

# 2023-2024 School-Parent Compact



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## Miller County Middle School

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### ***Mission***

*The mission of the  
Miller County School System is to  
pursue excellence for all students*

*in academic knowledge, skills,  
and behavior in order to equip  
them for their future success.*

### **What is a School-Parent Compact?**

Our annual school-parent compact offers ways that we can work together to help our students succeed. This compact provides strategies to help connect learning at school and at home.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills • Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies that parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to become volunteers

### **Jointly Developed**

The parents, students, staff and community stakeholders worked together, in the spring, to revise the compact based on the school's academic achievement goals & student needs.

Parents & community stakeholders are encouraged to provide feedback on the compact at any time during the school year. All feedback will be collected and reviewed during the annual revision

meeting.

### **Miller County District Goals:**

- Provide the school with technical assistance with implementation of the Title I program.
- Provide professional development for administrators
- Allocate funds that align to the School Improvement Plan
- Meet regularly as a leadership team to monitor the progress of the School & District Improvement Plan

### **Miller County MiddleSchool Goals**

Increase Content Mastery in ELA from 54% to 57%

Increase Literacy Readiness from 47.65% to 50%

Maintain Content Mastery Level of 71.39% or above

Increase Student Engagement through Teacher Clarity practices

### **Areas of Emphasis**

#### **ELA:**

- Self tracking of progress & goals for Lexile, MAP & Write Score
- Improving reading fluency and comprehension through reading across the curriculum
- Improving the writing process through Write Score and RESA consulting

#### **Math:**

- Continue using ALEKS with fidelity
- Training & practice with DESMOS calculator

**As a school, we will...** ➤ Conduct Open House prior to the start of school  
➤ Provide teachers with

professional development regarding best practices, strategies, and curriculum

➤ Communicate with parents regarding student progress toward grade level standard mastery

through:

- MAP Reports
- Write Score Student Report
- Progress Reports
- Report Cards
- IXL Progress/Achievement
- ALEKS Progress
- Provide clear expectations
- Prompt students to focus on the following questions during instruction:
  - What am I learning?
  - Why am I learning it?
  - How will I know when I have learned it?
- Student Handbook

➤ Implement strategies which focus on filling in student learning gaps due to loss of learning

➤ Ensure that learning transfers across grade levels

➤ Use achievement data to make instructional decisions

➤ Reward and recognize students for academic growth

➤ Present character education lessons

➤ Provide informative videos for parents regarding curriculum & assessment

### **As parents, we will...**

- Use Parent Portal to track student attendance
- Become familiar with multiple ways to learn about student achievement. Such as: Join the Remind group(s), read newsletters & reports, and view informative videos to support student learning towards standards mastery.
- Keep contact information up to date
- Take an active role in our children's education
- Designate a time and place for homework

○ View informative videos that overview assessments & supportive curricular programs.

○ Commit to having your child read at home for 10 minutes 3 nights a week

➤ Contact teachers when there is a question about student progress towards mastery of grade level standards

➤ Review reports with my student(s) to generate meaningful discussion regarding progress & achievement.

### **As Students, we will...**

★ Understand grade level expectations in regards to standard mastery.

★ Use student agenda as a tool for communication regarding assignments, assessments and school functions noted by teacher/parent initial or signature.

★ Track individual progress toward standard mastery in MAP, ALEKS and IXL

★ Actively participate in learning tasks presented by the teacher on a consistent basis so that grade level mastery may be achieved.

★ Work cooperatively with staff and parents when working to assist with standards mastery.

### **Communication About Student Learning**

MCMS is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student learning. We provide multiple forms of communication for parents:

Methods include:

- ❖ School website
- ❖ Facebook
- ❖ Remind Messenger App.
- ❖ Student Agenda
- ❖ Newsletter
- ❖ Open House in the fall

❖ School newsletter

❖ Parent-teacher conferences

❖ School Messenger System

❖ PowerSchool/Parent Portal

❖ Miller County's Procedures and Process to volunteer in our schools is on our district website.

<https://www.miller.k12.ga.us/home>

1) Miller County Schools Background Check Form 2)

Procedures and Levels

3) Mandatory Reporter Training

4) Link to Google Form to Verify Completion of Training

**If you have any questions regarding your child's education, you should:**

■ **Make an appointment through the school secretary (229.758.4131)**

■ **E-mail your child's teacher**