

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 school 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

What is a School-Parent Compact?

The parents, students, and staff of Monte Sano Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact of Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parent 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, participate, and/or observe in the classroom, please contact: Mrs. Beth Strickland at StricBe@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us or 706-481-1813 Ext. 465.

Building Partnerships

There are many parent volunteer opportunities available, whether you would like to work with small groups of students, help out the teachers, or work in the media center. Trainings will take place monthly and a calendar will be provided.

In addition, there will be many additional opportunities to come to the school and learn strategies to help your children at home, gain valuable information about state testing, learn about community resources, etc.

Monte Sano Elementary looks forward to building a strong relationship with each parent. Through positive relationships, all involved will benefit. We look forward to working with you. We hope for an open line of communication that will keep you informed for the highest level of involvement possible.

Detailed information for each opportunity will be sent when available.

Communication About Student Learning

Monte Sano 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:

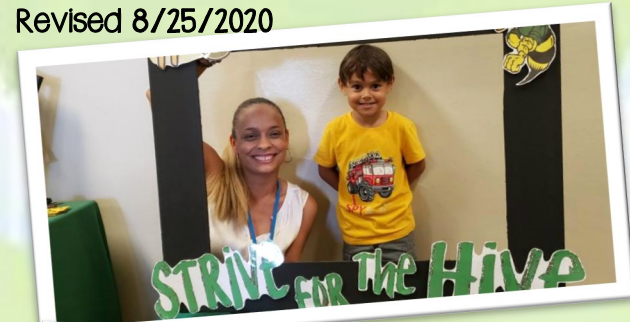
- Monthly school newsletters
- School website
- ShoutPoint calls (whole school automated calls)
- Weekly graded papers
- Parent conference days
- Student agendas/behavior folders

Do you have a question about your child's progress?

Contact your child's teacher and request a conference any time.

School-Parent Compact for Achievement 2020-2021

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MONTE SANO ELEMENTARY

Mrs. Josephine Lane, Principal

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Our Goals for Student Achievement

DISTRICT GOALS

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for 2020-2021 are:

Reading - All students on grade level by the end of 3rd grade.

Math - All students on grade level by the end of 4th grade.

MONTE SANO ELEMENTARY GOALS

Reading - To increase reading proficiency on the GA Milestones by 15% over 3 years. To accomplish this goal, our school will:

- Focus on better phonological awareness, phonics, and high frequency words instruction in K-2nd grades
- Focus on better vocabulary skills by explicitly teaching vocabulary through daily read alouds

Math - To increase math proficiency on the GA Milestones by 15% over 3 years. To accomplish this goal, our school will:

- Focus on a deeper understanding of numbers and operations by being more consistent and diligent about using manipulatives in the beginning of a unit of study (especially in K-2nd grades)
- Focus on students becoming more fluent in math facts
 - * K-2nd - Addition and subtraction facts
 - * 3rd-5th - Multiplication and Division facts



When teachers, students, and families work together, we CAN achieve our goals!

Teachers, Parents, Students - Together for Success

In the School



In the classroom, teachers will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Provide students with meaningful homework that will keep parents informed of the current learning taking place in the classroom
- Keep school and teacher websites up to date to keep parents informed about current learning goals and activities
- Send home graded papers weekly to keep parents informed of students performance, conduct, and work habits
- Offer suggestions for strategies, extra practice, suggested tutoring options, and form a unified plan for success
- Contact parents to schedule a conference to discuss when students are in danger of failing

At Home



Monte Sano 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.

- Have fun with math. Use fun items in the home for manipulatives, i.e. cereal, pennies, goldfish, pom poms, etc.
- Try to attend all school events designed to offer support, resources, and ideas that would facilitate learning at home
- Encourage i-Ready practice at home since it is specifically designed for each individual child's needs
- Monitor that homework is completed and reviewed for quality and understanding so parents can clear up misunderstandings
- Look for flyers, newsletters, and any other form of communication from the school daily
- Contact teachers when they are concerned about their students progress, grades, or behavior

Monte Sano Students

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

- Daily communicate homework with parents and ask them to review homework before returning to school
- Share all forms of communication, flyers, newsletters, agendas, daily folders, graded papers, etc., with parents
- Be consistent and committed to independently read daily, Monday through Thursday nights to improve reading skills
- Put forth effort to complete i-Ready lessons at home
- Set learning goals for self, communicate, and track these goals with parents

