

2025-2026 Robert J. Burch Elementary School School - Parent Compact for Academic Achievement

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What is a School-Parent compact?

A school-parent compact is an agreement between teachers, parents, and students. The compact explains how we plan to work together to help each child meet the expected grade-level standards.

How is it created and revised?

The parents, students, and staff of Robert J. Burch Elementary School worked together to develop this School-Parent Compact. These stakeholders suggested strategies and ideas to help students grow as learners. Meetings are held annually to review the compact and make changes as needed.

What is Title 1?

Robert J. Burch Elementary is identified as a Title 1 school as part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA). Title 1 is designed to support state and local reform efforts and enhance efforts to improve teaching and learning for students. Title 1 programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support parental involvement. All title 1 schools must jointly develop with parents a written Parent and Family Engagement Plan.

Building Partnerships

Join our PTO! - Contact burchptopresident@gmail.com
School Council - We value your input!
Parent Conferences (fall and spring)
Grade Level Parent Information Sessions
Parent Workshops
New Parent Orientation (2nd semester)
Parent Resource Center
Title 1 Annual Meetings
Grade Level Orientation
Data Conferences
Volunteer opportunities

Robert J. Burch Elementary Goals

Reading - Increase by 2% annually, the percentage of 3rd - 5th students and subgroups reading on grade level or above as measured by GMAS End of Grade reading indicator.

ELA & Math - Increase by 3% annually the percentage of students and subgroups scoring at Proficient and Distinguished Achievement Levels as measured by GMAS End of Grade Assessment.

During the 2025-2026 school year 50% of students will have a 50% or higher growth percentile as measured by STAR assessments.

School Climate - Improve student leadership opportunities, attendance, and positive behavior; and increase staff and family engagement as measured by state, district, and school surveys.

Fayette County School District Goals

- Increase student achievement and growth.
- Improve internal and external communication (i.e., community, family and schools).
- Engage internal and external stakeholders.
- Hire and retain excellent certified staff.
- Retain highly effective staff.
- Improve bus driver retention and recruitment processes in the transportation department.
- Ensure safe learning environments.
- Increase efficient use of resources, processes, and management structures.
- Ensure efficient and fair allocation of financial and personnel resources.



Parent Resource Center

We want your child to succeed in school! Our Parent Resource Center has a variety of educational materials available for check out to support our students' learning at home. All Robert J. Burch Elementary families are welcome to visit during school hours or scan the QR code below to place your order. The resources ordered can be sent home with your child to use for one month. For more information, please contact our Parent Liaison, Dr. Gloria Jones, at jones.gloria@fcboe.org



Communication About Student Learning

Robert J. Burch Elementary School staff is committed to communicating with families about children's learning and development by using communication folders, ParentSquare, eblasts, conferences, our school marquee, and our school website. Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by phone at 770-969-2820. E-mail addresses are on the school website at www.burchbears.org.



Working together for Academic Success!

After reading the compact, *please sign and return this form.*



Student _____ Teacher _____ Grade _____

School Pledge

We promise to

- Conference with the parents to discuss data from universal screeners and identify student academic goals toward school's learning targets in Reading, ELA, and Math
- Assist students in setting academic goals
- Share student progress towards academic goals
- Make recommendations and provide resources from Parent Resource Center to support parents at home in helping the student reach academic goals
- Analyze student data and adjust instruction as needed
- Provide newsletters to communicate student learning in Reading, ELA, and Math
- Communicate grade level expectations
- Support understanding of homework
- **Teach and implement Leader in Me 7 Habits** in daily instruction

Teacher signature

Date _____

Student Pledge

I promise to

- Take responsibility of my own learning with the support of my teacher and family by setting academic goals in Reading, ELA, and Math
- Be an active and engaged learner
- Ask for additional resources and help as needed in Reading, ELA, and Math
- Follow school and class instructions in completing assignments
- Be responsible for bringing needed instructional materials (book bag, folder, etc.) to school
- Ask questions when I don't understand
- Complete assigned classwork and homework by the due dates to reach my academic goals
- **Learn and use the Leader in Me 7 Habits**

To reach my academic goals, I will

Student signature

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Pledge

I promise to

- Engage in my child's learning at home by practicing Reading, ELA, and Math activities/strategies provided by teachers to address academic needs
- Monitor my child's academic growth towards the school's learning targets
- Check out additional free resources from the Parent Resource Center to support my child at home with Reading, ELA, and Math
- Monitor my child's understanding of the homework and assist as needed
- Attend school conferences and data talks to stay informed about my child's academic progress and growth
- Foster daily and timely school attendance
- Maintain consistent communication with school staff regarding my child's needs in all areas
- **Encourage and support my child's learning of Leader in Me 7 Habits**

To help my child succeed in school, I will

Parent signature

Date _____