

What is a School-Parent Compact?

A *School-Parent Compact for Achievement* is an agreement that parents, students, and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all of 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 teachers, parents, and students of Smith Elementary jointly developed this School-Parent Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents provided their inputs to make strategies more specific, and students provided ideas of what they could do to help them be academically successful in school. Input meetings are held each year to review and revise the school parent compact based on the school's academic achievement goals and students' needs.

The School-Parent Compact is a document which is aligned with the school goals. It is intended to guide student instruction and parental involvement during the school year.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mrs. Dorcas Sola, parent liaison at 770-960-5750 or dorcas.sola@clayton.k12.ga.us

Building Partnerships

Smith Elementary offers ongoing events to build partnerships with families. Parents are encouraged to participate in the following school activities:

- Meet and Greet
- Annual Title I Meeting
- Curriculum Night
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Parent Academy Workshops
- STEAM Festival
- Bring Your Parent to School Day
- Grade Level Parent Meetings
- GMAS Parent Information
- Career Day
- Spring Carnival
- School Council
- Volunteering/Observing
- PTA

Communication about Student Learning

Smith Elementary is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student's learning. We will actively keep parents informed and build strong positive relationships through:

- Providing frequent reports to parents on their children's progress.
- Providing parent-teacher conferences at least twice a year where this compact will be discussed as the compact relates to the individual child's achievement.
- Providing reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and observe classroom activities.
- Providing information through the use of
 - ✓ school marquee and website
 - ✓ phone calls and school messenger
 - ✓ emails and text messages
 - ✓ Monthly calendar and newsletter
 - ✓ Flyers and letters
 - ✓ weekly homework folders/agendas
 - ✓ Infinite Campus Parent Portal

2017-2018

**SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT
FOR ACHIEVEMENT**

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**5th Grade Focus
For Student Success**



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Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for 2017-2018 are:

All schools in the district will increase the College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score by 3%.

Fifth Grade School Goals

Reading:

By May 2018, the percentage of student performing at the proficient or distinguished level in Reading will increase by 3% as indicated by the Georgia Milestones.

- Text-based evidence
- Author's point of view
- Main idea
- Context clues
- Compare and contrast

Math

By May 2018, the percentage of student performing at the proficient or distinguished level in Math will increase by 3% as indicated by the Georgia Milestones.

- Numbers and Operations
- Algebra
- Geometry

Teachers, Parents, Students – Together for Success

The 5th grade team will:

- Provide families with reading fluency and comprehension practice weekly.
- Provide families with study websites to practice reading and math skills at home.
- Provide families with teachers created study guides for each unit to use for additional practice at home to help students prepare for reading and math assessments.
- Provide families with math websites to build student skills in numbers and operations, algebra, and geometry.

Parents will:

- Ensure their child uses the weekly fluency and comprehension practice sent home by the teacher.
- Allow their child to use study websites to practice reading and math skills at home.
- Help their child prepare for reading and math assessments using the unit study guides provided by teacher.
- Allow their child to use math websites to build student skills in numbers and operations, algebra, and geometry.
- Encourage their child to read daily for 30 minutes and ask comprehension questions.
- Check book bags and agendas daily.
- Read, sign, and return all notices received from the school.

Students will:

- Use the weekly reading fluency and comprehension practice sent home by the teacher.
- Use the study websites provided by the teacher to practice reading and math skills at home.
- Prepare for reading and math assessments using the unit study guides provided by the teacher.
- Use math websites to build their skills in numbers and operations, algebra, and geometry.
- Read daily for 30 minutes and with their family to increase fluency and comprehension.
- Complete homework and submit all assignments on time.
- Give all notices and information received from the school to their parents.