

School-Parent Compact School Year: 2022-2023 Revision Date: 06/14/2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

J.R. Trippe Middle School, students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

The parents, students, and staff of J.R. Trippe Middle School partnered together to develop this school-parent compact as a commitment to supporting the academic achievement of all students. Teachers suggested ways parents can support their child's learning at home. Parent input included how the school can support them as they help their meet their child's academic goals. Students were encouraged to provide feedback about what they need to meet their own learning goals. Parents are encouraged to attend annual revision meetings held during the month of August each year to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the annual Title I parent survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs and policies.

District and School Academic Goals

To understand how working together can benefit your child, it is first important to understand the district's and school's goals for student academic achievement.

Vidalia City School System Goal:

- By June 30, 2023, the Vidalia City School District will increase the total percentage of students performing at levels 2, 3, and 4 in English Language Arts and Math by 3% on the Georgia Milestones Assessment
- Math skills identified in the Georgia Standards of Excellence

J.R. Trippe Middle School Goals/Academic Focus:

- By June 30, 2023, J.R. Trippe Middle School will increase the total percentage of students performing at levels 2, 3, and 4 in English Language Arts and Math by 3% on the Georgia Milestones Assessment.
 - Our school will focus on the following academic areas:
 - ELA standards as defined by the Georgia Standards of Excellence
 - Math standards as defined by the Georgia Standards of Excellence
- By June 30, 2023, J.R. Trippe Middle School will increase the total percentage of students demonstrating reading skills at or above grade level by 10% on the Reading Growth Measure.
 - Our school will focus on the following academic areas:
 - Reading Fluency and Comprehension
 - Applying Literacy Skills to Expository Texts in the Content Areas



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Communication

J.R. Trippe Middle School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways that teachers and parents will communicate with each other are as follows:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Letters to Parents
- School Website/Notify Me
- School Social Media (Facebook and Instagram)
- Email communication between parents and teachers
- Phone Calls
- Parent Portal
- Progress Reports/Report Cards
- Outdoor LED Digital Sign
- Monthly Newsletter
- Student Planner

Parent Involvement Activities

J.R. Trippe Middle School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families. The following is a list of opportunities for parents to volunteer and participate in school activities to build partnerships that will support student learning.

- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 6th Grade Orientation
- High School Planning Meetings
- Parent Visitation
- Curriculum Days
- School Governance Council Meetings
- Volunteering
- Chaperone Field Trips
- Open House
- Feedback/Surveys
- Awards Programs (Academic and Athletic)
- Fine Arts Programs



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<u>School Responsibilities</u>-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:

We, as staff/school, will support our students and parents in the following ways:

- Insure that all staff is highly qualified in their content area.
- Use student assessment data to drive instruction and share with parents.
- Hold conferences with parents and have regular communication (parent portal, student planner, email).
- Provide academic/behavioral activities throughout the year to insure Indian PRIDE.
- Provide multiple means of communication (website, Facebook, etc.) to keep parents informed.
- Provide reasonable access to observe in their child's learning environment provided notice is given and no testing/assessments are taking place in class.
- Provide opportunities for parents to volunteer at school at various academic and extracurricular activities.

<u>Parent Responsibilities</u>- Provide opportunities for our child's success by providing support to the school and the educational process as follows:

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

- Ensure regular attendance and being on time for school.
- Monitor the amount of reading in which the student engages at home
- Create a place where my child can study and do homework.
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education.
- Check my child's planner daily for homework and communication from the teachers.
- Be informed about my child's education and communicate with the school and respond as appropriate.
- Serve, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as being the Title I, Part A parent representative on the school's School Improvement Team, the Title I Policy Advisory Committee, the School Support Team or other school advisory or policy groups as needed.

<u>Student Responsibilities</u>- Take the opportunity given and work hard to be successful in school by doing the following:

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement in the following ways:

- Always do my best in my work and in my behavior by respecting self, teachers, and others.
- Obey the school, bus, and car rider rules and take pride in my school and school work by coming prepared each day.
- Believe that I can and will learn.

