



**School-Parent Compact**  
**Marion County Middle High School**  
**School Year 2017-2018**



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Marion County Middle High School students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the state's high standards.

A school is only as good as the combined efforts of the students, parents, and faculty/staff; therefore, it is imperative that each group understands what is expected. Each student should be helped to reach his/her highest potential for intellectual, emotional and physical growth. To achieve this, the home and school must work together by recognizing and agreeing upon the responsibilities of each stakeholder in the learning process. To understand how working together can benefit your child, it is first important to understand our district's and school's goals for student academic achievement.

**Marion County School System's Goals:**

- Ensure that all students have access to a quality education in a safe and challenging learning environment.
- Provide resources to support academic success in core content areas (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies)
- Provide students with access to technology that will support learning across all curriculum areas.
- Develop a partnership that is based on shared responsibility among the school system, family and community for students' learning and development.

**Marion County Middle High School's Goals:**

- Provide curriculum instruction (including remediation, tutoring and differentiation) in accordance with local, state and federal guidelines and policies.
- Provide educational instruction resources in Math and Reading to support increased learning and academic achievement on the Georgia Milestones: EOG and EOC.
- Provide resources to support academic success in core content areas (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies).
- Maintain a line of communication between school and parent on the academic progress of their child.
- Utilize technology across the curriculum to enhance student learning.

To help your child meet the district and school goals, the school, you, and your child will work together to provide the best resources to ensure your child has the proper support to be successful in his/her academic goals.

**SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES: MARION COUNTY MIDDLE HIGH SCHOOL WILL:**

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

- Providing a safe school environment for high quality instructions that meets the academic achievement standards and grade level requirements that are outlined by local and state policy.
- Offering opportunities for test remediation, credit recovery, and/or differentiated instruction to support an increased graduation rate and improved literacy skills.
- Keeping parents informed concerning local, state and federal assessments and testing requirements.
- Communicating school and classroom policies and expectations relating to grade level and/or subject matter to support and reinforce learning and study habits.
- Keeping parents informed and invited to events, activities and programs.
- Providing parents information, resources and tools that can be used at home to support homework and practice in mastering curriculum standards.
- Assigning meaningful homework and guidance which can include nightly reading and studying.
- Notifying parents if a student does not fulfill his/her classroom responsibilities.

**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.**

- Open House will be held at the opening of the school year and during the spring of the school year. *(Dates and times will be sent to parents through newsletter, newspaper and posted on the school's website.)*
- Parent-Teacher conferences will be held upon request by the teacher and/or parent to discuss academic progress, the school-parent compact, and any other concerns or issues related to student achievement.

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**3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children’s progress.**

- Parents may call the school office at (229) 649-7520 to schedule a meeting to discuss their child’s academics, behavior or other concerns.
- During each nine-week grading period parent/guardian will receive a mid-period Progress Report and an end of grading period Report Card.
- Parents can access PowerSchool through the Parent Portal on the school website to view current grades.

**4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff.**

- Teachers are available during designated planning periods for conferences.
- Contact the school office at (229) 649-7520 to communicate concerns or schedule a meeting with the faculty or staff. Faculty may also be contacted through e-mail. E-mail addresses may be found on the school website.
- Student agendas may also be used to communicate notes to teachers.

**5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child’s class and to observe classroom activities as follows:**

- Parents are informed about various school and class activities and events – (i.e., booster club, extracurricular events, student awards and recognition, etc.).
- Parents are made aware of opportunities to volunteer and participate in class and school activities through the school website, teacher webpages and newsletters, monthly school newsletters and correspondences (letters, notes, etc).
- Parents are invited to Open House, extracurricular activities, Grad Night, career related forums with guest speakers, college preparation events, and award programs.

**PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES: As a parent, I will do the following to help my/our child meet the overall district and school goals:**

- Be responsible for my son/daughter’s attendance **each** day and adhere to all school rules and policies.
- Challenge and motivate our child to do the best in all aspect of his/her learning.
- Contact the school at (229) 649-7520 about any concerns relating to our child’s learning.
- Ensure that my son/daughter complete his/her homework. *Refer to grade level and/or subject related materials (teacher webpage; school website-Student and Parent Information, Resources Links; newsletter; student agenda notes) to support study habits and increased learning.*
- Be involved in my son/daughter’s education *(attend Open House, know progress report and report card issue dates, sign and return all forms, communicate with the school, etc.).*

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES: As a student, I will do the following to meet the overall district and school goals:**

- Accept responsibility for being in class every day as well as follow **all** school rules and policies.
- Give 100% effort in all of my academics.
- Accept responsibility for my part of the learning process - i.e., having materials for class, homework assignments *(a vital part of homework is reading and studying each night)*, and make-up work.
- Accept responsibility for treating myself and others with **respect**.

Please review this School-Parent Compact with your child. This School-Parent Compact will be discussed with you throughout the year at different school-family events as we work together to help your child succeed in school. Marion County Middle High School updates the School-Parent Compact annually. Input is requested from all stakeholders (school, parents, and students). This information will be evaluated for implementation into our compact. Thank you for your support and involvement in your child’s education. If you would like to be part of a parent advisory committee or if you have suggestions for parent involvement activities, please contact the Title 1 Coordinator at the Marion County Board of Education at (229) 649-2234.

**You have received two copies. Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have read, received, and agree to this School-Parent Compact. Once signed, please return a copy to your child’s teacher. We look forward to our school-parent partnership!**

Student’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Representative’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Principal’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_