

Family/Parent-School Compacts

A family/parent -school compact is a written agreement that family/parents, students and teachers will work together to ensure all students reach grade-level standards. We will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and families/parents will build and develop a partnership to help students achieve this goal.

- In the fall of 2017 a Family Forum will be held to develop our family/parent-school compacts .
- Teachers worked with administration and Title I program managers to revise the compacts for the 2017-2018 school year.
- In September 2017 compacts will be sent home to gain family/parent signatures.



Compact Availability

All family/parent school compacts will be housed in your child's homeroom. They will also be posted under the Title I tab of our website and additional copies will be in the Family Resource Center.

Student Academic Achievement

Georgetown will support a partnership among the school, family-parents, and community to improve student academic achievement through:

- Posting information on our website to enable understanding of topics such as State's academic content standards and student academic achievement standards, the State and local academic assessments including alternate assessments, how to monitor a child's progress, and how to work with educators.
- Hosting a Literacy Night and Math Night to provide information and strategies to help improve reading and math skills at home. Information and expectations will be shared about mClass, Eureka Math, Balanced Literacy, Lexiles, MAP, and GMAS. Sessions will be offered about the various technology resources that parents can use.
- Communicating District events, such as FAST (Family Academic Strategic Time), Student Success Expo, Parent University, and Title I Meetings , in a timely manner.

Annual Meeting

Annual Title I Meeting for all families/parents will be conducted during the fall of the 2017-2018 school year. The meeting will be held at different times to encourage more family/parents and guardians to attend. At the meeting, parents will be informed about the Family Engagement Policy, Family/Parent-School Compacts, Family Engagement budget, and the School-wide Plan.

Georgetown K-8 School

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**2017-2018
Family Engagement
Policy
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What is Title I Targeted Assistance ?

Georgetown is identified as a Targeted Assistance Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I targeted assistance schools are designed to support State and local school reform, to enhance efforts to improve student achievement, and to support family/parental involvement. Students selected to be served through Title I targeted assistance are based on a ranking system.

**Principal
Mrs. Kelli Hamilton**

What is a Title I Family Engagement Policy?

This is a plan that describes how Georgetown will provide opportunities to improve family engagement to support student learning. We value the contributions and involvement of families/parents to establish an equal partnership for the common goal of improving student achievement. This plan describes the different ways that the school will support family/parent engagement and how families/parents can help plan and participate in activities and events to promote student learning at school and at home .

Policy Accessible:

We want to make our Family Engagement Policy accessible to you in many ways.

*School website under the Title I tab.

* Each student will receive a copy via communication folder in the Fall.

*Copies will be available in our Family Resource Center.

Professional Development



Georgetown provides yearly training to educate the staff on how to reach out to communicate and work with families/parents as equal partners. Trainings will be conducted during faculty meetings, professional development workshops, mini presentations, and webinars.

How can we improve family/parental involvement?

Georgetown Elementary School believes that family/parental involvement involves regular communication between the school, families/parents, students, and teachers. We will take the following measures to promote our policy and support family/parental involvement in order to improve student achievement.

* Provide you with vital academic and school safety information in a timely manner.

*Provide a flexible number of school meetings and family/parent workshops to support student achievement at various times.

*Ensure that all information relating to school and family/parent programs, meetings, and activities is sent home two weeks in advance of such events.

*Share information with you in many ways: school website, newsletters, remind 101, class dojo, and community boards.

*Collaborate with community leaders and business partners.

*Listen and respond to feedback given through surveys, feedback forms, and in person.

*Provide opportunities to have family/parent conferences with teachers to improve student achievement.

*May provide transportation, child care or home visits, as such services relate to parental involvement.

Jointly Developed

Georgetown jointly developed Family/Parent-School Compacts, Family Engagement Policy, Family Engagement budget, and School-wide Plan.

* In the fall of Family Forum will be held to develop and provide feedback on our Family/Parent-School Compacts, Family Engagement Policy, Family Engagement Budget and School-wide plan for the 2017-2018 school year.

Families/parents also completed a the Annual Spring Survey to provide input.

* The staff worked jointly with our administrators and Parent to revise the compacts and family engagement policy for the 2017-2018 school year.



Transitions

Georgetown will coordinate and integrate family/parental involvement programs in the following areas:

* Kindergarten Orientation Program will be held in Spring 2018.

***Students transitioning from 8th to 9th grade will have a meeting with counselors & parents will have opportunities to hear from various high schools.**

Additional Support

Georgetown will offer meetings/workshops based on family/parents' need or requests in areas such as bullying, attendance, Family Resource Center resources, and translations.