



Elsinboro Township School District

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School-Parent Compact

The Elsinboro Township School and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (participating children), agree that this compact outlines how the parents and the entire school staff 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 challenging State academic standards.

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

Required School-Parent Compact Provisions

School Responsibilities

The Elsinboro Township School will:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the challenging State academic standards as follows;
Elsinboro School will provide high-quality curriculum and instruction by adhering to established educational standards and employing evidence-based teaching strategies. Educators will utilize various engaging and inclusive instructional materials tailored to meet diverse student needs and learning styles. This includes access to up-to-date technology, differentiated instruction, and resources that foster critical thinking and problem-solving skills. The learning environment will be supportive and effective by promoting a culture of respect, inclusion, and collaboration. Teachers will maintain clear and consistent expectations while providing timely feedback and personalized support. Elsinboro School will ensure small group or one-on-one interventions as needed and prioritize students' emotional and social well-being through programs that encourage positive behavior and resilience. Regular communication with families will also be key to student success.
2. Hold parent-teacher conferences annually during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held in November 2024.

3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.
Specifically, Elsinboro School will provide parents with frequent updates on their children's progress through multiple channels. Report cards will be issued at the end of each quarterly marking period, and progress reports will be shared mid-marking period to highlight students' performance. Parents will also have 24/7 access to their child's academic information via the Parent Portal, OnCourse Connect. Additional communication will include direct contact from teachers, letters, and updates shared through the school's Facebook page. The school will also utilize Finalsite Connect to send timely calls, texts, and emails, ensuring parents stay informed and engaged in their child's education.
4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff during Parent-Teacher Conferences as well as on an as-needed basis via phone conferences, and/or email messages.
5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows;
Elsinboro School offers parents various opportunities to volunteer, participate, and observe classroom activities. Events such as Family Day, Muffins with Mom, Donuts for Dad, Donuts with Grown-Ups, and Grandparents Day will encourage family involvement. Programs like Mystery Readers and Career Day will allow parents to engage directly with students in the classroom. Parents can also serve as Classroom Parents to assist with parties and activities. Elsinboro School and Home Association provides volunteering opportunities for school-wide events, while concerts and game club activities invite families to participate in and support their children's extracurricular interests. These events foster a strong school-community connection.

Parent Responsibilities

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

- Monitoring attendance, tardiness, and dismissals prior to the end of the school day.
- Making sure homework is completed when assigned.
- Monitoring the amount of television watched by my children.
- Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.
- Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating 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.
- Serving, to the extent possible, on school-based advisory groups