

School-Parent Compact 2016-2017

R.J. Murray Middle School

Compact: Shared Responsibilities for High Student Academic Achievement 1118(d)

It is important that families and schools work together to help students achieve high academic standards. Through a process that included teachers, families, students, and community representatives, the following are agreed upon roles and responsibilities that we, as partners, will carry out to support student success in school and in life:

R.J. Murray Middle School Pledge

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet Florida's student academic achievement standards as follows:
 - Communicate high expectations for every student.
 - Endeavor to motivate our students to learn.
 - Teach and involve students in classes that are interesting and challenging.
 - Participate in professional development opportunities that improve teaching and learning.
 - Support the formation of partnerships with families and the community.
 - Enforce rules equitably and involve students in creating a warm and caring learning environment in the class.
2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's academic achievement.
 - Communicate regularly with families about their child's progress in school.
 - Provide opportunity for conferences.
 - Provide assistance to families on what they can do to support their child's learning.
 - Participate in shared decision making with other school staff and families for the benefit of students.
 - Respect the school, staff, students, and families.
3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:
 - All grade levels send home Interim Report Cards.
 - All grade levels send home Quarterly Report Cards.
 - Parent Assistant – (HAC) Keep Gradebook up to date.
 - Teacher Website: Post homework, daily assignments, and due date on teacher websites
4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
 - Parents may make a request to meet with the staff via a telephone call, e-mail, note from home, or in person at the school. Each teacher is responsible for setting up individual parent-teacher conferences as requested or needed.
 - School administration, faculty, and staff are accessible by telephone and email. The staff's email addresses are provided through the school web page.
5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer in their children's school and to participate in their children's class and observe classroom activities, as follows:
 - The school has a parent volunteer who acts as the school's Volunteer Coordinator. Please contact front office to make sure you are cleared to volunteer.

Parents Pledge

We will support our child's learning by:

- Ensure my child attends school on time every day and gets plenty of sleep.
- Support the school's Discipline and Dress code.
- Provide a quiet time and place for homework.
- Making sure that my child's homework is completed and turned in on time.
- Monitoring the amount of television my child watches and make sure my child reads every day.
- Participate in school, home, and community sponsored activities.
- Establish an active Home Access Center (HAC) account and a LiveSchool Account. I will log into each account at least once a week
- Regularly monitor my child's progress in school by checking my child's grades through HAC at least once a week.
- Staying informed about children's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district, either received by children, sent via email or posted on school website.
- Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as; serving on the Title I, Part A Parent Involvement Team and Policy Advisory Committee, the District Wide Policy Advisory Council, the School Advisory Committee, the School Improvement Team.
- Participate in shared decision making with school staff and other families for the benefit of the students.
- Make every effort to attend school events such as parent-teacher conferences, Open House, Annual Meeting,
- Talk to my child about the value of education and learning.
- Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
- Respect the school, staff, students, and families.

Students Pledge

I will share the responsibility to improve my academic achievement and achieve Florida's high standards in the following ways:

- Come to school on time, ready to learn and work hard.
- Believe that I can learn and will learn.
- Set aside time every day to complete my homework assignments.
- Return to my teachers completed assignments and homework on time.
- Know and follow the school and classroom rules.
- Keep my Bulldog Binder organized.
- Use my Cornell Notes and Interactive Notebook each night to review what I have learned.
- Communicate with my parents and teachers about school so that they can help me to be successful.
- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.
- Read at least 20 minutes, five days a week.
- Log into my HAC account to check my grades at least once a week.
- Log into my LiveSchool account at least once a week to monitor my positive behavior rewards.
- Respect the school, classmates, staff, and families. Practice the Pillars of Character every day.

Student Signature

Print Name

Date

Parent Signature

Print Name

Date