

What's a School-Parent Compact?

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PLAN OF ACTION

**IT'S A PLAN DEVELOPED JOINTLY
THAT EXPLAINS WHAT TEACHERS,
OTHER SCHOOL STAFF AND PARENTS
NEED TO DO TO HELP CHILDREN MEET
STATE EDUCATION STANDARDS.**



Required



A school that has a school-wide Title I program must have a compact for all its children.



Why Should I Learn About School-Parent Compacts?



A Compact helps everyone, including:

- **Parents – see the Parent section of your school compact**
- **Schools - see the School section of your school compact**
- **Children- see the Student section of your school compact**

More about the school compact -

- **Every Title I school must have a plan/policy to inform parents on how they become more involved in their child's education. A compact helps carry out the plan/policy.**
- **Meetings with parents took place in Spring, 2009, to review and plan for the 2009-2010 Compact and school plan.**
- **The Compact should be explained to parents and discussed at parent-teacher conferences throughout the year.**

Parents Responsibilities



Every school is different, but some parent responsibilities would be the same at every school:

- **Make sure your child gets to school**
- **Read to your child**
- **Limit television viewing**
- **Talk about school**
- **Make a time and a place for studying**
- **Check your child's assignments**
- **Review report cards with your child**

Make it a Team Effort



Parents, as partners with the school:

- **Keep in touch with the school**
 - **Attend workshops**
 - **Go to conferences**
 - **Be a school volunteer**
- **Join a parents organization**
- **Encourage your child to follow all school rules**

School Responsibilities



Administration, teachers and school staff should:

- **Make school a positive place**
- **Provide services**
- **Work toward excellence**
- **Make requirements clear**
- **Support learning through homework**
- **Provide opportunities for parents to get involved**
- **Encourage parents to share their opinions**
- **Suggest ways parents can support learning at home.**

Keeping Up to Date



- **Progress reports**
- **Meetings with parents**
- **Newsletters and notices**

Student Responsibilities



- Complete all schoolwork on time - neatly - following directions
- Come to school prepared on time – ready to learn
 - Show respect following rules – getting along
 - Watch less TV

Additional Information



- Be sure you have a copy of the Compact and understand the content. Discuss at conferences with the teacher.
- Parents are not required to take part in the Compact or sign it – it is not legally binding, but by signing it, you show your support for the goals.
- If you don't agree with parts of it, offer to participate in the next compact review.

Let's Make the Grade!



- **Join the team**
School staff, parents, and teachers
- **Promote learning**
Encourage hard work and a love of learning
- **Prepare your child for the future**
Encourage good study habits

Remember -



*“You’re always welcome in your child’s school.
Teachers and other school staff want to work
with you!”*