# KETELSEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## 2026-2027 SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

*Houston Independent School District*

The School-Parent Compact describes how the school, parents/guardians, and students share responsibility for improved academic achievement. The compact is developed collaboratively with parents and discussed annually, including during parent-teacher conferences.

### School Responsibilities

- Provide rigorous instruction and a safe, productive learning environment.
- Identify and address students' learning needs.
- Communicate regularly with families.
- Involve parents in appropriate education-related decisions.
- Offer flexible opportunities for parent-teacher conferences.
- Apply school and classroom rules fairly.
- Provide meaningful homework and monitor completion.
- Recognize and celebrate students' cultural diversity.

### Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

- Help my child arrive at school on time, prepared, and ready to learn.
- Communicate and work closely with my child's teacher.
- Encourage learning and review my child's progress.
- Participate in school activities and conferences when possible.
- Model respect when interacting with school personnel and community members.

### Student Responsibilities

- Come to school prepared and ready to learn.
- Work toward academic goals and complete assignments.
- Follow school rules and respect staff, volunteers, and peers.
- Respect school property and take responsibility for my actions.
- Report concerns to a trusted adult.
- Show kindness and respect the cultural diversity of others.

## Ongoing Communication

Communication may include: parent-teacher conferences; parent consultation meetings; progress reports; newsletters and written notices; phone calls and email; ParentSquare and the school website; social media and other campus communications.

## 2026-2027 GRADING CYCLES & REPORT CARD DATES

| Grading Cycle | Report Card Date |
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| Aug. 10 - Sep. 18, 2026 | Sep. 25, 2026 (Friday) |
| Sep. 22 - Oct. 30, 2026 | Nov. 6, 2026 (Friday) |
| Nov. 2 - Dec. 18, 2026 | Jan. 8, 2027 (Friday) |
| Jan. 5 - Feb. 19, 2027 | Feb. 26, 2027 (Friday) |
| Feb. 22 - Apr. 15, 2027 | Apr. 23, 2027 (Friday) |
| Apr. 19 - May 28, 2027 | Jun. 2, 2027 (Wednesday) |

## Key School Dates

First day for students: August 10, 2026 | Last day for students: May 28, 2027 | Last day for teachers: June 1, 2027

## Activities to Build Partnerships

At Ketelsen Elementary, our goal is to increase parent support and involvement in your child's education. Please consider joining our school Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) group. All volunteers must be registered through the HISD VIPS program. We will provide ample opportunities for you to be involved in the process of shaping your child's education.

## Upcoming Events and Programs

Parent meetings, Backpack Buddy, food distribution, Scholastic Book Fair, college/career presentations, and DYAD presentation night.

## Communication About Learning

School website, ParentSquare, call-outs, and letters.

## Steps to Help Your Child in School

Support attendance expectations, send your child to school ready to learn, make reading part of your family time, and reinforce learning at home.