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 Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Homeroom Teacher \_\_\_\_\_



**Semmes Middle School**  
**SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT**  
 Mobile County Public School System



This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2023-2024.

The Semmes Middle 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.

**School Responsibilities**

**Semmes Middle School 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:**  
*Teachers will use the Alabama State Courses of Study and the Mobile County Public School System Core Curriculum and College and Career Ready Standards for instruction. A variety of resources and instructional strategies will be used to master these objectives, and lessons will incorporate manipulatives and technology as much as possible based on assessment driven data. In addition, we will promote positive and meaningful communication between teachers, parents, and students and work to ensure that our school is a safe and secure learning environment.*
2. **Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:**  
*Parent-teacher conferences will be held in October. Individual conferences may be requested at any time by contacting the teacher or grade level counselor.*
3. **Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:**  
*Progress reports are sent every Friday through Schoology, unless notified otherwise. Report cards will be distributed within one (1) week from the end of each quarter. Schoology username and passwords will be distributed to parents who request, so student progress and attendance may be monitored via the internet. Two parent computers are available during the school day for parent access.*
4. **Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:**  
*Open House will be held during the month of August. This is a time for parents to meet their child's teachers and learn expectations. Parents may send notes and e-mails to teachers or call the school office to leave a message for the teachers at any time. The office staff will promptly give phone messages to teachers. Teachers will return phone calls and answer e-mails as soon as possible.*
5. **Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:**  
*Semmes Middle communicates regularly the need for volunteers and assists parents individually or in groups to guide activities. A Volunteer Parent Meeting will be held during 1<sup>st</sup> quarter where parents may sign up to assist in many areas throughout the school. In addition, parents are invited and encouraged to participate in field trips, book fairs, field days, sports activities, or any other events planned throughout the year. Parents are welcome to observe classroom activities.*
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.**  
*Semmes Middle school will provide meaningful communication between family members and school staff in a language family members can understand.*

**Parent Responsibilities**

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

- Sign in at the main office upon entering the building and request a visitor's pass
- Provide my child with adequate and appropriate school supplies
- Familiarize myself with the policies and procedures of the Student Code of Conduct
- Be responsible for my child's attendance and punctuality to school
- Make sure homework and class work are completed
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education
- Promote positive use of my child's extracurricular time
- 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, mail, e-mail, website posting or school messenger and responding, as appropriate
- Serve, to the extent possible, as a volunteer and on Title I advisory groups, such as the Parent Advisory Board

**Student Responsibilities**

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

Specifically, we will:

- Do homework and class work every day and ask for help when needed
- Work hard to improve achievement levels in all classes
- Conduct ourselves in accordance with the Student Code of Conduct
- Keep cell phones turned off and in backpacks during the school day
- Give to parents or the adult who is responsible for our welfare all notices and information from school every day
- Follow these anti-bullying rules:
  - I will not bully others
  - I will try to help students who are bullied
  - I will try to include students who are left out
  - If I know that somebody is being bullied, I will tell an adult at school and an adult at home

*Stacey Holbrook*  
 Stacey Holbrook, Principal

8/7/23  
 Date

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 Parent(s) Signature

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 Date

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 Student Signature

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 Date

Please press firmly when signing so signature is visible on all three pages.

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