

### What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School 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 and exceed grade level standards.

#### **EFFECTIVE COMPACTS:**

- ✓ **Link** to the goals of the School Improvement Plan
- ✓ **Follow** the Common Core Standards
- ✓ **Focus** on student learning skills
- ✓ **Share** strategies parents can use at home
- ✓ **Explain** how teachers and parents will communicate
- ✓ **Describe** opportunities for parents to participate.

### Family and School Together

The parents and staff of Bellamy Elementary School developed this Family-School Compact for achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and students 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 at any time. If you would like to volunteer, participate, and/or observe in the classroom, please contact your child's teacher through their school email or through their individual website.

***When teachers, students, and families work together, we ALL exceed our goals!***

### Activities to Build Partnerships

Title I Parent Meeting & Workshops  
Parent/Teacher Conferences  
Publishing / Final Draft Celebrations  
Parent Involvement Workshops & Events  
Literacy Night  
STEAM Night  
School & Classroom Events  
Book Character Parade  
Veterans' Day Celebrations  
Grandparents Day  
PTA Events throughout year  
Fall Festival & Spring Fun-Run with PTA  
Fun Day- In the Spring

### Communication about Student Learning

Bellamy Elementary School is committed to communicating regularly with families about student learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to communicate are:

- ✓ Curriculum Nights
- ✓ Classroom Newsletters
- ✓ Parent-Teacher conferences
- ✓ Phone calls and emails from teachers
- ✓ District, school, and teacher websites
- ✓ Communication Folders
- ✓ Connect5@ phone / email messages
- ✓ Facebook, twitter, and other social media
- ✓ Communication elements via specific learning platforms or apps (ie. Class dojo, Seesaw, Google Classroom)

#### **Questions about your child's progress?**

Contact your child's teacher by phone 910-350-2039 or e-mail through the school website at:

<http://www.nhcs.net/bellamy/>

## Family-School Compact For Achievement



**4th Grade Focus**  
for Student Success

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## Our Goals for Student Achievement

### Bellamy School Goals

Bellamy's School Improvement Team (SIT) has reviewed our student performance data to determine the most important areas of improvement for our school.

Increase the percentage of students performing at the required proficiency levels in ELA, Math, and Science.

Increase the percentage of students who exceed growth in ELA, Math and Science.

Bellamy's Instructional Improvement Plan focuses on four areas:

- Community Building
- Content Planning
- Instruction
- Assessment for Learning

For further information regarding our current School Improvement Plan, go to:

[www.nhcs.net/bellamy](http://www.nhcs.net/bellamy).

All School Improvement Team meetings are open to all parents. These meetings will be listed on the Bellamy calendar.

## Teachers, Parents, Students- Together for Success

### In the 4th Grade Classroom

The 4<sup>th</sup> grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in all academic disciplines. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- ✓ Provide parents with weekly behavior, homework and graded communication log.
- ✓ Update class websites for current links to family-friendly websites and resources for students to build and practice reading and math skills.
- ✓ Host Literacy nights to share classroom strategies with families on how to help their child connect personal experiences to the story.
- ✓ Host STEAM night to share resources and strategies to support and complement the content being taught in the classroom.

### At Home

Bellamy parents are a vital part of a successful educational team. We greatly appreciate and need parental support. This support can come in many ways, but here are a few suggestions:

- ✓ Encourage my child to read every day and talk about how the story connects with experiences in the student's life both in and outside of the school environment.
- ✓ Consistently check the classroom website for updated announcements and other useful information.
- ✓ Encourage my child to complete all assigned homework and come to school prepared to ask clarifying questions on any topic that may be confusing or difficult.

### Bellamy Students

Bellamy 4<sup>th</sup> graders participate in creating a mission and goal statement each year. Students work with the staff to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and maximize their academic potential. Students shared the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and at school:

- ❖ Set reading, math, personal, and SRC goals every quarter
- ❖ Complete all homework each night to the best of my ability
- ❖ Complete all classwork each day to the best of my ability