

WHAT IS A SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT?

A SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT IS AN AGREEMENT DEVELOPED COLLABORATIVELY BY PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND TEACHERS. IT OUTLINES HOW PARENTS AND TEACHERS WILL WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT ALL STUDENTS REACH OR EXCEED GRADE-LEVEL STANDARDS.

EFFECTIVE COMPACTS:

- ALIGN WITH THE GOALS OF THE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN.
- FOCUS ON DEVELOPING STUDENTS' LEARNING SKILLS.
- EXPLAIN HOW TEACHERS WILL HELP STUDENTS BUILD THESE SKILLS THROUGH HIGH-QUALITY CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION.
- PROVIDE STRATEGIES THAT PARENTS CAN USE AT HOME TO SUPPORT LEARNING.
- DESCRIBE HOW TEACHERS AND PARENTS WILL COMMUNICATE ABOUT STUDENT PROGRESS.
- HIGHLIGHT OPPORTUNITIES FOR PARENTS TO VOLUNTEER AND ENGAGE IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

Sherman will provide opportunities for parent to be involved in their child's education and in school:

- ◆ Teacher-Parent conferences
- ◆ Sherman Fall festival
- ◆ Sherman Spring festival
- ◆ Grandparents luncheon
- ◆ Thanksgiving luncheon
- ◆ Scholastic book fair
- ◆ Math and Science Night
- ◆ Literacy Night
- ◆ Title I meetings
- ◆ Nutrition Classes
- ◆ Volunteering opportunities
- ◆ Coffee with the principal
- ◆ Bullying Awareness



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School-Parent Compact 2025-2026

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DISTRICT GOALS

GOAL 1

THE PERCENTAGE OF GRADE 3 STUDENTS IN HISD EARNING MEETS GRADE LEVEL ON THE STATE OF TEXAS ASSESSMENTS OF ACADEMIC READINESS (STAAR) READING TEST WILL INCREASE FROM 41 PERCENT IN JUNE 2023 TO 56 PERCENT IN JUNE 2028.

GOAL 2

THE PERCENTAGE OF 3RD GRADE STUDENTS IN HISD EARNING MEETS GRADE LEVEL ON THE STAAR MATH TEST WILL INCREASE FROM 38 PERCENT IN JUNE 2023 TO 53 PERCENT IN JUNE 2028.

GOAL 3

THE PERCENTAGE OF STUDENTS GRADUATING TEXAS SUCCESS INITIATIVE (TSI)-READY AND WITH AN INDUSTRY-BASED CERTIFICATION (IBC) WILL INCREASE FROM 11 PERCENT FOR THE 2021-22 GRADUATES TO 26 PERCENT FOR THE 2026-27 GRADUATES.

GOAL 4

STUDENTS IN GRADES 4 THROUGH 8 WHO RECEIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES THAT ACHIEVE GROWTH AS MEASURED BY DOMAIN 2 PART A OF THE STATE ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM WILL INCREASE FROM 63 PERCENT IN AUGUST 2023 TO 78 PERCENT IN AUGUST 2028.

SCHOOL GOALS

TEACHER COMMUNICATION:

TEACHERS WILL MODEL INSTRUCTION AND PROVIDE PARENTS WITH REGULAR UPDATES ON STUDENT PROGRESS.

READING FOCUS:

- FOSTER CRITICAL THINKING
- DEVELOP BEGINNING SOUNDS AND SIGHT WORDS (GRADES PRE-K-1)
- ENHANCE VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT (GRADES PRE-K-5)
- ENCOURAGE MAKING TEXT CONNECTIONS (GRADES 3-5)

MATH FOCUS:

- APPLY PROCESS THINKING
- UNDERSTAND PLACE VALUE AND ESTIMATION (GRADES K-5)
- LEARN TO ADD, SUBTRACT, MULTIPLY, AND DIVIDE WHOLE NUMBERS AND FRACTIONS

SCHOOL COMMITMENT:

OUR SCHOOL PROVIDES HIGH-QUALITY CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION IN A SUPPORTIVE AND EFFECTIVE CLASSROOM ENVIRONMENT, ENABLING STUDENTS TO MEET CHALLENGING STATE ACADEMIC STANDARDS. WE ARE COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS AND PROVIDING A WELCOMING, SAFE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT.

PARENT ENGAGEMENT:

PARENTS WILL BE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS CAMPUS INITIATIVES THROUGH FLYERS, PHONE CALLS/TEXTS, EMAILS, AND THE SCHOOL APP. THESE INITIATIVES ARE DESIGNED TO STRENGTHEN THE PARENT-TEACHER PARTNERSHIP.

PROGRESS MONITORING:

PROGRESS REPORTS WILL BE SENT HOME EVERY SIX WEEKS. STUDENT GRADES AND PROGRESS REPORTS ARE ALSO ACCESSIBLE ONLINE THROUGH POWERSCHOOL.

PARENTS PLEDGE

AS THE PARENT OF A CHILD PARTICIPATING IN THE TITLE I PROGRAM, I PLEDGE TO:

- * I WILL COMMUNICATE EFFECTIVELY WITH EDUCATORS AND ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR SUPPORTING MY CHILD'S LEARNING BY MONITORING THEIR:
 - * ATTENDANCE
 - * HOMEWORK
 - * SELF-DISCIPLINE
- * READING WITH MY CHILD 20 MINUTES EACH DAY.
- * CHECKING EACH WEEK, THE COMMUNICATION FOLDER WHICH CONTAINS INFORMATION FROM TEACHERS AND SCHOOL.
- * VOLUNTEER WHENEVER POSSIBLE.
- * SEND MY CHILD DRESSED IN THE DESIGNATED SCHOOL UNIFORM.
- * CHECK DAILY WITH MY CHILD ABOUT THEIR SCHOOL DAY.
- * BRING MY CHILD TO SCHOOL ON TIME.
- * IF I HAVE THE CAPACITY, LET THE SCHOOL KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON AT HOME THAT MIGHT BE AFFECTING MY CHILD AT SCHOOL
- * BE SENSITIVE IN MY TONE WHEN INTERACTING WITH STUDENTS AND SCHOOL STAFF.
- * PARENTS MUST REGISTER THROUGH VIPS TO VOLUNTEER ON CAMPUS OR CHAPERONE STUDENT FIELD TRIPS.

STUDENT PLEDGE

AS A STUDENT AT SHERMAN ELEMENTARY IT IS IMPORTANT TO DO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY, THEREFORE, I PLEDGE TO:

- * COMPLETE AND BRING HOMEWORK.
- * CONFORM TO RULES OF STUDENT CONDUCT.
- * READ 20 MINUTES EVERY NIGHT.
- * EAT BREAKFAST EVERY MORNING AND LUNCH DURING LUNCH TIME.
- * BUILD POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS WITH TEACHERS AND CLASSMATES.
- * APPLY WHAT I HAVE LEARNED

TEACHER PLEDGE

I PLEDGE TO:

- * REGULARLY COMMUNICATE WITH PARENTS IN A MODE THEY PREFER.
- * PROACTIVELY INVITE PARENTS TO THE CLASSROOM, AND WORK TO MAKE THEM FEEL WELCOME
- * LISTEN WITH AN OPEN MIND AND HEAR
- * BE SENSITIVE IN MY TONE WHEN INTERACTING WITH PARENTS AND STUDENTS
- * CREATE AND MAINTAIN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR STUDENTS
- * DIFFERENTIATE INSTRUCTION SO ALL STUDENTS CAN MEET THEIR GOALS.