

WHAT IS A SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT?

A *School-Parent Compact for Achievement* is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach or exceed grade-level standards.

Effective compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on students learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality curriculum and instruction
- Share strategies parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

Every Spring this document is revised by the School Site Council. During this meeting students' learning needs, based on current grade-level data, is reviewed. These discussions are data driven and include suggestions for home learning strategies by teachers, along with input from parents to make these strategies specific to their needs. Students at the middle schools also provide insight on ways to support their learning.

PARENTS ARE WELCOME TO CONTRIBUTE COMMENTS AT ANY TIME.

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

- Monthly PTO Meetings
- Back to School Night
- Open House
- Classroom Volunteers
- Field Trips
- School Carnival
- United for Good
- Coins for Caring
- Parent Conferences

Visit our website calendar for current events and details: <http://garden.tcsdk8.org/>

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING

Garden Elementary is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about students' learning. Some of the ways parents and teachers communicate all year are:

- Student Planners
- Parent Link
- Aeries Parent Portal (*Grades 3-6*)

<http://parentportal.tcsdk8.org/>

- Phone Calls: (559) 685-7330
- Teacher Emails: which can be found on our website: <http://garden.tcsdk8.org/>

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Garden Elementary

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT FOR ACHIEVEMENT 2016-2017

**When
teachers,
students and
families work
together we
CAN achieve our
goals!**



OUR GOALS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

DISTRICT PRIORITIES:

- #1. Safe and Secure Learning and Work Environment for All
- #2. Teaching is Relevant, Purposeful and Yields the Deepest Levels of Learning for All
- #3. Connect to the Local and Global Communities

LCAP/SCHOOL GOALS:

- ◆ Students will reach high standards and increase student achievement.
- ◆ Students will have opportunities to engage and participate in extra-curricular activities.
- ◆ EL students will increase proficiency in English and increase student achievement in ELA.
- ◆ Faculty will engage in consistent professional development and training.
- ◆ Promote parent and community involvement in a safe environment.

We will get there by:

- Increasing technology access and use
- Providing instructional support
- Providing professional development
- Communicating with Parents frequently

Do the right thing

I own my actions

Give respect

Support others

TEACHERS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS - TOGETHER FOR SUCCESS

IN OUR CLASSROOMS

Teachers will work with students and their families to support students' success in meeting or exceeding the Common Core State Standards in reading and math. Some of our key ways to connect with families will be:

- School Site Council Visits of classrooms
- Parent visits to classrooms
- Back to School Night to explain curriculum
- Open House to showcase curriculum
- Communication to parents about projects they are doing through emails, parent link or notes with examples home
- Parents can volunteer in the classroom to assist with common core lessons

AT HOME

Garden parents joined staff to develop the following ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math.

- Read with your child every day.
- Have conversations with your child about their day
- Practice basic math facts and sight words
- Provide a quiet place to complete homework
- Arrive to school on time ready to learn each day
- Schedule appointments after school hours so learning is uninterrupted

STUDENTS

Garden students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in all areas. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school.

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Principal Signature: _____ Teacher Signature: _____

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____