



RACHEL PATTERSON ELEMENTARY

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School-Parent Compact

2024-2025 Academic Year

Student's Name

The faculty and staff of Rachel Patterson Elementary School, along with the parents of students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA), agree to this compact for the 2024-2025 academic year, which outlines how parents, school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improving student academic achievement. It also details how the school and parents will collaborate to build a partnership that supports students in meeting the State's high standards.

School Responsibilities

1. Provide High-Quality Curriculum and Instruction

Rachel Patterson Elementary School is committed to delivering high-quality curriculum and instruction within a supportive and effective learning environment, enabling participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards. To achieve this, we will:

At our school, we are dedicated to preparing students for success in the 21st century by providing a comprehensive curriculum that fosters creativity, critical thinking, and adaptability. We offer:

- **A Diverse Curriculum:** Students gain skills across all core subjects, including reading, language, math, social studies, and science, using innovative teaching methods.
- **Personalized Learning:** We accommodate individual learning styles through varied classroom strategies and techniques, ensuring each student receives tailored support.
- **Ongoing Assessment:** Student progress is continuously monitored through a range of assessment methods, including projects, teacher-created tests, standardized tests, and observational notes.

Our goal is to equip students with the knowledge and skills they need to become informed and productive citizens in a rapidly changing world.

2. Parent Engagement and Communication at Rachel Patterson Elementary School

1. Parent-Teacher Conferences:

- **Regular Conferences:** Held once each semester to discuss each child's progress and the compact.
- **Flexible Scheduling:** Parents can request additional meetings with teachers at any time beyond the scheduled Fall and Spring conferences.

2. Progress Reports:

- **Weekly Updates:** Progress reports are available via Schoology every week.
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- Report Cards: Issued every nine weeks to keep parents updated on student progress.
 - On-Demand Meetings: Conferences will be scheduled as needed to discuss student progress with parents.
3. **Access to Staff:**
- Flexible Meetings: Parents can schedule consultations with teachers or administrators at any time, with virtual options available.
 - Appointment Scheduling: Conferences can be arranged by calling the school office or submitting a request in writing.
 - Teacher Availability: Teachers are available for scheduled meetings during their planning time and after school, with virtual options if needed.
4. **Parental Involvement:**
- Volunteer Opportunities: Parents are encouraged to volunteer in their child's classroom and other areas.
 - Scheduled Activities: Teachers will organize and schedule volunteer activities.
5. **Two-Way Communication:**
- Communication Folders: Used to send information to parents.
 - School Status System: Enhances communication between the school and home.
 - Multiple Channels: Teachers are available for conferences in person, by phone, and through email for parental flexibility.
 - Language Accessibility: All communications are made available in the parents' home language whenever possible.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

As parents and guardians, we play a crucial role in supporting our children's education. Here are some ways to actively engage in their learning journey and help them succeed:

1. **Monitor Attendance:** Ensure your child attends school regularly and arrives on time to maintain academic success and stay on track.
 2. **Ensure Homework Completion:** Set aside a specific time and quiet space for homework, check assignments regularly, and offer guidance as needed. Encourage your child to complete their work to the best of their ability.
 3. **Volunteer in the Classroom:** Get involved in your child's classroom activities to gain insight into their learning environment and support teachers and students. Contact the teacher for opportunities to assist with classroom events, field trips, or other activities.
 4. **Participate in Educational Decisions:** Engage in your child's education by attending parent-teacher conferences, school meetings, and workshops. Your input is valuable in shaping their educational experience.
 5. **Stay Informed and Communicate:** Keep open lines of communication with teachers and school staff. Respond to notices and communications promptly to stay informed about school events, policies, and your child's progress.
 6. **Serve on Advisory Committees:** If possible, join advisory groups like Title I committees to help shape policies affecting your child's education and the school community.
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Student Responsibilities

As students, we are responsible for taking an active role in our own learning and striving to meet the State's high academic standards. By embracing these responsibilities, we can enhance our academic achievement and personal growth. Here's how we can contribute to our educational success:

- **Complete Homework Daily:** Dedicate time each day to complete homework assignments diligently. If you encounter challenges, don't hesitate to ask for help from teachers, parents, or classmates. Understanding your homework is an essential step toward mastering new concepts.
- **Read Daily:** Set a goal to read for at least 30 minutes every day outside of school hours. Reading regularly helps improve vocabulary, comprehension, and critical thinking skills. Additionally, strive to do your best on iReady and other reading programs to reinforce your learning.
- **Communicate with Parents/Guardians:** Make sure to deliver all notices and information received from school to your parents or guardians promptly. Keeping them informed about school events, assignments, and announcements ensures they can support you effectively.

By working together and fulfilling these responsibilities, we can create a positive and productive learning environment that fosters academic excellence and personal growth. Let's commit to making education a priority and supporting each other in this journey.

Principal Signature

Jennifer C. Lee

Date

8/2/24

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date

