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2026–2027 SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT (K-5)

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Developing the Compact

The parents, students, and faculty of Heard Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on student needs. Parents are welcome to make comments at any time. Additional copies of the compacts are available in the school's main office, media center, and on the school website.

What is a School-Parent Compact?

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

Effective compacts:

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

Our Academic Goals

The district goals for 2026-2027 are:
All students will reach high standards with a minimum attaining the following proficiency:

- **Strategic Goal 1: Student Achievement**
  All Students will continually demonstrate high academic and social-emotional growth preparing them for life, college, and careers.
- **Strategic Goal 2: Staff Effectiveness** All employees will excel daily in the performance of their roles to ensure our district thrives.
- **Strategic Goal 3: Stakeholder Engagement** We will build collective ownership and active engagement among all stakeholders to maximize students' overall learning experiences.

Refer to the detailed Board of Education 2023-2028 strategic plan for measurable outcomes by category.

Our school goals for 2026-2027 are:

SMART Goal 1 - Focus area: K-2 ELA & Math

- ELA/Reading: Increase Proficient or above from 64% to 80%.
- Mathematics: Increase Proficient or above from 3% to 80%.
- (**Focus:** Amira 60 minutes a week, teacher small groups during Intervention, and Waggle 60 minutes a week)

SMART Goal 2 – Focus Area: 3-5 ELA, Math, & Science

- ELA: Increase Near Target and Prepared from 51% to 80%.
- Mathematics: Increase Near Target and Prepared from 56% to 80%
- Science: Increase Proficient or above from 2% to 80%.
- (**Focus:** Amira 60 minutes a week, teacher small groups during Intervention, and Waggle 60 minutes a week)

Refer to https://bit.ly/3zeCES2 for any changes to school goals.

"This is how we will do it"

As a Teacher, I will…

- Offer two Family Nights per year with a focus on math and literacy.
- Provide a list of websites for improving math & reading skills.
- Provide list of vocabulary words to practice at home.

As a Parent, I will…

- Try to attend Family Nights or get information from school if I cannot attend.
- Allow my child time on the computer to access recommended websites to improve math and reading skills.
- Review vocabulary words and find ways to use them in everyday sentences.
- Read with my child for 20 minutes daily.

As a Student, I will…

- Bring home notices about Family Nights.
- Go on recommended websites weekly to practice math and reading skills.
- Share new vocabulary words I am learning and practice literacy skills.
- Read 20 minutes a day.
- Practice math facts and strategies.

Heard is committed to providing regular two-way communication with families about student learning

Open communication will continue to be encouraged through:

- Parent-Teacher Conferences where the School-Parent Compact will be reviewed & discussed.
- Invitations to parents to all schoolwide and district opportunities for learning.
- Parents will have access to faculty and staff through email, telephone, letters, and school visits.
- All documents will be placed strategically in the school for parental access.
- Interpreter available upon request.

Building Partnerships

Heard School offers these ongoing events and programs to provide parents and students with access to our staff:

- Fall Open House
- Parent-teacher conferences every nine weeks to discuss your child's progress and review the progress of the school-parent compact.
- Parent Resource Center / Family Engagement Room.
- Grade Level Curriculum Nights
- To make an appointment with your child's teacher, please call (478) 779-4250, use ParentSquare, or visit our Web Site: https://heard.bcsdk12.net/
- If you would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities, please contact Heard's Family Engagement Representative at (478) 779-4212.
- You may fill out a volunteer packet in person by scheduling a day / time with Mrs. West using (478) 779-4222.