

# School-Parent-Student Compact

## Mary A. Goetz Elementary

School staff and parents/guardians share a common goal: To support each child to achieve success in the classroom. Together, we can make this happen for each and every student. Each group has a role in achieving this goal, and they are outlined below. School staff members commit to these goals, and we hope parents and students will do the same.

### **we Ask that Parents/Guardians Commit to the Following:**

- Monitor daily school attendance to ensure that students arrive on time and are present every day.
- Become familiar with and support the school and individual classrooms' homework policies and show interest with questions and comments on the school work their child brings home.
- Make sure any homework is completed.
- Assist their child with time management.
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to their child's education.
- Stay in close communication with teachers and the school about their child's education by promptly reading all notices and surveys from the school or school district and responding if necessary.
- To the extent possible, consider volunteering, serving on a school council/committee, attending School-Based Decision Making (SBDM) Council meetings, and commenting on the draft policies and plans as they are made available.

### **we Ask that Students Commit to the Following:**

#### PRIMARY

- Attend school as regularly as possible.
- Follow the school and classroom behavior standards.

#### INTERMEDIATE

- Attend school as regularly as possible.
- Follow the school and classroom behavior standards.
- Bring necessary learning materials to school and to class.
- Complete and turn in all assigned homework.
- Give parents/guardians all notices and information received from school.

## **The School Staff commits to the Following:**

- Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in an effective, supportive, and safe learning environment that enables the students to meet Kentucky's academic standards.
- Provide information on the content that students will learn each year through the methods listed in our Curriculum Policy.
- Assign homework in accordance with our Homework Policy.
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress. Specifically, we will provide formal reports every nine (9) weeks.
- Hold Parent-Teacher Conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual student's achievement. Opportunities (where appropriate) will be provided for the student to participate actively in sharing information on his or her progress with his or her parents during these conferences.
- Provide parents reasonable access to staff. The email addresses and telephone extensions of their child's teachers will be provided to parents to promote communication. Staff will always be available to parents by appointment for face-to-face conferences.
- Send home newsletters at least four times per year that include information on ways families can help students learn.
- Support an active Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO).
- Provide parents opportunities including, but not limited to:
  - Observing their child's classroom activities
  - Tutoring
  - Assisting with classroom activities that require more than one adult
  - Preparing materials, mailings, refreshments, and other items needed for family and community involvement
  - Serving on one of our decision-making committees
  - Joining our Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) and participating in its efforts to strengthen our school
  - Volunteering along with other concerned members of our community in other areas as needed
- Ensure that all adult volunteers working in our school and with our students are subject to board policy and state law regarding criminal record checks, as applicable.
- The Family Resource & Youth Service Center will survey families at least once per year to learn what services and activities would most help them support their children as learners. The FRYSC will offer a well-planned, well-publicized menu of activities and programs to meet these needs.

The school webpage has further details about school policies under the SBDM Quick Link. The FRYSC has details about their programs under the FRYSC Quick Link. Go to [www.ludlow.kyschools.us](http://www.ludlow.kyschools.us) and click on the Mary A. Goetz Elementary page to find these Quick Links.