

Ridge Elementary 2020-2021 SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

Ridge Elementary and the parents of the students agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve Louisiana's high standards.

School Responsibilities

Ridge Elementary will:

Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables students to meet Louisiana Student Standards as follows:

- Align instruction with Louisiana Student Standards
- Ensure that teachers/staff have acceptable subject matter knowledge and effective instructional strategies
- Make certain teachers/staff have the materials necessary for instruction
- Respect and address the individual needs of students
- Use assessments to make instructional decisions

Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

Due to the delayed start of the school year, Covid-19 crisis, the traditional parent teacher conference days were removed from the district calendar. Our teachers will follow all district guidelines for communicating to students' parents about their child's progress.

Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

- Report cards will be sent home every nine weeks
- Progress reports will be sent home midway between report cards
- Weekly signed papers will be sent home on Tuesdays to students enrolled in face-to-face instruction

Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:

- Teachers/staff will respond to parents' request within 24 hours, whenever feasible
- All teachers/staff email addresses are listed on our school website.

Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

- Due to COVID-19, volunteers will not be allowed on our campus this year.
- Parent volunteer/participation sign-up sheets will be at PTC meetings for non face-to-face meetings

Parent Responsibilities

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- *Monitoring attendance.*
- *Making sure that homework is completed.*
- *Monitoring the amount of television my children watch.*
- *Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.*
- *Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.*
- *Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.*
- *Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as the school's School Wide Planning committee, the district wide Parent Advisory Council, or other school advisory or policy groups.*

Student Responsibilities (revise as appropriate to grade level)

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, I will:

- *Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.*
- *Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.*
- *Give to my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.*

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