

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 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 New Hope 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 annually 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: [Bianca Miranda](mailto:Bianca.Miranda@wcsqa.net) at 706-673-3180 or go to our school website and click on the **Parent Button**.

PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

New Hope Elementary believes that parental involvement means the participation of parents in regular two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory committees to assist in the education of their child.

Communication about Student Learning

New Hope Elementary 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:

Daily communication folders

Updates on the school website and current progress from the G-Kids report

Parent-teacher conferences in October and March

Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Contact your child's teacher by [706-673-3180](tel:706-673-3180) or e-mail. E-mail addresses are on the school website at <http://www.wcsqa.net/nhe>

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SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT FOR
ACHIEVEMENT

2022-2023

Whitfield County Schools
building on a tradition of excellence

Kindergarten

Focus

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Our Goals for Student Achievement

DISTRICT GOALS

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for **2022-2023** are:

Goal 1: Increase of our graduation rate from **87.2% to 89.2%** by two percent over the next three years for all students.

Goal 2: Reduce the achievement gap(s) in English Language Arts & Mathematics.

Goal 3: To increase the capacity of all WCS teachers and leaders to enhance student learning through evidence-based professional learning.

School Goals

New Hope Elementary administrators and teachers have studied our student performance data to determine the most important areas of improvement for our school.

Reading: Students will perform at or above the state, grade-level proficiency in English/Language Arts.

Math: Students will perform at or above the state, grade-level proficiency in mathematics.

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

In the Kindergarten Classroom

The Kindergarten teacher will work with students and their families to achieve the goal of student success in the areas of reading, math, and writing. Teachers will support student learning through:

- **Reading:** Providing reading materials that meet the needs of each individual student
- **Math:** Providing a weekly update on what is being taught in math
- **Writing:** Providing writing guidelines that go hand-in-hand with the lessons taught in the classroom

At Home

Support at home is key to each student reaching their goals in reading, math, and writing. Listed below are a few ideas parents and teachers developed together to help children at home.

Reading: READ with my child EACH night.

Math: Use "Math Ideas" (found on our newsletter) to reinforce math at home

Writing: Help my child practice writing his/her letters, then move into writing words and sentences



Kindergarten Students

New Hope Kindergarteners will work to reach their learning goals through:

Reading:

Read a book to parent each night

Math:

Talk to family about the things being learned in math
("Math Ideas" will help start these conversations.)

Writing:

Practice writing letters, words, and sentences at home

Be a good listener

Be respectful to teachers, friends, and school materials

Family Nights are a great place for families to learn together!

Look for information to come home soon!