

***Pelham City Schools' Goals for
Student Achievement
2023-2024***

In Math: All students demonstrate growth and score Proficient or higher in Math on the Georgia Milestones EOG and EOC tests.

In Literacy: All students demonstrate growth in reading and writing and score Proficient or higher on the Georgia Milestones EOG and EOC tests.

Behavior: Increase Climate Star Rating scores by continuing Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) and reducing office discipline referrals.

***Pelham Elementary School
First Grade Goals for Student
Achievement 2023-2024***

In Math- Our focus will be on building Math skills- addition/subtraction and counting to 120.

In Literacy- Our focus will be on letter sounds and retelling.

In Reading- Our focus will be on fluency, comprehension, sight words and nonsense words.

Teachers, Parents, and Students – Together for Success

In the First Grade

Teachers will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math. Some of the ways we will accomplish this include:

- Encourage parents to read daily with their child and ask questions.
- Help students understand facts before memorizing.
- Provide parent resources in math and reading through parent events and the PIRC and online websites.
- Provide sight words, word lists, sounds and word family lists for home use.
- Stay in communication with parents through weekly folders.

At Home

PES parents worked with staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math at home. Some of the suggestions:

- Read to your child daily and visit the library.
- Practice counting forwards and backwards orally.
- Attend parent opportunities or access events on the school website (online access in the PIRC or at public library).
- For Eureka Math help visit <http://www.pelham-city.k12.ga.us/Content2/InstructionalResources>, also use Zearn and Eureka Math Helpers.
- Stay informed with monthly digital parent newsletter posted on Remind, website, Facebook, Dojo and available in lobby rack.
- Communicate through conferences and weekly folders.

1st Grade Students

A sampling of Pelham Elementary School students were asked their ideas about how they can succeed in Math and Literacy. Students thought of the following ways to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Count forward and backwards to and from 120 orally.
- Practice sight words, sounds and word families.
- Read with parent or adult daily and visit the library.
- Play math and reading games at home to build skills.

What is a School-Parent-Student Compact?

A School-Parent-Student Compact is an agreement that is developed together with parents, students, and teachers.

Effective Compacts will:

- Link goals of the school improvement plan.
- Focus on specific learning skills to work on at home.
- Share teacher strategies

Jointly Developed



PES parents and staff have jointly developed the school-parent compact. The process consisted of:

The PES staff and first grade teachers were given an opportunity to update the compact. Parents provided input and then the compact was revised according to all feedback provided.

Discussion of the compact occurs throughout the school year via surveys, Parent Chat meetings, the PCS website input form, and parent involvement questionnaires at various events and community forums. Ongoing parental involvement and engagement is welcomed.

Please contact Mrs. Cindy Smith, PCS Title I Parent Involvement Coordinator, at 294-8170 ext. 214 or 221-2336 for suggestions or input.

Activities to Build Partnerships and Communication for Student Learning

Open House- meet teachers and visit classrooms.

Parent Events- Volunteer Orientation, Literacy Fair, Title 1 Family Game Night, STEM/Mathfest, Grandparents Night, Prep Night, Donuts with the Dude, Goodies with Gals, and More!

Parent/Teacher Conferences - during teacher planning times or after school. Call 294-8170 to schedule a conference.

Parent Chat & Chew- opportunities for parents to “chat”, share concerns and give input.

Parent Power Hour- Virtual and in-person parent sessions offered to build capacity for student academic success and parent advocacy.

Parent Resource Center – parent, student and staff resources and computer/online access. The PIRC is located near PES main entrance.

Parental Engagement

Parents are invited to join all parent engagement activities. These opportunities, as well as our school website, facebook page and annual surveys, are vehicles for parent input and engagement.

Stay in the know with:

Parent Portal -Infinite

Campus, PCS school website, Facebook, emails, monthly parent newsletters, class dojo, progress reports/report cards, PCS phone message system,

Parent Inv. Remind

(sign up by texting,

229-588-2949, message @058f27).

2023-2024 Pelham Elementary School First Grade School-Parent-Student Compact



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