

What is a School-Parent Compact?

A School-Parent Compact is a written commitment describing how all members of a school community (parents, staff, and students) agree to share responsibility for student learning. This compact helps bridge the learning connection between school and home.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Share strategies that staff, parents and students can use to improve student learning
- Share strategies parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to observe, and participate in the classroom

Jointly Developed

The parents, students, and staff of Heard County Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and student told us what would help them learn. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on student needs.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments any time.

Building Partnerships

- October 25– PTO Pre K Program
- November 2– Chat with the Counselor
- November 9– Veteran's Day Assembly
- November 30– Chat with the Counselor
- December 6– PTO K-2
- December 18– Family Christmas Luncheon
- March 21– PTO Grades 3-5 Program
- March 25-29– Spring Book Fair

Communication about Student Learning

Heard County Elementary is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student learning. Some of the ways we can foster effective communication include: Student Agendas, Daily/ weekly folders, Email/phone calls to the classroom teacher, Calling system, Website, Newsletters/Flyers, Class DoJo ,and Remind 101.

“Working Together Today to Ensure a Successful Tomorrow”



Heard County Elementary School-Parent Compact 2018-19



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The school, the parents, students, and other stakeholders were involved in the joint-development of this School-Parent Compact.

Heard County Elementary School-Parent Compact

Dear Family,
This compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement at Heard County Elementary. This compact also describes how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help students achieve the State's high academic standards.

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

Goals of Heard County School System:

Goal Area 1: Increase & Promote

Post Secondary Opportunities

Heard County Schools will continue to support the improvement of instructional processes at the local schools, close the achievement gaps among students, and provide premier learning environments by integrating technology to prepare students for college and career-readiness.

Goal Area 2: Ensure Stakeholder Engagement and Loyalty

Heard County Schools will engage stakeholder groups in dialogue about student achievement, resource expenditure, and future plans. They will also recruit and retain quality teachers and increase the use of technology to communicate with parents and the community.

Goal Area 3: Develop Organization Effectiveness

Heard County Schools will develop exemplary instructional schools and teacher leaders through shared decision-making and leadership programs. They will also devote the maximum amount of funding to instruction. They will also ensure that the facilities are well maintained and safe.

Teachers, Parents, and Students - Working Together to Achieve Success

Goal of Heard County Elementary:

To attain high student achievement across all instructional areas. Students will show increased reading Lexile levels, improve mastery in narrative writing, measurement & data and numbers & operations standards, improve mastery in Physical Science and History standards, and increase Georgia Milestones. Results.

Focus Area: All grades K-5 will make improvements in the area of writing and increase Lexile levels for the 2018-19 school year.

Teachers, students, and parents worked together to develop ideas that will support student success. To help your child meet the district and school goals, it is necessary for the school, your child, and you to work together.

At Heard County Elementary we will...

- Develop a weekly teacher newsletters focusing on grade level appropriate strategies for comprehension and fluency to help parents reinforce reading skills at home. Skills include phonics, vocabulary, text complexity.
- Provide a variety of resources on the school website to assist parents in working on reading strategies from home.

As students of Heard County Elementary, we will...

- Share the newsletters from my teacher with my parents so I can practice grade-level specific reading skills focusing on comprehension and fluency with my parents at home.
- Practice reading strategies focusing on comprehension and fluency with my parents.
- Explore the school's webpage with my parents to find fun websites that will help me with my reading skills.

As Parents, we will...

- Read teacher newsletters for grade-level specific reading skills focusing on comprehension and fluency. Practice these strategies with my child several times each week.
- Work with the teacher to learn specific strategies to help my child strengthen reading skills in the areas of comprehension and fluency.
- Visit school website for resources/materials to assist with reading skills. Contact the PIC if needing help accessing or utilizing these websites.

Teachers, Parents, and Students— Working Together to Achieve Success

The teachers, parents, and students of Heard County Elementary, developed the School-Parent Compact.

All parents are invited to be involved in the joint development and revision of the School-Parent Compact. The Compact is written and reviewed annually with input and feedback from parents, teachers, business partners and other stakeholders at the Title I Planning Meeting and document review opportunities. Parents unable to attend are provided opportunities for feedback through the school website. The goal on the compact mirrors and supports the Heard County School Improvement Plan.

Compacts will be revisited during the spring semester. Compact goals will be revisited throughout the year.

