

Julia R. Masterman School
School-Parent Compact
2020-2021 School Year
Revision Date: 5/14/2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The parents, students, and staff of Julia R. Masterman partnered together to develop this school-parent compact for achievement. Parents are encouraged to attend annual revision meetings held in the spring each year to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. This year, that meeting took place 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.

J. R. Masterman's GOALS:

- Majority of middle and high school students will attend 95% or more of school days
- At least 95% of students will have 0 out-of-school suspensions
- 9th grade students will continue to remain on track to earn a minimum of 5 quality credits
- 12th grade students will continue to be on track for graduation
- Majority of middle and high school students will earn As and Bs in all courses
- To 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
- To enhance the core curriculum with advanced courses and provide support to middle and high school students to help them achieve their highest potential academically and socially

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

SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

J. R. Masterman will:

- *Hold parent-teacher meetings during the school year:*
 - *Two parent evening conferences and various afternoon conferences with teachers will be held which includes Back to School Night.*
- *Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress by*
 - *Sending home progress reports multiple times during the school year.*

- o *Having teachers update online grade book biweekly.*
- o *Holding IEP and CSA/MTSS meetings with parents, as needed throughout the year, to keep parents informed about their child's academic progress.*
- *Provide parents with reasonable access to staff.*
 - o *Staff will be required to meet with parents three times per year.*
 - o *Staff is also available by phone, email or by appointment.*
 - o *Support staff and administrators are available to parents as needed.*
- *Invite parents to volunteer at the school.*

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

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

- *Monitoring attendance.*
- *Making sure that homework is completed.*
- *Monitoring amount of technology my child utilizes.*
- *Volunteering with the school.*
- *Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education.*
- *Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.*
- *Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school and district, either received by my child or by mail, and responding, as appropriate.*
- *Serving, to the extent possible, on advisory groups, such as being on the School Advisory Council.*

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

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

- *Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need it.*
- *Give to my parents or guardian all notices and information received by me from my school every day.*

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

J. R. Masterman 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:

- *Student Information System/ Parent Portal*
- *Parent Teacher conferences*
- *Emails to parents on student's progress*
- *Robo-calls*
- *Masterman website*
- *Interim reports*

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

J. R. Masterman offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- *School Advisory Council*
- *Parent-Teacher Conferences*
- *Parent Workshops*
- *Open House*
- *Volunteering*
- *Home & School Association*
- *Back to School Night*
- *School events*