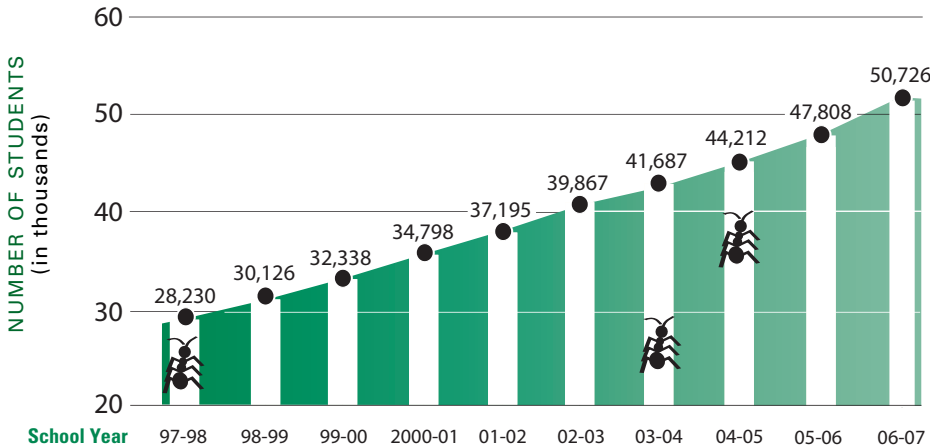
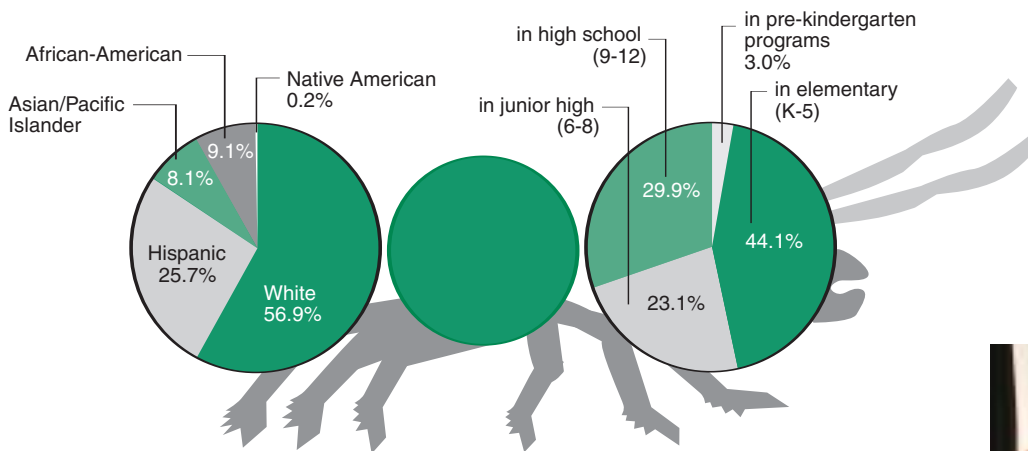


Leaps and Bounds: Students

Enrollment history



A profile of Katy's kids*



- 91.2% College-Bound**
- 38.3% At-Risk
- 23.3% Low-Income
- 11.1% Limited-English-Proficient
- 3.5% New Immigrants
- 9.4% in Special Education
- 10.3% in Career-Technology Education
- 3.9% in Bilingual
- 6.8% in English as a Second Language
- 5.9% in Gifted/Talented
- 9.1% in Title I Compensatory

* Source: PEIMS snapshot data for 2006-07
 ** Source of PEIMS college-bound data is student self-reports

Taking the challenge

High school students throughout the district stepped up to Rachel's Challenge, a nationally acclaimed student safety initiative arising from the 1999 Columbine tragedy. Speakers made the rounds during daytime assemblies at all six high schools, and Morton Ranch and Seven Lakes High Schools hosted evening community presentations for parents and other students. Attended by hundreds of students, parents, educators and community leaders, the compelling program stressed hope, compassion and kindness as antidotes to anger, hatred and violence. One of the featured speakers was Columbine survivor Craig Scott, whose sister Rachel was the first student killed in the shooting. Rachel's Challenge urges students to commit to acts of compassion that can spark a chain reaction throughout a school and community.

Beck 8th grader Jiawei Li captured his second consecutive **state championship** in the **Texas Geography Bee**.

Scott Attaway of Cinco Ranch Junior High took home top honors in the middle school division of the 2007 **American Chemical Society Poster Contest**.

It was a repeat win for Nottingham Country Elementary's Christopher Thang, 1st grade winner in the 2007 **PBS Reading Rainbow Young Writers and Illustrators Contest**. Last year he earned first place in the Kindergarten category.

Poetry by Erika Rodriguez of Mayde Creek High School won the 2007 **National American Voices Award** in the National Scholastic Writing competition.

Taylor High School student Frank Li was one of a three-member team that won the **World Scholar's Cup** competition in Seoul, Korea. Li was also the highest-scoring student in the 2007 **Texas Academic Decathlon** Tournament.

Brian Agler of Cinco Ranch High School argued his way to the 5A state **UIL championship in Lincoln-Douglas Debate**.

Zijie Zhou of Seven Lakes High School emerged as the 2007 4A **UIL Physics Individual State Champion**.



For the first time, top graduates from Morton Ranch High School joined the ranks of students honored with the district's Student Excellence Awards. 12 stand-out seniors from each high school and 2 from Miller Career and Technology Center, along with their parents and most outstanding teachers, are special guests at an annual dinner sponsored by the Communications Department.