

***Kensington CAPA High School***  
**School-Parent Compact**

***2020-2021 School Year***

***Revision Date 5/14/2020***

**JOINTLY DEVELOPED**

The parents, students, and staff of Kensington Creative & Performing Arts High School partnered together to develop this school-parent compact for achievement. Teachers have suggested home learning strategies, parents added input about the types of support they needed, and students told us what would help them learn. Parents are encouraged to attend an annual revision meeting held in March each year to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. This year, the parent input meeting was held on May 14, 2020. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the School Family Engagement survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs, policies and family engagement.

To understand how working together can benefit your child, it is first important to understand the district's and school's goals for student academic achievement.

**THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA ANCHOR GOALS:**

1. 100% of students will graduate, ready for college and career.
2. 100% of 8-year-olds will read on grade level.
3. 100% of schools will have great principals and teachers.
4. SDP will have 100% of the funding we need for great schools, and zero deficit.

**Kensington CAPA High School GOALS:**

- At least 12% of students will score at Proficient or Advanced on the Algebra I Keystone exam.
- At least 90% of students will have zero out-of-school suspensions.
- At least 60% of 9th grade students will earn a minimum of 5 credits (four core plus one more) with As or Bs.
- At least 25% of 12th grade students will be firmly on track for graduation with As and Bs.
- At least 15% of students will score at Proficient or Advanced on the English Keystone exam.

- At least 4% of students will score at Proficient or Advanced on the Biology Keystone exam.

To help your child meet the district and school goals, the school, you, and your child will work together:

**SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Kensington CAPA High School will:

- The Kensington Creative and Performing Arts High School’s vision is for every student to be challenged to his or her fullest potential by requiring them to engage in higher order, analytical and critical thinking skills daily to solve complex problems academically and socially in their pursuit of becoming productive citizens.
- Our mission is to provide our students with a rigorous academic program and comprehensive educational experience in a safe, supportive learning environment, which will prepare them for post-secondary studies, careers, and opportunities in the field of expressive arts.
- Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child’s achievement.
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their children’s progress in writing and ensure that parents can access the parent portal.
- Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child’s class and to observe classroom activities.
- Before and after School meetings may be scheduled to discuss any concerns parents may have.
- Monthly calendars will be provided to parents to inform them of what is going on at the school.
  - Send all correspondence in the parent’s native language.

**PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

We, as parents, will:

- Monitor attendance;
- Make sure that homework is completed;
- Volunteer at my child’s school;
- Participate as appropriate in decisions related to my child’s education;
- Promote positive use of my child’s extracurricular time;
- Ensure that my child wears the school uniform daily;
- Acknowledge all correspondence is received;
- Maintain current contact information;
- Participate in The School Advisory Council.

### **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

KCAPA Students will be P.R.O.U.D.

- Prepared for each class every day
- Respectful of others and of myself
- On time for everything
- United with my school community
- Dedicated to learning

In addition:

Make sure all school correspondence is taken home;  
Complete all assignments.

### **COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:**

Kensington CAPA High School 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:

- Parent & Family Portal to access all information regarding your child's education.
- Back to School Night.
- Hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A program, and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements, and the right of parents to be involved under the Title I, Part A program.
- Kensington CAPA website.
- Parent Teacher Report Card Conferences.
- Provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions, and to participate as appropriate in decisions about the education of their children.
- Student/Family Handbook

### **ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:**

Kensington CAPA High School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- School Advisory Council
- Monthly Parent Volunteer Orientations
- Fall, Winter & Spring Title I Meetings
- Monthly Parent meetings and/or workshops
- LULAC, Congreso, Gear Up & Philadelphia Education Fund
- F.A.C.T. Family and Career Training