

## 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 sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

Effective compacts:

- Link to goals of the campus improvement plan
- Focus on student 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 student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom

## Activities to Build Partnerships

- **Meet and Greet**
- **Strivers and Achievers** provided by Kiwanis Club
- **Tailgate party and Information Fair**– We will have a tailgate party so students get excited about college and include agencies to help with some of the requested programs on the parent survey. We will also have tables for math, literacy, and science home activities.
- **Parent Conferences**–Will be held in October and throughout the year as needed.
- **Veteran's Day Program**
- **Discovery Center** – This will promote science.
- **Leadership Night**– Students will show their leadership notebooks to parents and teach the 7 Habits.
- **Leadership Day**–We will invite community members to come see what amazing leaders do!
- **Spring Carnival**
- **Wonderland Night**

## Jointly Developed

The parents, students and staff of Tradewind Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and 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 contribute comments at any time.**

**If you would like to volunteer or participate, please contact the office at 326-5500.**

## Communication about Student Learning

Tradewind Elementary is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Daily communication folders
- Call outs by school for special events
- Updates on the school Web site and current grades in skyward
- Parent-teacher conference in October and other times as needed
- Parent Institute newsletters sent home each month to help with academic strategies at home
- Pearls of Love and Logic sent home each month to help with ideas on student behavior
- Information on curriculum through conferences, open house and summer packets.

Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by phone (326-5500) and leave a message or e-mail. E-mail addresses are on the school Web site at <http://tradewindamaisd.sharpschool.com/>.

## School-Parent Compact for Achievement for 2016-2017

### Tradewind Elementary School

# 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Focus for Student Success



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## Our Goals for Student Achievement

### District Core Values

**Student Performance:** The district's focus is to improve the academic performance of all students it serves. Our teaching is aligned to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills and focused to meet our students' needs in order to foster the skills necessary for their future success. Learning is evaluated, in part by performance on state assessments, as well as other important student achievements.

**Customer Service:** Great communities have great schools. Great schools provide quality educational services. They do so by building positive, constructive relationships with students and parents. The individual student is the focus. Rather than treating students as a group, AISD staff will treat each student as an individual with his or her own special set of unique needs and goals. Listening to parent concerns and requests demonstrates a high degree of respect and concern. Providing solutions, when possible, demonstrates the partnership we want with parents.

### School Goals

Our goal is that our students will become productive citizens, who are self-motivated, independent individuals that value learning and succeed.

We will improve in all areas of the STAAR. We strive for all students to be on or above grade level. We want them to work to their fullest potential.

We want our students to have lifelong skills to help motivate and strive to be better. We will be teaching the students the Seven Habits by Steven Covey.

## Teachers, Parents, Students – Together for Success

### In The Classroom

The 4<sup>th</sup> grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in the classroom. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Our 4<sup>th</sup> grade team will work with students to develop critical thinking skills throughout all academic subjects.
- We will promote positive self-esteem and a respectful learning environment for every student.
- We will work to meet the individual needs of all students.
- We will provide additional academic support when necessary to ensure student success.
- We will use the daily take home folder to communicate with parents.

### At Home

Home participation is vital to a student's success. Listed below are some of the ways families can support students' success in reading and math.

- Check and sign the student's discipline/communication folder each night.
- Practice multiplication facts weekly with your child.
- Monitor your child's school work and weekly homework responsibilities.
- Ensure regular and prompt school attendance.
- Encourage your child to read daily.

### Students

Tradewind Elementary students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school. We thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Set goals to read each day.
- Take time to ask questions about unfamiliar words.
- Use new Reading, Math, Science, and Social Studies vocabulary on a daily basis.
- Take time to keep a journal and write about daily experiences. If you can say it you can write it!

My personal learning goal is: \_\_\_\_\_

My teacher can help me reach it by: \_\_\_\_\_

My parent can help me accomplish it by: \_\_\_\_\_