

# 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 our students reach grade level standards.

## EFFECTIVE COMPONENTS

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

## COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING

Elite Scholars Academy Charter School is committed to frequent two-way communication with our families regarding their child's learning. We will:

- Update the school website
- Provide frequent reports to parents on their children's progress
- Provide parent-teacher conference which will be held annually, during which the compact shall be discussed as the compact relates to the individual child's achievement
- Provide parents reasonable access to opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and observation of the classroom.

# JOINTLY DEVELOPED

**The parents, students, and staff of Elite Scholars Academy will revise strategies for this School-Parent Compact for Achievement as needed, based on the changing needs of the students.**

**Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.**

**If you would like to volunteer and/or observe in the classroom, please contact the school office at 770-472-2823 or email Ms. Cheryl Williams at [cheryl.williams@clayton.k12.ga.us](mailto:cheryl.williams@clayton.k12.ga.us)**

**Activities to Develop Partnerships:**  
**Parent Universities (announced by counselor)**  
**Parent Teacher Conference Days**  
**Monthly PTSA/Governance Council Meetings**



School-Parent-Student Compact  
Grades 6-12  
2021-2022  
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ELITE SCHOLARS ACADEMY

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## Our Goals for Student Achievement

Elite Scholars Academy administrators and teachers have evaluated student performance data to determine areas needing improvement to increase proficiency in all academic areas.

### District Instructional

#### Priorities

The district has identified four instructional priorities on which we will focus our work:

- Literacy across the curriculum
- Numeracy across the curriculum
- Critical thinking
- Integrating technology into the curriculum

The content area goals at ESA are aligned with the district, state and national goals of preparing students to be college or career ready when they exit Elite Scholars. Instructional time will focus on understanding and application of major concepts or themes in each of the content areas:

Math: Algebra, Geometry, Statistics, and Number System Fluency.

Language Arts: Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking.

Social Studies: Geography, Economics, Government, History, and Psychology.

Science: Earth and Life Science, Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

## In the Classrooms

Education is a partnership between home and school. We value parent involvement at every level and encourage you to partner with us. In order for this partnership to be effective, we need to be able to communicate.

Please feel free to call, write a note, or e-mail us if you have concerns or questions about your child's education. We are always available to schedule a conference to discuss any issue or concern you have regarding your child. **Please contact grade level chairs via email to schedule a conference.**

Translators are available at no cost through the Clayton County School District. If you speak a different language, you may request a translator. You may also send a note in your native language. We will have it translated and respond as soon as possible.

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We are committed to providing your child with the best possible experience. Each teacher offers tutorial at least one day each week. Please check each teacher's syllabus or website to confirm the day of the week for their tutorial.

## At Home

Elite Scholars Academy parents will join staff to develop ideas on how families can best support student success in reading, language arts, math, science, and social studies. Families may have other ideas to add to the list. They may include:

-Attending Family Literacy Nights, Math/Science Nights, Parent Workshops/Universities, PTSA meetings, and Parent/Teacher conferences

-Using materials available in the Parent Resource Center that can be checked out and used at home.

-Creating word games with new vocabulary and finding ways to use these words in family conversations

-Have a "tech free" day. Have your child turn off electronic devices.

-Ask your child about school and take an interest in what they are learning.

-Designate a homework/study area at home.

-Make sure they get enough sleep.

-Set limits on the amount of television they watch.

-Make sure they have enough to eat. (We have a free breakfast and lunch program available at Elite Scholars Academy.)

Check the teacher websites and online grade books weekly.

**When teachers, students, and families are united together we achieve more!**