

What is a School-Family Compact?

A School-Family Compact for Achievement is an agreement that families, students, and teachers develop together. It explains how families and teachers will work together to make sure all of our students reach grade-level standards.

Effective compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on students learning units
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies families can use at home
- Explain how teachers and families will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for families to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom.

Jointly Developed

The families, students and staff of Rock Spring Elementary developed this School-Family Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, families 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.

Families are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe in the classroom, please contact Sarah McCloskey at sarahmccloskey@walkerschools.org or call 706-764-1383.

Rock Spring Elementary is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Student Rocket Folders
- Updates on the school website, social media, and PowerSchool
- Monthly school & grade level newsletters
- Weekly email blast from your child's grade level.
- Family-Teacher conferences
- Family meetings geared to the elementary school student and curriculum.
- Class Dojo information push outs

RSE Family Engagement Standards

Rock Spring Elementary and our families have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family – School Partnerships as the school's model. In engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

- Welcoming All Families
- Communicating Effectively
- Supporting Student Success
- Speaking Up for Every Child
- Sharing Power
- Collaborating with Community

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*For
Student Success
2024-2025*

**Rock Spring
Elementary**

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Principal**

<http://rse.walkerschools.org>

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Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goal:

Reading: At the end of the 2025 school year, we will see a 3% increase in the percentage of students who are proficient and above on Georgia Milestone ELA assessments from the 2024 results. (End of Grade in 3rd - 8th and End of Course for English Literature and Composition combined) (Grade 2024 = 37.2%; goal for 2025 = 40.2%)

Math: At the end of the 2025 school year, we will see a 3% increase in the percentage of students who are proficient and above on Georgia Milestone Math assessments from the 2024 results. (End of Grade of 3rd - 8th Grade and End of Course in Algebra I combined)

School GOALS:

1. By May 2025, students in grades first through fifth grade will improve their math score measured by MAPS assessment and/or GA Milestones. A five to eight increase in math will be achieved.

2. By May 2025, students in grades first through fifth grade will improve their reading score measured by MAPS assessment and/or GA Milestones. A five to eight percent increase in reading.

Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Contact your child's teacher by phone 706-764-1383 or by email. Email addresses are on the school website at rse.walkerschools.org.

RSE Staff

The teachers and staff of Rock Spring Elementary will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Teachers will use email blast to inform families about learning and events taking place within the classroom.
- Grade Level newsletters and learning material will be distributed weekly via backpack mail, email, and on social media.
- Teachers will individually contact parents on an as needed basis to address student specific needs and successes via rocket folder, email, or telephone.
- Teachers will facilitate multiple meetings with families to prove individualized and group data regarding benchmark skills.
- Class Dojo will also be used School wide as another mode of communication. This promotes the Teacher/Parent connection.

RSE Students

Rock Spring Elementary students will:

- Bring home newsletters and announcements regarding Family Engagement events.
- Talk with family about new vocabulary words they are learning and play provided games to help with targeted subjects.
- Read daily to increase vocabulary and skills.

RSE Families

Rock Spring Elementary families joined with the staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math. Families may have other ideas that they can add to this list.

- Encourage student(s) to read independently at least 30 minutes each night.
- Check PowerSchool and grade level newsletters weekly to monitor grades and ensure students are completing assignments on time.
- Attend school-wide and grade level workshops provided by RSE to learn strategies to help student(s) at home. (Virtual until further notice)

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