What is a School-Family Compact?

A School-Family Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how families and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe and participate in the classroom

Jointly Developed

The families, students and staff of West Bristol School developed this School-Family Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific and students told us what would help them learn.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments and ideas at any time

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe please contact **West Bristol PTO** at <u>west-bristolpto@yahoo.com</u> or visit our school Web site and click on the **PTO Button.**

Building Partnerships

- McDonald's night was a huge success helping our third grade classes raise money for our field trips for this year.
- Fall parent conferences was a great opportunity for staff and families to meet and discuss student progress.
- Our November Literacy Night was a huge success!

Future Events:

- Spring Conferences
- Chaperoning Field Trips
- March Literacy Event

Detailed information will be sent home.

Communication about Student Learning

West Bristol School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about your children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Daily Homework/Behavior Planner
- Parent Teacher Conferences in October and April
- Notices
- Email

Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by phone (860-584-7815) or email. E-mail addresses are on the school web site at www.bristolk12.ct.us

West Bristol K-8 SCHOOL-FAMILY COMPACT FOR ACHIEVEMENT 2019-2020

3rd Grade Focus



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Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

By June 2019 all students will be at grade level or higher in both math and reading. We achieve these goals by:

- ensuring that all students learn in a community of highly committed, dynamic and passionate individuals;
- improving central office and building systems, organizational structures and services to foster a safe and positive learning environment, and utilize resources most efficiently;
- expanding and increasing community partnerships that meet in and out of school needs of students and families in order to improve student outcomes;
- putting students at the center of their learning to guarantee they have the knowledge, skills, voice and social emotional skills to be successful in post secondary learning, career, and life.

More specifically, Bristol Public Schools will:

- design opportunities for learning that reflect high expectations for all students;
- guarantee challenging, engaging, and intentional instruction;
- ensure that students are achieving through frequent progress monitoring of formal and informal assessments and find pathways for students to succeed;
- provide children with academic and social-emotional supports within a safe and positive school climate; and
- encourage students to attend school routinely and to miss only when absolutely necessary.

West Bristol School Goals

By June 2020 state school goal in math and reading:

Our instructional focus will be:

- To improve the learning opportunities for all students through comprehensive unit planning, assessment and instruction.
- Develop a warm and caring learning environment where all students feel safe and welcome.

Teachers, Families, Students—Together for Success

In our 3rd Grade Classrooms

The 3rd grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math.

Some of our key connections will be:

- Written response to multiple texts across all subject areas.
- Mastering math facts of addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.
- Exposing students to more informational texts
- Exploring communities and regions
- Explore a variety of Science concepts such as matter, rocks and minerals, and plants and animals
- Students will be focusing on opinion, reports, and research in writing.

At Home

West Bristol School families joined staff to develop ideas on how families can support students' success in reading and math.

- Read with your child every day and ask questions about what they read
- Have your child practice reading out loud
- Practice math facts each night with your child
- Check your child's homework each night and check their planner
- Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep
- Allow your child to play educational games on a computer, tablet, or smart phone

West Bristol Students

West Bristol School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas on how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math and reading. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and at school.

- Practice our math facts, especially the ones we don't know yet
- Asks your teachers and parents questions when we are unsure of what to do
- Record and complete our homework each night
- Show our parents our planners and have them sign it
- Follow PACK Pride