

James R. Tate Elementary School

School-Parent Compact

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

James R. Tate Elementary School and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) agree 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 Arkansas's high standards. *This school-parent compact is in effect during the 2017-2018 school year.*

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES

James R. Tate Elementary School will:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet Arkansas's student academic achievement standards as follows:

Van Buren Instructional Model

- Content- Learners construct or build knowledge through processes that include conceptual engagement, organizing knowledge and metacognition.
- Process- Explicit Instruction Model: Explain, Model, Guided Practice, Independent Practice, Apply, Create and Share
- Content- Comprehensive Literacy, Standards-Based Math, Inquiry-Based Science

2. Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

October 17th and October 19th 3:30-6:30 p.m. (school dismissed at 2:00 p.m.)

March 27th and March 29th 3:30-6:30 p.m. (school dismissed at 2:00 p.m.)

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

1st Quarter

Progress Reports- *Sept. 14th*

End of 1st Quarter- *Oct. 13th*

Report Card Distribution- Oct. 17th

3rd Quarter

Progress Reports- *Feb. 1st*

End of 3rd Quarter- *March 9th*

Report Card Distribution- March 27th

2nd Quarter

Progress Reports- *Nov. 16th*

End of 2nd Quarter- *Dec. 20th*

Report Card Distribution- Jan. 10th

4th Quarter

Progress Reports – *April 24th*

End of 4th Quarter- *May 29th*

Report Card Distribution- Last Day of school

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

James R. Tate Elementary School believes a successful partnership with parents is the key to student success. Teachers will communicate regularly with parents concerning classroom goals and activities, as well as individual information on student progress. If a situation arises which requires the immediate attention of the student's teacher or principal, parents may call the school to schedule a conference or contact the teacher via email.

5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows (but not limited to):

- Open House (August 10, 2017)
- Science Night (December 7, 2017)
- Report to the Public (September 13, 2017 at 1:30)
- Grandparent's Day (September 19 & 21 7:00 – 8:00 a.m.)
- Scholastic Book Fair (September 18 - 22, 2017 and February 26- March 3, 2018)
- Fall Festival – (To be announced)
- Fall Fundraiser – August 21 – September 5, 2017
- Parent/Teacher Conferences (October 17 & 19, 2017 and March 27 & 29, 2018)
- PTA Council Luncheon (quarterly – various locations – to be announced)
- PTA Reflections, Mother's Day Store, Valentine's Delivery Shop
- Monthly PTA board meetings
- Tiger Pride store (October 16, December 18, March 10, and May 25)
- Holiday Market (December), Clothes Closet, Birthday desserts/treats for faculty & staff
- Dojo (Parent-Teacher communication), Remind (Parent-School communication)
- Fourth grade camp, Stay & Play
- Tailgate night – PTA (Sept. 15, 2017) Family Night (TBA) Fun in the Sun (May 21, 2018)
- Class parties, Teacher recognition
- Grade level performances (TBA)
- Rise & Shine (Fridays)
- Student of the Month (first Friday of the month – September through May)

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

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

- Ensure our children attend school regularly by monitoring their attendance.
- Make sure our children are prepared for class by arriving on time and with the appropriate materials.
- Stay in contact with our children's teachers through regular communication- reading and responding to all notices.
- Support the goals of the school and participate as much as possible in the decision-making processes related to our children's education.
- Volunteer when needed.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES *(Created by James R. Tate 5th grade K-Kids and Ambassadors)*

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

- **T**ake time to listen, to pay attention, and to participate in class
- **A**lways encourage, be patient, and show respect to others, self, and things.
- **T**ake the right materials, read more and be prepared for class by having assignments completed
- **E**very day try my very best.

Please sign and return to your child's teacher

_____ Student Signature

_____ Parent Signature

_____ Teacher Signature