

# 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!”*