

MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM  
SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

**Kate Shepard Elementary School**

*The Kate Shepard Elementary School and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I. Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) (participating children) agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.*

This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2024-2025.

**School Responsibilities**

**Kate Shepard Elementary will:**

**1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:**

- Provide high-quality, rigorous classroom instruction to all students.
- Use effective, research-based teaching strategies when teaching concepts to ensure all students meet the State's academic achievement standards.
- Facilitate positive communication between administrators, teachers, parents, and students and foster a warm parent friendly atmosphere.

**2. Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:**

- PK-2 grades will hold two conferences (one per semester).
- 3-5 grades will hold two conferences (one per semester).
- Parents may request additional conferences by calling the school office or by sending a written request to the teacher or principal to schedule an appointment.
- Appointments may be set during the teacher's planning and conferencing period or before or after school.

**3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specially, the school will provide reports as follows:**

- Mid-quarter reports will be sent home during the fifth week of the quarter.
- Report cards will be sent home at the end of the quarter.

**4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:**

- Parents may request conferences, in addition to the required conferences.
- Parents may contact faculty by telephone, note/letter, or by email.

**5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:**

- Please contact the principal and/or office staff for specific opportunities to volunteer.

**6. Ensure regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that family members can understand.**

Information is provided as requested in the parent's native language or an interpreter is requested from the English Language Director to assist the parent in fully understanding the information provided.

**Parent Responsibilities**

**We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:**

- Supply my child with appropriate school supplies.
- Be responsible for my child's punctuality and school attendance.
- Support discipline policies of the classroom and school.
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education.
- Maintain a time and place for homework and review it regularly.
- Actively encourage and stay involved in what my child is learning.
- Adhere to arrival and dismissal policies and procedures.
- Stay informed about my child's education and communicate with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.

**Students Responsibilities**

**We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:**

- Work hard to do my best in class and ask for help when I do not understand something.
- Complete and return homework assignments.
- Attend school regularly.
- Bring appropriate supplies to school.
- Adhere to regular study hours.
- Keep parents informed of school activities by bringing home bulletins, announcements, etc.

*Angela Lincicum*  
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School Representative Signature (Principal)

5/6/24

Date

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Parent Signature(s)

Date

Middle Copy-Teacher

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Student Signature

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