William Rowen Elementary School

School-Parent Compact
2018-2019 School Year
Revision 3/6/18

Dear Parent/Guardian,

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The parents, students, and staff of the William Rowen Elementary School partnered together to develop this school-parent compact for achievement. Teachers 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 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, the parent input meeting was held on March 6, 2018. 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 1 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.

William Rowen Elementary School Goals:
• At least 70% of Kindergarten will score at target by the Spring AIMSWeb assessment
• At least 50% of 1st and 2nd Grade will score at target by the Spring AIMSWeb assessment
• At least 60% of Kindergarten will make at least one year’s worth of growth, as evidenced by their independent reading levels in Q1 and Q4
• At least 75% of 1st and 2nd grade students will make at least one year’s worth of growth, as evidenced by their independent reading levels in Q1 and Q4
• At least 80% of K-2 students will score at least 80% on Wilson Fundations Unit Tests
• No more than 25% of 3rd grade students will score Below Basic on the Reading PSSA
• At least 60% of students will attend 95% or more of school days.

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• 100% of Kindergarten through 2nd grade students will have 0 out-of-school suspensions
• At least 25% of parents will attend Academic Parent Teacher Team Meetings

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

**SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:**
William Rowen Elementary School will:
• Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment
• Provide parents with frequent reports on their children’s progress
• Provide parents reasonable access to staff.
• Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child’s class, and to observe classroom activities
• Host various workshops/events where families will receive strategies for at-home activities
• Provide interventions to students at after-school programs
• Provide online interventions for students to utilize at home
• Provide rewards, monitoring and encouragement for daily attendance
• Provide a PBIS rewards system to sustain proper school behavior

**PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**
We, as parents, will:
• Monitor attendance
• Make sure that homework is completed, checked and signed
• Monitor the amount of television my child watches
• Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child’s education
• Promote positive use of my child’s extracurricular time
• Stay informed about my child’s education and communicating 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
• Sign up for a Family Portal account for monitoring
• Communicate with staff about concerns in a timely manner
• Serve, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as being the Title I, Part A parent representative on the school’s School Improvement Team, The Title I Policy Advisory Committee, the Statewide Policy Advisory Council, the State’s Committee of Practitioners, the School Support Team or other school advisory or policy groups.

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:**
• Arrive on time and be prepared to participate in lessons.
• Do homework every day and ask for help when I need it.
• Come to school prepared with the necessary supplies and tools I need for learning.
• Wear the required uniform daily.
• Follow the rules set forth by the School District of Philadelphia’s Student Code of Conduct
• Follow the Student Code of Conduct and the Student and William Rowen Elementary School Parent Handbook to ensure safety and success at school on a regular basis
• Follow the six pillars of character
• Practice the Rowen School Pride Cub Pledge daily

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• Study and prepare myself for projects and assessments.
• Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.
• Give to my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.
• Copy homework into agenda book and share with guardian daily

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:
William Rowen Elementary 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:
• Monthly calendars
• Periodic flyers/letters sent home
• Phone calls/robo calls
• Back to School Night
• School Website
• Rowen Facebook page
• Parent and Family Portal
• Parent/Teacher conferences
• Scheduled meeting with staff
• Communication Folders
• SAC Meetings
• School-Wide PBIS Reward System
• Volunteer Orientations

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:
William Rowen Elementary School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.
• Kindergarten Open House
• Monthly School Advisory Council meetings
• Parent/Family workshops
• Fall, Winter, Spring Title 1 Parental Input Meeting
• Volunteer Orientation and volunteer opportunities
• Parent and Family Resource Table across from the Main Office
• School Tours
• Various school-wide events such as concerts, art show, field day, etc.
• APTT meetings

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