receive instruction on human sexuality and abuse and violence prevention during the third six weeks for students earning credit during the fall or the sixth six weeks for students earning credit in the spring. Topics covered include puberty and adolescent development, personal hygiene, dating violence, sex trafficking, abstinence, and prevention of communicable and non-communicable diseases.

If you are interested in serving on the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) and making recommendations about the curriculum used to teach these lessons, please visit the Katy ISD School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) webpage for more information.

If you have concerns or require further assistance, please follow the guidelines outlined in Board Policy FNG(LOCAL).

KATY ISD PEST AND ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

In accordance with regulation 40 CFR 763.93 and Katy ISD Board Policy CKA (LEGAL), notice of the district's pest and asbestos management plan must be posted for all staff, students and parents/guardians. If you are new to Katy ISD or would like to review the Asbestos Management Plan or Pest Management Plan, you can find them in the [Environmental & Safety](#) section of the [Maintenance and Operations Website](#).

DISTRICT PEST MANAGEMENT PLAN

The district is required to follow integrated pest management (IPM) procedures to control pests on school grounds. Although the district strives to use the safest and most effective methods to manage pests, including a variety of non-chemical control measures, pesticide use is sometimes necessary to maintain adequate pest control and ensure a safe, pest-free school environment.

All pesticides used are registered for their intended use by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and are applied only by certified pesticide applicators. Except in an emergency, signs will be posted 48 hours before indoor application. All outdoor applications will be posted at the time of treatment, and signs will remain until it is safe to enter the area. Parents who have further questions or who want to be notified prior to pesticide application inside their child's school assignment area may contact the Director of Maintenance at 281-396-2519 or the Environmental Supervisor at 281-396-2533.

ASBESTOS MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), signed into law in 1986, established the framework for a regulation which requires elementary and secondary schools to identify asbestos-containing materials in schools, institute programs aimed at minimizing the risk of exposure, and re-inspect those materials at least every three years. Katy ISD conducts biannual inspections of asbestos-containing materials and ensures compliance with the required three-year re-inspections.

The district is committed to providing a safe environment for workers, building occupants, students, parents, and legal guardians. An Asbestos Management Plan has been developed to address all Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) and Texas Asbestos Health Protection Act (TAHPA) requirements. A copy of the district's Asbestos Management Plan is available at each campus for review. The plan contains information on friable and/or non-friable asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM). 40 CFR 763.93 and Katy ISD Board Policy [CKA \(LEGAL\)](#). If you have any questions, please contact the Assistant Director of Maintenance or the Environmental Department at 281-396-2514.

BUS ROUTES & SMART TAG BUS ROUTE TRACKING APP



Parents of Bus Riders: If your student is a bus rider, look for the white route number on the side of the bus when tracking their bus this school year! And make sure to download the Smart tag™ app from your mobile Google Play or App Store in Apple! The Smart Tag app allows parents to set their preferred notifications, including when their child's bus is expected to arrive. You can also see when and where your student boards and exits the bus.

BOOK TITLES PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT DASHBOARD

Recommendations by district personnel to purchase books new to the Katy ISD circulation are available for public review and comment prior to purchase. To review and/or comment on book titles currently being considered for district purchase, please visit the Book Titles Public Review and Comment [dashboard](#).

INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES INFORMATION/REVIEWS



Board policies [EFA Local](#) - Instructional Materials and [EFB Local](#) - Library Materials were updated and approved by the Board on July 31, 2023.

Important Forms and Information:

- [Formal Request to Review an Instructional Resource](#)
- [Checklist for Reconsideration of Instructional Resources and Instructional Materials.](#)
- [Checklist for Reconsideration of Instructional Resources- Library Materials.](#)
- [Removed Instructional Resources.](#)
- [Retained Instructional Resources](#) (i.e., resources challenged, reviewed, and outcome was remain in circulation and accessible).

LIBRARY BOOK NOTIFICATIONS

In alignment with Board policy EFB Local - Library Materials the District emails all parents/guardians on file each time their student checks out a library book. Parents may opt-out of these notifications by accessing the KISD Parent Option Portal in MyKaty cloud. Visit the MyKaty cloud for a [brief video instruction on accessing the KISD Parent Option Portal](#).

KATY CORKBOARD

Stay connected and get involved using Katy ISD's [Katy Corkboard](#). This online community platform uses visually engaging flyers to offer up-to-date activities and events happening within Katy ISD. Check back throughout the year to see what is new.

COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE

This resource directory was compiled as an aid to our Katy ISD students, parents and community members in locating local resources. Inclusion in this directory does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation of services by district. This directory includes the most commonly used nonprofit, private, local, state and government resources available and is not intended to be complete. Directory information is rapidly changing and can become outdated. If you find any errors or have information on new resources for consideration, please feel free to contact KatyISDconcerns@katyisd.org.
[Community Resource Guide- English/](#) [Community Resource Guide- Spanish](#)

TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT

[Family Technology Resources & Support](#) - Great information and orientation for district technology and how to receive support.

[Password Self Service Tool](#) - Using this tool, you can retrieve your username and/or reset your password using a verification code.

[MyKaty Cloud](#) - Portal for all district applications including HAC and Canvas.

SOCIAL SECURITY SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME (SSI) PROGRAM

SSI provides monthly cash payments to help meet the basic needs of children who have a physical or mental disability. Children under age 18 can get SSI if they meet Social Security's definition of disability for children and there is limited income and resources in the household. Visit the Social Security Administration website for more information about [Supplemental Security Income \(SSI\) for Children](#).

VOLUNTEERS & RAPTOR REGISTRATION

Katy ISD requires all volunteers serving on or off-campus during or after the instructional day to register with the district through its Raptor security system.

Katy ISD's Raptor safety protocol **will require volunteers to register (or re-register) annually**, thus creating a new volunteer profile each year.

The District's Raptor Volunteer Initiative provides an **additional layer of protection** for our Katy ISD students, staff, volunteers, and visitors, prioritizing the safety and security of our entire Katy ISD family.

Once registered and approved, individual volunteers can submit and track hours via their volunteer profile **for every Katy ISD campus at which they volunteer**. The system also provides **quick and easy submission** of individual **off-campus** volunteer hours.

Learn more about the [Raptor Volunteer Initiative](#) on the district's website.

ARE YOU HERE TO VOLUNTEER?

Katy ISD requires all volunteers serving on or off-campus during or after the instructional day to register with the district through its Raptor security system.

Join our volunteer community and register today with these easy steps:

STEP 1: District-Required Volunteer Registration

Complete the district-required volunteer registration and create your personal profile.

STEP 2: Contact Your Campus

Once registered, contact your campus volunteer organization to sign up for specific activities.

Sign up, show up & log your hours on your personal volunteer portal!

Log Hours Here:



IT ALL ADDS UP!
www.katyisd.org/partnersineducation



PARENT COMMUNITY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY



In partnership with the Texas Education Agency (TEA), Crime Stoppers Houston hosts the webinar series: S.A.V.E. (Safety Awareness. Valuable Education). This series serves as a platform for discussion on many topics that concern the safety of our schools and community. These topics include: mental health, human trafficking, social media and internet safety. Please see the link for upcoming webinars available. [S.A.V.E. Webinar Series](#)

KATY ISD IS HIRING!

Bus drivers, food service, custodial, repair teams, teachers, aides, and more! bit.ly/ApplyKatyISD