

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 student learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality 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

The parents, students, and staff of Tar River Elementary School developed this School-Parent 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 can contribute comments any time.

Building Partnerships

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe in the classroom, please contact us directly or go to our school website.

Building Partnerships

Family Fun Learning Adventures

Join us for Storytelling Night on October 21, 2021!

- Enjoy virtual story-time with teachers and students to learn fluency and reading comprehension strategies that you can use at home to support learning.
- All students and parents are encouraged to dress as their favorite characters. Every attendee will get a special prize!

More Family Fun Learning Adventures will occur in January, March, and May. Detailed information will be sent home.

Communication about Student Learning

Tar River Elementary School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are

- Weekly folders in grades K-5
- Daily "check-ins" through Class Dojo
- Updates on the school website and Google Classroom and current grades in PowerSchool
- Class meetings on understanding progress
- Parent-teacher conferences after each nine weeks

Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Contact your child's teacher by phone, Class Dojo, or e-mail.



SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT FOR ACHIEVEMENT



Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

By June 2022, all students will be at grade level or higher in both math and reading.

We will get there by:

1. Increasing each student's fluency and understanding in reading across all grade levels by 15% over 3 years.
2. Increasing each student's competency in math computation, word problems and number operations by 15% over 3 years.

School Goals

By 2022, our students will make a 20% gain in math and reading; 74% of students will be at grade level in reading, and 78% at grade level in math.

Our data show the need to focus on the following North Carolina State Standards:

- In reading – the standard of comprehension and understanding the author's purpose.
- In math – the standard of strengthening our basic skills and math computation.

Principal Signature

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

Teachers, Parents, Students – Together for Success

In Our Classrooms

The grade-level team will work with students and their families to support students' success in the North Carolina Standards for reading and math. Some of our key connections with families will be

- Develop a weekly folder or Google Classroom with materials demonstrating student progress. Send home strategies to help parents support the learning goals.
- Use vocabulary instruction and read alouds to incorporate new words. Send new words to families each unit with information on how to incorporate new words in daily conversations.
- Design a fun family night and share classroom project-based learning strategies that help students connect personal experiences to their deeper learning.
- Develop goals with students that focus on increasing their math fluency skills. Send goals to parents along with some practical ideas for supporting their learning goals at home.

Teacher Signature

At Home

Tar River Elementary School parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math. Some of our key at-home activities will be

- Use the weekly folder or Google Classroom to discuss my child's learning goals and use the teacher's materials to support my child's learning at home.
- Review new words with my child weekly. Remember to use new words in daily conversations.
- Read with my child daily and talk about how the story connects with things that he/she has experienced. Attend the Storytelling Night literacy event to practice new ways to support my child as a reader.
- Use the math goals and related games or strategies the teacher sends home to improve my child's math skills.

Parent Signature

Tar River Elementary School Students

Tar River Elementary School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math and reading. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Set goals for myself to learn new words and read every day.
- Review new words with my family each week.
- Make up stories to tell my family using new words.
- Practice math facts using apps, games, flashcards, or other strategies to improve my math skills.

Student Signature