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School-Parent Compact



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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 56% to 59%
- Increase percentage of students reading at or above grade level from 62% to 65%
- Increase Content Mastery Level of 73% to 75%
- 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:
- o MAP Reports
- Write Score Student Report Progress Reports
- o 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.
- \bigstar 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