

Portal Middle High School
Dr. Julie Blackmar, Principal
27245 Highway 80 West
Portal, Georgia 30450
912-842-8360



2023-2024
School-Parent Compact
Revised 6/5/2023

What is a School-Parent Compact?

The PMHS School-Parent Compact outlines how the PMHS staff, students, and their families can work together to build and develop a partnership that will help your student achieve the state's high standards. Our goal is to work together to give your child the best opportunity for academic success at PMHS. This compact helps bridge the learning connection between school and home.

Jointly Developed

The parents, students, and staff of Portal Middle High School worked together to develop this School-Parent Compact for academic success. Teachers suggested ideas to assist with learning, parents suggested input about the support and resources needed, and students suggested strategies that would assist in their learning at home. Meetings are held each year in the Spring to review the compact and make changes based on student needs.

Parents are welcome to provide feedback on the compact at any time during the school year. All feedback will be collected and reviewed during the annual revision meeting with parents. Please contact your school Family Engagement Specialist for more information on the school-parent compact.

Building Partnerships

There are many opportunities at PMHS for interaction between parents, staff, and students. The following activities provide an opportunity for parents to volunteer, observe, and get involved in order to help support student learning:

- Open House
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Family Learning Nights (e.g. STEAM Night, Family Forums)
- Annual Title I Meetings
- Transition Nights
- Parent Resource Center

Parent Resource Center

The parent resource center is filled with free educational games, manipulatives, and other resources. It is located in room D4. Contact your school Family Engagement Specialist for an appointment.

Communication about Student Learning

Portal Middle High School is committed to providing the opportunity for families and staff to communicate with each other regarding student learning. We will make an effort to provide those communications in a language that families can understand. Some methods that you can expect us to use to reach you are:

- Class newsletters or emails to parents about student progress
- Weekly Parent Newsletters
- Remind App messaging and or phone calls
- School website or other web-based communication tools
- Parent-Teacher conferences at request of teacher or parent

Academic Achievement Goals

2023-2024 District Goals

1. Bulloch County Schools will increase the percentage of 8th grade students scoring at proficient or distinguished on the Spring ELA GMAS End-of-Grade assessment from 41% in Spring 2021 to 56% by Spring 2024.
2. Bulloch County Schools will increase the percentage of 9th grade students scoring at proficient or distinguished on the Spring American Lit EOC assessment from 22% in Spring 2021 to 37% by Spring 2024.
3. Bulloch County Schools will increase the percentage of students in grades 3-8 scoring at the proficient or distinguished Level on the Spring Math GMAS assessment from 31.9% in Spring 2021 to 50.0% by Spring 2024.
4. Bulloch County Schools will increase the percentage of students taking Algebra I scoring at the Proficient or Distinguished Level on the GMAS end-of-course assessment from 28.4% in 2021 to 50.0% by 2024.

2023-2024 PMHS School Goals

1. Portal Middle School will increase its overall weighted content mastery score by 3% from 59.1% in 2022 to 60.9% in 2023; to 62.7% in 2024; to 64.6% in 2025 by implementing Professional Learning Communities.
2. Portal High School will increase its overall weighted content mastery score by 3% from 61.5% in 2022 to 62.7% in 2023; to 63.8% in 2024; to 64.9% in 2025 by implementing Professional Learning Communities.
3. Portal Middle High School will increase its 4-year graduation rate by 3% from 90.38% in 2022 to 90.7% in 2023; to 91.0% in 2024; to 91.3% in 2025 by implementing a comprehensive MTSS/School Climate plan to ensure students are supported, engaged, and successful.

As a school/teacher, we will:

- Provide high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables all students to meet Georgia's student performance standards by:
 - Assigning meaningful and appropriate classwork and homework activities
 - Setting high expectations for each student and differentiate as needed
 - Providing opportunities for students to set goals and expectations for their learning
- Provide remediation, intervention, and enrichment opportunities in Math/English and academic areas.
- Provide additional instructional materials for Math/Reading.
- Be available for parent-teacher conferences when requested by a parent and will use the opportunity to discuss this compact as it relates to the child's academic achievement.
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress.
 - I will update grades regularly in Parent Portal so parents can view their child's grades online.
 - I will send home progress reports four times a year.
 - I will communicate with parents either by Remind 101, phone, email, or in person.
 - I will provide additional assignments for remediation credit recovery as well as materials in Math and Reading.

As parents, we will:

- Communicate regularly with my child's teachers through conferences, phone calls and emails by:
 - Keeping my contact information up-to-date.
 - Reviewing homework, progress reports, report cards, Bulloch County Schools Student Handbook and other forms of school and teacher communication with my child.
 - Attending school functions when possible.
- Make school a priority by:
 - Setting up a specific area for homework with minimum distractions.
 - Encouraging my child to read daily and review math facts regularly.
- Spend time talking with my child about current events as well as his/her school experiences.
- Encourage my child to write on a regular basis. (Write a letter or email someone, keep a journal or diary, or write short stories.)
- Provide my child opportunities to read non-fiction literature such as newspaper articles, magazines, and comic books.

As students, we will:

- Attend school regularly and come to class prepared to learn by bringing my supplies and homework and/or completing all virtual assignments by the deadline.
- Ask questions when I am not sure about a lesson or an assignment.
- Complete my assignments and turn them in on time.
- Make good choices such as paying attention in class, staying on task, doing my best, respecting my teacher and working hard at school and home.
- Read 120 minutes weekly and review math facts regularly.
- Communicate with my parents and teachers about school experiences so they can assist me in being successful at school.

Signature Sheet
School-Parent Compact
Portal Middle High School
2023-2024
Revised 6/5/23



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Portal Middle High School, students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the state's high standards. Please review the attached school-parent compact.

Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have read, received, and agree to this School-Parent Compact. Once signed, **please return the form to your child's teacher and keep the School-Parent Compact as a reminder of your commitment.** The school-parent compact will be discussed with you throughout the year at different school-family events as we work together to help your child succeed in school. We look forward to our school-parent partnership!

Principal: _____

Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student
Signature: _____

Date: _____