# BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT 2024-2025

JOHN F. KENNEDY HIGH SCHOOL

## **9TH GRADE ACADEMIES**

To help address some of these challenges, we have created three 9th grade academies to help students develop a sense of community.

- Your student's academy is based on their English teacher.
- 9th grade teachers (English, Bio & Social Studies) are able to work together more closely to support students academically across disciplines.
- Academies will host in-school events to help foster relationships so students feel fully invested and engaged in the school as a whole.
- Targeted interventions will be developed for students needing additional support.
  - Ask your student if they are a PUMA, MOUNTAIN LION OR CATAMOUNT.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you have questions, please contact me: Dr. Siobhan Reilley, 9th Grade Coordinator <u>siobhan-reilley@scusd.edu</u>

Other resources: <u>Counseling at JFK</u> (appointments) <u>Student Support Center</u> <u>Principal Brown</u> <u>Infinite Campus Log-In</u>



#### **COUNSELING TEAM**

Students are assigned to their counselor based on

the first letter of their last name.

For the most part remain with the same counselor all 4 years of high school.

Counselors help with:

★ ACADEMICS
★ COLLEGE AND CAREER PLANNING
★ SOCIAL EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## HOW TO MEET WITH YOUR COUNSELOR

 $\star$  Visit the counseling office during your lunch

#### ★ After school

#### ★ By appointment

- Appointments can be made by emailing your counselor
- Booking on our calendly link (which is barcoded around the school, in each classroom and on our JFK website)



Ms. Reed A-Da



Mr. Martinez De-J



Mrs. Fraley K-0



Ms. Avelar P-Sh



Si-Z



Mr. Ramirez **Career Tech** 



College & Career Counselor



Ms. M



**Counseling Team** 



Ms. Zhou





# **GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Students need 225 credits to graduate from high school

★ All students are scheduled in 60 units per school year

★ Summer school and credit recovery available for 10th-12th grade students

★ A-G College entrance requirements vs. graduation requirements

## **SCUSD GRADUATION REQUIREMENT**

	Subject Area	JFK Graduation Requirements (Must pass with a D or better)	A-G requirements UC/CSU (Must pass with a C or better)
А	Social Studies	4 years (Geography, World History, US History, Gov't/Econ)	2 years (Example: World History, US History)
В	English	4 years (English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12)	4 years (English 9, English 10, English 11, English 12)
с	Mathematics	2 years (Example: Math 1, Math 2)	3 years (Example: Math 1, Math 2, <b>Math 3</b> )
D	Science	2 years (Example: Biology, Chemistry)	2 years (Example: Biology, <b>Chemistry or Physics</b> )
E	World Language	1 year	<b>2 or 3 years</b> (Must be in the same language)
F	Visual & Performing Art	1 year	1 year (Must be a yearlong course)
	Physical Education	2 years	0 years
G	Electives	Total of 65 credits	1 year (1 year must be from subjects listed in A-F)
	Credits	225	



#### ACADEMY, PATHWAY AND PROGRAM OFFERINGS

JFK offers the following amazing academic programs/pathways to help prepare your student for a promising future!

- ★ AP Capstone (PACE)
- $\star$  Manufacturing and Design, Robotics Team
- ★ Culinary
- ★ Automotive (Electronic Vehicle)
- ★ Criminal Justice
- ★ MCJROTC (Marine Corp)
- ★ Dual Enrollment (college courses)
- ★ ASSETS (after school program)

## AP CAPSTONE (ADVANCED PLACEMENT)

AP Capstone (Advanced Placement Capstone Diploma Program), is a 2-year program developed by the College Board that consists of two courses: the AP Seminar and AP Research

Students participating have the option to earn the *AP Seminar and Research Certificate* or by participating in four additional AP courses, the *AP Capstone Diploma*.

JFK is the only high school in the SCUSD offering this nationally recognized program. Participation in the program can help students with the following:

- $\star$  Stand out to colleges in the application process.
- ★ Develop key academic skills they'll use in other classes, college, and beyond.
- $\star$  Become self-confident, independent thinkers and problem solvers.
- $\star$  Earn college credit: Many colleges offer credit for qualifying scores.



### AP COURSE OFFERINGS AND LINKS

- ★ AP Seminar
- ★ AP Research
- ★ AP English Language and Composition
- ★ AP English Literature and Composition
- ★ AP Biology
- ★ AP Chemistry
- ★ AP Environmental Science
- ★ AP Psychology
- ★ AP Spanish Language and Culture

- ★ AP United States Government and Politics
- ★ AP United States History
- ★ AP World History: Modern
- $\star$  AP Computer Science Principles
- ★ AP Precalculus
- ★ AP Calculus AB
- ★ AP Calculus BC
- $\star$  AP Statistics

Please visit the College Board site for further detailed information: <u>https://apcentral.collegeboard.org/courses/ap-capstone</u>

### **ACADEMY WEBSITES**

Manufacturing and Design (MaD)

http://www.jfkmad.com/

Zero Emission Pathway https://sites.google.com/scusd.edu/jfk-zero-emissions-pathway/home?authuser=0

MCJROTC

https://sites.google.com/view/jfkmcjrotc/home?authuser=2

ASSETS (not yet updated for 24-25) https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/15S3azj1ukCwoRS1-4NE\_acNC6ysWcJT1/edit?gi d=2097911553#gid=2097911553

# STUDENT SUPPORT CENTER

#### **Our Purpose**

To support students' academic success and social/emotional well-being.

#### **Services Provided:**

- Mental health counseling
- Support groups
- Mentoring
- Referrals to school and community resources
- School supplies and backpacks

John F. Kennedy Student Support Center

Family Referral:

