What is a School - Parent Compact?

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

The Winston Elementary School Parent Compact:

- Is linked to the goals on the school improvement plan
- Focuses on student learning skills
- Describes how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Shares strategies parents can use at home
- Explains how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describes opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom



How is the School - Parent Compact Developed?

The parents, students, and staff of Winston Elementary 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.

For more information about the Compact or about submitting input, please contact Winston Elementary at (770)651-4700.



Building Partnerships

Winston Elementary School provides many opportunities that parents can utilize to help their children succeed. There are parent workshops and meetings scheduled throughout the year that include topics such as Math, Reading, Attendance, Homework Help, and Test Taking Strategies. Parents are invited to come to our school for Grade Level Informational Meetings, Parent Advisory Council, School Council Meetings, and other meetings that will be offered throughout the year.



Communication about Student Learning

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

- Teachers will utilize agendas as a daily communication tool
- Wildcat Weekly is sent home every Wednesday
- Parent-teacher conferences will be held twice per school year
- Progress reports and report cards will be issued quarterly.
- Updates will be posted on the teacher websites, school websites, and district website
- School Messenger and Remind are also used.

DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT 2023-2024

Fourth Grade Focus For Student Success



Winston Elementary School

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Our Goals for Student Achievement

Douglas County School System Goals

The percentage of students scoring at Proficient or Distinguished Learner on the Georgia Milestones (GMAS) English Language Arts and Math End of Grade Assessments will increase by six percentage points.



Winston Elementary School Goals

<u>Math</u>: The percentage of students scoring at proficient or distinguished learner on the GMAS Math End of Grade Assessment (grades 3-5) will increase by six percentage points

*Our focus will be in math fact fluency, multi-step problem solving and place value.



Reading: The percentage of students scoring at proficient or distinguished learner on the GMAS English Language Arts End of Grade Assessment (grades 3-5) will increase by six percentage points.

- * Read for fluency and comprehension through the use of grade level fiction/non-fiction text.
- * Expand background knowledge to increase vocabulary and understanding.
- * Further Develop writing through the use of text -based evidence.

Building Partnerships

At Winston, we believe parents are an integral part of their child's education. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to your child's teacher for more information.



In Our Fourth grade Classroom

The Fourth grade teachers will work with students and their families to support student success in math and literacy. We will work with students and families in the following ways:

- 1. By providing parents with updates through Remind and/or Google Classroom to support math and reading concepts.
- 2. Provide students and parents with the student's Lexile score to identify appropriate reading material.
- We will hold math and literacy events which will concentrate on grade level standards and concepts.
- 4. Provide parents with materials to increase student reading fluency/word knowledge.

At Home

Winston Elementary School parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in math and literacy. Some of our key at-home activities will be:

- 1. To review the information that is sent home through Remind and/or Google Classroom to support math and reading concepts
- 2. To provide opportunities for my child to use the web sites that are provided by my child's teacher
- 3. Attend the math and literacy events to get ways to better assist my child. If I can't attend, I will contact my child's teacher
- 4. Practice using the provided materials with child to increase fluency/word knowledge

Winston Elementary School Students

Winston Elementary School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math and literacy. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school by:

- 1. I will do the hands on activities provided by my teachers at home with my parents/guardians to ensure that I understand what will be covered during my math lesson.
- 2. I will go to the websites provided by my teacher and review the skills offered.
- 3. I will attend the Math and Literacy events. I will be an active participant in the activities that are conducted in the sessions.

4. I will use my materials given by my teacher to increase fluency/word knowledge.

Do you have questions about your child's progress?

It is our goal to provide reasonable access to school staff. All teachers have a direct-line phone number and an email address. Access both the phone number and email address on our school website <u>https://wes.dcssga.org/</u>. Please call the school at (770) 651-4700 for more information.