

# POPLAR GROVE ELEMENTARY



## 2020-21 School-Parent Compact

### What is a School-Parent Compact?

A school-parent compact is an agreement that parents, students, and teacher develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work in partnership to make sure all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade-level standards.

#### Effective Compacts:

- Link goals in the School Improvement Plan;
- Focus on student learning skills;
- Describe how teachers will help students develop their skills by using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies that families can use at home; and
- Explain how teachers and families will communicate about student progress.

### Jointly Developed

The families, students, and staff at Poplar Grove Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact together. Each group contributed ideas about how to best support students at school and at home, as well as the methods used for ongoing communication.

*Families are welcome to share comments and suggestions at any time.* If you have something to contribute concerning this School-Parent Compact, please contact: Dr. Alisha Erickson at the phone number or email address listed below.

### Building Partnerships

#### Ways to Connect:

- Parent partnerships- Teachers and parents collaborate to set 2-3 student learning goals for school and home while determining ways to monitor and incentivize the goals.
- Family Nights- Enjoy game time with your child, exploring free home learning ideas to help support your child's learning goals.
- PTO Events- Join us for the many FREE events hosted by our school PTO and forge connections and friendships with others at PGES.

### Communication About Student Learning

At Poplar Grove, we feel every child should be provided a first class education and we firmly believe that relationships and strong communication are foundational to this mission. Some ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Regular notes or phone calls
- Weekly homework folders
- Automated phone messages
- Parent- Teacher conferences
- Student progress reported biweekly
- Social media platforms
- Updated webpage



### Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Contact your child's teacher by email or by calling the school (615.790.4720) and we will be sure to get a message to them. All email addresses are listed on our school website at

<https://poplargroveelementary.fssd.org/>

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# Our Goals for Student Achievement

## District Goals

The 2020-21 District Improvement Plan includes goals in the following areas:

- Increase academic achievement in Reading/Language Arts
- Supporting students' well-being
- Supporting EL students
- Supporting students with disabilities



## School Goals

The 2020-21 PGES Improvement Plan includes goals in the following areas:

- Increasing academic achievement in Reading/Language Arts
- Increasing academic achievement in Mathematics
- Supporting students' well-being
- Supporting EL students
- Supporting students with disabilities



## *Teachers, families, students – Together for Success*

### In the Classroom

Teachers will work with students and families to support the success of the whole child while maintaining strong school/home communication. Some of our key connections with families and practices will include:

- Parent partnerships
- Family Nights
- PTO Events
- Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS)
- Weekly classroom newsletters
- Monthly school newsletters
- Updated and well maintained website
- Social media to engage and inform
- Use high-quality district adopted curriculum

### At Home

Poplar Grove families have joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' successes. Families may have other ideas to add to this list:

- Pay attention to communication from school
- Check Google Classroom periodically
- Support academic standards at home
- Engage in open communication with teacher
- Attend family events at school
- Play games or cook together at home
- Make sure students are well rested for school

### Students

Poplar Grove students joined staff and families to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and challenge themselves in math and reading. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and at school:

- Read Nightly for 20 minutes
- Practice math facts
- Complete homework when assigned
- Follow directions at home and school
- Follow zoom expectations