Explorer Academy SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

This school-parent compact is in effect during the *2025-2026* school year

Explorer Academy and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I agree that this compact outlines how they will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

School/Teacher Responsibilities

Explorer Academy **will**:

1. **Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards. The school will:**
    - *Teach to the North Dakota State Standards*
    - *Use evidence-based instruction strategies*
    - *Use evidence-based curriculum*
    - *Create a positive school culture*

2. **Address the importance of communication between teachers and parents on an ongoing basis. At a minimum, the school will:**
    - **Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, these conferences will be held:**
      In conjunction with the annual Fargo Public Schools calendar, conferences will be held twice annually in November and again in February.
    - **Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:**
      Standards-based progress reports will be provided three times per school year in November, February, and June.
    - **Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:**
      Staff members are available by phone, email, and in-person meetings.
    - **Ensure regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and staff, in a language that family members can understand:**
      Volunteer opportunities will be shared with parents throughout the year. Parents interested in volunteering or observing should contact the office of Explorer Academy 701-446-4100.

Parent Responsibilities:

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- *Monitoring attendance.*
- *Making sure that homework is completed.*
- *Volunteering in my child's classroom*.
- *Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.*
- *Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.*
- *Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school/district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.*
- *Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as being the Title I parent representative on the school's School Improvement Team, the Title I Policy Advisory Committee, the District wide Policy Advisory Council, the State's Committee of Practitioners, the School Support Team or other school advisory or policy groups.*