Rutland Middle School

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School-Parent Compact 2026-2027

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What is a School-Parent Compact?

Our School-Parent Compact is a written agreement between parents, students, and teachers developed together. It explains what families and schools can do to help children reach grade-level standards. This compact provides strategies to help connect learning at school and at home.

Effective Compacts:

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

Jointly Developed

The parents, students, and staff of Rutland Middle School have developed a School-Parent Compact for Academic Achievement.

- Teachers suggested home learning strategies.
- Parents added ideas to make them more specific.
- Students told us what would help them learn.

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.

For more information, contact:
Title I Family Engagement Facilitator
478-779-4400

Activities to Build Partnerships

The following actions will be taken in order to promote partnerships:

- Open House
- Family Enrichment Nights
- Family and Community Engagement (FACE) Forum in the spring
- Parent Volunteer Program
- Student-Led Conferences
- Parent-Teacher and Student Organizations
- Community Partnerships

Interpreter available upon request.
Parents are encouraged to volunteer.

Please contact your child's teacher or the Title I Family Engagement Facilitator with any questions.
478-779-4400

Communication with Parents about Student Learning

Rutland Middle School is focused on keeping families informed by having two-way communication through multiple ways:

- School Website
- Parent Square
- Canvas and Infinite Campus
- Hurricane Happenings Newsletter
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- Progress Reports every 6 weeks
- End of year Report Cards
- Rutland Middle Marquee
- Announcements made daily in Front Office
- Parent Portal, online access to grades, assignments, attendance reports
- Interpreters available on request

2026-2027 District Goals

All students will reach high standards within a minimum attaining the following proficiency:

- All students will continually demonstrate high academic and social-emotional growth preparing them for life, college, and careers.
- All employees will excel daily in the performance of their roles to ensure our district thrives.
- We will build collective ownership and active engagement among all stakeholders to maximize students' overall learning experience.

"Teachers" We will ...

- Come prepared to teach and believe that each student can learn.
- Provide a safe learning environment.
- Provide student assignments using instructional technology or other interventions as needed and monitor student progress.
- Utilize computer based enrichment & remediation programs to improve student performance.
- Continue using PLT (personalized learning time) for remediation & enrichment using computer based programs and direct instruction.
- Provide timely feedback to parents about their child's progress.
- Schedule parent conferences to discuss student achievement.
- Work with parents as equal partners to help meet the needs of students using ParentSquare and Infinite Campus.
- Send out regular reminders in parent communications.
- Seek ways to involve parents in classroom activities, observation, and school programs.

Academic Goals

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



"Parents/Families" We will ...

- Ensure that my child attends school regularly and is on time.
- Communicate with my child's teacher on a regular basis.
- Encourage my child to read daily.
- Encourage my child to read AR books.
- Encourage my child to take AR tests and utilize computer based enrichment programs offered by the school.
- Provide a journal for my child to write in.
- Use flashcards to practice facts and vocabulary with my child daily.
- Relate Math concepts to everyday activities like cooking, shopping, bills, and finances.
- Keep up with my child's progress on Parent Portal, Infinite Campus, and Canvas.

2026-2027 School Goals

- Rutland Middle School will increase 6th-8th grade students (and each subgroup, for example, ALL, ED, SWD, EL, Gifted, etc) performing at the proficient level or above by 6 percentage points in ELA (from 24.1 to 30.1), Math (from 23.5 to 29.5), Science(8th) (from 13.8 to 19.8) and Social Studies(8th) (from 13 to 19) on Spring 2027 GMAS. (*Emphasis on distinguished)
  - Focus Area: Students in grades 6–8 will participate in personalized learning opportunities, engaging in targeted remediation, intervention, or enrichment activities based on individual student performance data and identified academic needs to support increased proficiency in ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies.
- Rutland Middle school will reduce the percentage of students chronically absent by 14% from 27.87 to 23.87 and achieve an average daily attendance of 95% by end of 2026-2027 school year.
  - Focus Area: The school will use attendance data to monitor, communicate, and address student attendance concerns and partner with students and families to provide support that increases regular attendance and reduces chronic absenteeism.

"Students" We will ...

- Come to school each day on time with homework completed, and have the supplies necessary to complete assignments.
- Set personal goals for learning.
- Read for 30-45 minutes each day.
- Study notes daily and give extra study time to prepare for tests.
- Check out and read library books, use MyOn and SORA to access e-books.
- Do more math problems out of the recommended workbooks.
- Use the school provided computer based enrichment programs to increase math understanding.
- Have group discussions about school work with parents and family members.
- Read and write more at home on a daily basis.
- Ask the teacher for extra practice work.
- Practice with family members at home, using flash cards & reading together.