

What is a Family-School Compact?

A *Family-School 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 school improvement plan
- ◆ **Focus** on student learning skills
- ◆ **Describe** how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- ◆ **Share** specific strategies parents can use at home
- ◆ **Explain** how teacher and parents will communicate about student progress
- ◆ **Describe** opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom

Jointly Developed

The parents, students and staff of GES developed this Family-School 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 students needs.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe in the classroom, please contact:

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Upcoming Events at GES!

- * Fall Teacher & Parent Partnership (TAPP) Meetings:
 - KK, Sept. 17, 2018 - 3rd, Oct. 3, 2018
 - 1st, Sept. 19, 2018 - 4th, Oct. 23, 2018
 - 2nd, Oct. 1, 2018 - 5th, Oct. 25, 2018
- * Parent Advisory Council Meeting - Sept. 25, 2018
- * Literacy & Math Family Night - January 10, 2019
- * Spring TAPP Meetings - February 7, 2019
- * Parent Advisory Council Meeting - April 16, 2019
- * Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon - April 16, 2019

Communication about Student Learning

GES 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:

- Weekly homework folders
- Progress reports and report cards
- Class meetings (T.A.P.P) on understanding student progress
- Parent Portal and Renaissance Connect/AR updates
- Phone calls, emails, texts, and notes
- Updates on the school website
- Parent-teacher conferences

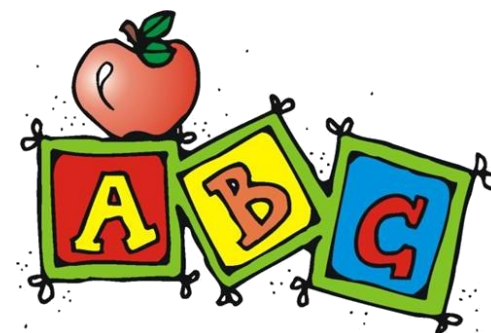
*Do you have questions about your child's progress?
Contact your child's teacher by phone or email!*

2018-2019

Family-School Compact for Achievement

Kindergarten Focus for Student Success

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for Student Achievement

District Goals

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for 2018-2019 are:

1. Improve the percentage of students scoring proficient (levels 3, 4) in grades 3 through 8.
2. Improve the percentage of students graduating from high school.

School Goals

GES will increase the percentage of students who score in the proficient and distinguished categories in ELA by four (4) percentage points on the GA Milestones.

In Kindergarten our school will focus on the following area: phonemic awareness and sight words

GES will increase the percentage of students who score in the proficient or distinguished categories in Math by two (2) percentage points on the GA Milestones.

In Kindergarten our school will focus on the following area: number sense

When teachers, students, and families work together, we CAN achieve our goal:

I WILL GRADUATE!

Teachers, Parents, Students - Together for Success

In the Kindergarten Classroom

The Kindergarten classroom will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- ♦ Send home weekly newsletters with learning goals and hold classroom meetings (T.A.P.P.) and parent-teacher conferences to discuss how each student is doing at reaching these goals
- ♦ Communicate with parents about their students' academic progress and daily classroom activity using Remind, conferences, and weekly folders

At Home

GES parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math. Families may have other ideas to add to this list.

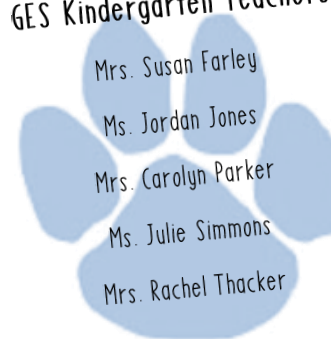
- ♦ Attend parent-teacher conferences and academic family events, including T.A.P.P.
- ♦ Read with my child and discuss the book together
- ♦ Help my child with their homework and practice study skills with them

GES Kindergarten Students

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

- ♦ Bring home the class newsletter featuring vocabulary words games and will play these games at home with their families to gain practice using the vocabulary words
- ♦ Read 20 minutes every night with my family
- ♦ Practice counting to 99, 120, etc. with my family

GES Kindergarten Teachers



Join us on Thursday, January 10, 2019 at 6:00P.M. for our Literacy & Math Family Fun Night!

