

## 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 home.

Effective compacts:

- Link to academic goals
- Focus on student learning
- Includes strategies staff, parents, and students can apply
- Explains how parents and teachers can communicate
- How parents can volunteer and participate in the classroom

### Jointly Developed

The parents, students, and staff of Ruskin Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning activities, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and students told us what would help them learn. An input meeting is held each year to review the compact and make changes based on students needs.

**Parents are welcome to contribute at any time.**

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe in the classroom, please contact:

Julie Augustine at 912 287 2325 or [jaugutine@ware.k12.ga.us](mailto:jaugutine@ware.k12.ga.us).

## Working Together to Build Partnerships

Ruskin Elementary will take the following actions to promote partnerships:

- Fall Open House
- Grade Level Curriculum Nights to provide engaging interactive activities for parents and students to share in learning.
- Conduct family engagement workshops/ programs
- School Website/ Facebook
- School News Letter

Details on specific events will be sent home in the weekly folders or agendas.

## Communication of Student Learning

Ruskin Elementary will communicate with parents using a variety of methods. As a school we are committed to working with all parents so all students achieve academic success. Methods of communication may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Weekly homework folders/Agendas
- Phone calls
- Text messaging/REMIND
- Flyers and Notices
- Parent meetings
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Progress Reports & Report cards
- School Website
- School News Letter

## Parental Involvement

Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Contact your child's teacher by phone (912-287-2325) or email. E-mail addresses are on the school website at [www.ware.k12.ga.us/o/ruskin-elementary-school/staff](http://www.ware.k12.ga.us/o/ruskin-elementary-school/staff).

# Ruskin Elementary School

## Grades 3-5 Focus for Student Success

### School-Parent-Student Compact for Achievement



**2019—2020**

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## 2019 – 2020

### District Goals

Increase academic achievement in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies 3% in proficient and distinguished on Georgia Milestones in FY20.

## 2019 - 2020

### School Goals

Our goal is an increase of 5 percentage points of the number of students reading on grade level as indicated in the area of reading status as measured by GMAS Spring assessment.

### FOCUS

In grades 3-5 our school will focus on the following:

Reading for fluency and comprehension

**The school will work with students and families to support students' success in reading and math.**

### Reading and Math

- Provide students with appropriate books and reading passages to increase Lexile levels, comprehension, and reading fluency
- Provide vocabulary word lists
- Provide worksheets to complete at home to reinforce basic math facts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Provide families with free apps and websites to practice math facts at home
- Provide a folder with homework assignments and skills sheets to be practiced at home
- Conduct programs/workshops in order to share classroom strategies with families to help their child achieve academic success
- Provide weekly newsletter with information and school events
- Provide multiple opportunities for families to discuss their child's academic achievement through conferences, phone calls, and e-mails

**Ruskin Elementary parents will join the staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math. Families may have other ideas to add to this list.**

### Reading and Math

- Read aloud with my child and ask questions about what they read
- Practice vocabulary words with my child
- Practice with my child basic math facts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Use the apps and websites my child's teacher provides to practice reading skills and math facts
- Check the folder for homework and skills sheets to make sure my child completes homework and studies for weekly tests
- Participate in workshops to gain knowledge & skills in order to help my child
- Read the weekly newsletters for information
- Contact my child's teacher to discuss my child's academic achievement either through conferences, phone calls, and/or e-mails

### STUDENT WILL:

Reading and Math

- Read out loud to my parents to improve my oral reading fluency
- Practice my vocabulary words
- Practice my basic math facts in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division
- Practice my reading skills and math facts using the apps and websites my teacher provided
- Get my parents to check my folder for homework and skills sheets to make sure my assignments are completed and I am prepared for my tests
- Bring home newsletters and notices about parent workshops and other school events

### **Attendance—IT IS IMPORTANT!**

For students to be academically successful, they **NEED** to be present at school. It is the goal of Ruskin Elementary to work with parents to ensure that **ALL** students are present everyday.

We understand that children get sick and emergencies arise. Please contact your child's teacher and/or school when your child is absent. When your child returns to school, they **MUST** bring a note signed by the parent explaining why they were absent.