



## THE MORRISON SCHOOL

### **School-Parent Compact** **2020-2021 School Year** **Revision Date 05-11-2020**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

#### **JOINTLY DEVELOPED**

*The Andrew J. Morrison Elementary and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) agree that this compact outlines how 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 the State's high standards.*

**This school – parent compact is in effect during school year 2020-2021.**

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.

#### **Andrew J. Morrison Elementary GOALS:**

1. 70% of Kindergarten students and 50% of 1st (39%) and 2nd (40%) grade students will score at target by the Spring AIMSweb assessment.
2. No more than 20% of students will score below basic on the Math PSSA.
3. At least 60% of students will attend at least 95% of days or more.
4. At least 95% of students will have 0 out of school suspension.
5. At least 50% of Kindergarten students and 70% of 1st and 2nd grade students will make at least one academic year's worth of growth, as evidenced by their independent reading level from Q1 to Q4.
6. No more than 25% of 3rd Grade and 20% of 4th through 8th Grade students will score Below Basic on the PSSA-English Language Arts assessment.

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

**SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

**Andrew J. Morrison Elementary will:**

1. Provide the opportunity to discuss individual student progress during, but not limited to: report card conferences and Multi Tier Student Support (MTSS). Parents also have the opportunity to schedule meetings with the classroom teacher, counselor and/ or principal at any time.
2. Provide reports of student progress via interim reports, teacher communication folders, monthly MTSS meetings and report cards and conferences. Parents also have access to student information through the Parent Portal on schoolnet. If the child is not making adequate progress teachers are asked to send more frequent reports. (At least one report will be sent prior to the end of each report card period.) In addition, staff will contact parents via telephone to provide verbal feedback regarding their children's progress.
3. Provide the opportunity to meet with their child's classroom teacher during report card conferences, MTSS meetings, Back to School Night, or scheduled meetings during teacher prep times. If preferred, conferences may be scheduled before and after school hours. Every measure will be taken to accommodate the needs of the teacher and the parent in order to ensure that students' educational needs are being addressed. Parents will be informed, and will be reminded often via announcements and information sent home, to contact teachers if they have any concerns about their children's progress.
4. Teachers will invite parents to visit the classroom and to participate in instructional activities in addition to special programs and events.
5. Clear and detailed communication about my child's progress.
6. Giving the parent/caregiver ways to support their child's learning at home.
7. Demonstrate and uphold our Community Values of: Focus, Planning, Self Control, Awareness, and Flexibility.

**PARENT/CAREGIVER RESPONSIBILITIES:**

We, as parents, will:

1. Making sure that students are on time to school everyday, on time for all students is 8:30AM. At 8:40AM, students are late.
2. Monitor attendance.
3. Make sure homework is completed.
4. Make sure my child comes to school in full uniform each day.
5. Monitor the amount of television my child watches.
6. Volunteer in my child's school.
7. Participate, as appropriate in decisions relating to my child's education.
8. Promote positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
9. Stay informed about my child's education and communicate with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.
10. Serving, to the extent possible, on School Advisory or policy groups.
11. Update your contact information as soon as it changes with your child's teacher and with the Main Office.
12. Demonstrate and uphold our Community Values of: Focus, Planning, Self Control, Awareness, and Flexibility.

### **STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

We, as students, will:

1. Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need it.
2. Read independently each day outside of school.
3. Give my parents or guardian all notices and information received by me from my school every day.
4. Come to school on time every day.
5. Wear my full school uniform at all times.
6. Coming to school prepared with books and supplies.
7. Completing class work and assignments.
8. Follow school rules and the Student/District Code of Conduct.
9. Provide teachers and administrators their ideas for school improvement.
10. Give to my teachers or staff all notices and information received by me from my parent/guardian.
11. Take an active interest in cleaning up behind myself in all areas of the building.
12. Participate in school and community events.
13. Demonstrate and uphold our Community Values of: Focus, Planning, Self Control, Awareness, and Flexibility.

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

Andrew J. Morrison Elementary 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:

1. We provide all communication in parents' main language, in a uniform and clear format
2. Robo calls (*concerns about whether or not these are blocked by spam filters*)
3. Flyers
4. School Monthly Calendar
5. Interim Reports
6. Report Card Conferences
7. Class Dojo/Remind App (if teacher uses)
8. School Instagram Account: themorrisonsschool\_philly

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

Andrew J. Morrison Elementary offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families:

1. Parent Workshops: Attendance, Literacy, Mathematics, Homework Help
2. Parents have the opportunity of volunteering by contacting the Climate Manager
3. Member/attend School Advisory Council (SAC) members and by obtaining required child abuse clearances required by the SDP.
4. Chaperone trips by obtaining required child abuse clearances required by the SDP.
5. Art & Culture Night
6. Other community events will be led by our Specialist/Elective teachers.
7. Need to develop a Community Beautification Team to do different service projects in and around the building.