



Course Offerings for Current 7th Graders

Beck Junior High School 2026-2027

Use this list of courses as a guide to help you select your classes in SchoolLinks. Each student must select one course from each of the required areas: **English, Math, Science, Social Studies and PE**. Students planning for 8th grade will select two elective courses. Students may not receive their first choice elective due to insufficient enrollment in a course, scheduling conflict, or over enrollment in course. Final placement into courses is contingent upon campus approval. GT placement requires the student to have met specific Katy ISD screening criteria.

REQUIRED COURSES - 8th Grade

ENGLISH

J802	English 8
J806	English 8 KAP
G806	English 8 GT*

MATH

J811	Math 8
J0211EXZ	Algebra I (high school credit)
G0214EXZ	Algebra I GT* (high school credit)

SCIENCE

J830	Science 8
J833	Science 8 KAP
G833	Science 8 KAP/GT*

SOCIAL STUDIES

J820	Social Studies 8
J824	Social Studies 8 KAP
G824	Social Studies 8 KAP/GT*

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

J880	PE 8 - Boys
J881	PE 8 - Girls
J887	Dance

Coaches will give counselors a list of students to place in Athletics in April

* GT course placement requires the student to meet specific Katy ISD screening criteria.

ELECTIVE COURSES

FINE ARTS

One year of junior high Fine Arts is required for all students. ALL Fine Art Placement is based on Director Approval

~~J911~~	~~Art 1~~
~~J912~~	~~Art 2~~
J7511Z	Art I (high school credit)
~~J921~~	~~Band 1~~
~~J922~~	~~Band 2~~
~~J923~~	~~Band 3~~
~~J931~~	~~Orchestra 1~~
~~J932~~	~~Orchestra 2~~
~~J933~~	~~Orchestra 3~~
~~J941~~	~~Theatre 1~~
~~J942~~	~~Theatre 2~~
~~J943~~	~~Theatre 3~~
J951	Choir 1 - Boys
J952	Choir 2 - Boys
J953	Choir 3 - Boys
J961	Choir 1 - Girls
J962	Choir 2 - Girls
J963	Choir 3 - Girls

WORLD LANGUAGES

All World Languages are for high school credit

J6319Z	Spanish I
J6361	Spanish for Spanish Speakers I (fall)
J6362	Spanish for Spanish Speakers II (spring)

CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY ELECTIVE COURSES (CTE)

All CTE are for high school credit

J8353Z	Principles of Human Services
J8616Z	Principles of Applied Engineering
~~J8043Z~~	~~Principles of Manufacturing~~
~~J8644Z~~	~~Principles of Info Tech~~
J8037Z	Principles of Arts, A/V Tech & Communications
J8601Z	Foundation of Business Communications & Tech
J0072Z	Career Launchpad

OTHER ELECTIVE COURSES

~~J999~~	~~LeadWorthy~~
~~J998~~	~~Peer Assistance Leadership (application required)~~
~~J755~~	~~Publications 1 (application required)~~
~~J855~~	~~Publications 2 (application required)~~
~~J300~~	~~Student Aide (application required)~~

Reading Elective and Math Lab are intervention courses that may be required for students who did not pass the STAAR and/or based upon documented reading and/or math levels. These courses will take the place of the student's PE or Elective.

Directions for entering course requests in Schoolinks



KISD Course Catalog- View to read course descriptions

WHY YOUR 3-YEAR PLAN MATTERS

THE COURSES YOU CHOOSE IN 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH GRADE HELP SET YOU UP FOR HIGH SCHOOL SUCCESS.

YOUR CHOICES CAN:

- **MEET GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS** IN MATH, FINE ARTS, LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH.
- HELP YOU **EARN AN ENDORSEMENT** (A SPECIAL FOCUS AREA ON YOUR HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA)
- PREPARE YOU FOR **CAREER PATHWAYS** AND **COLLEGE OPTIONS**

EXAMPLES OF HOW CHOICES CREATE A PATH FOR FUTURE YEARS:

- **CHOOSING KAP** (ADVANCED) CLASSES IN ELAR, MATH, SCIENCE, OR SOCIAL STUDIES CAN PREPARE YOU FOR:
 - **STEM ENDORSEMENT** (SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, MATH)
 - **MULTIDISCIPLINARY ENDORSEMENT** (TAKING ADVANCED COURSES IN MULTIPLE SUBJECTS)
 - READINESS FOR **AP** AND/OR **DUAL CREDIT** COURSES
- ADDING A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH (LOTE) LIKE SPANISH CAN LEAD TO:
 - **ARTS & HUMANITIES ENDORSEMENT**
- TAKING FINE ARTS (BAND, CHOIR, ORCHESTRA, ART, THEATRE) CAN SET YOU UP FOR:
 - **ARTS & HUMANITIES ENDORSEMENT**
 - OPPORTUNITIES IN PERFORMANCE, DESIGN, AND CREATIVE CAREERS
- EXPLORING CTE (CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION) ELECTIVES LIKE BUSINESS, ENGINEERING, TECHNOLOGY, HUMAN SERVICES, OR MANUFACTURING CAN LEAD TO:
 - **PUBLIC SERVICES ENDORSEMENT**
 - **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY ENDORSEMENT**
 - ENTRY TO THE **MILLER CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER** PROGRAMS THAT REQUIRE PREREQUISITES

IMPORTANT TIP: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS MAY NOT MEET COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS. CHECK COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS WHEN PLANNING YOUR COURSES.

Some electives can help you earn high school credit (~) or begin to explore pathways (*)

8th Grade Electives

- Art 1 or 2
- Art 1 High School Credit ~
- Band 1, 2 or 3
- Choir 1, 2 or 3 (Boys/Girls)
- Orchestra 1, 2 or 3
- Theatre 1, 2 or 3
- Career Launchpad ~
- Foundation of Business Communication & Technologies ~*
- Principles of Applied Engineering ~*
- Principles of Arts, A/V Tech & Communications ~*
- Principles of Human Services ~*
- Principles of Information Technology ~*
- Principles of Manufacturing ~*
- Spanish 1
- Spanish for Spanish Speakers 1 & 2 ~*
- Leadworthy
- Peer Assistance Leadership (PAL)
- Publications 1 or 2*
- Student Aide