

What is a

School-Parent Compact?

As a Title I school, Barack and Michelle Obama Academy 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 the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the state's high standards.

Jointly Developed

Parents and staff of Barack and Michelle Obama Academy jointly developed this School-Parent Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, administration identified school and district goals, and parents added suggested items for the student role. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on student needs.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

Building Partnerships

Throughout the year parents will have opportunities to partner with the staff at Barack and Michelle Obama Academy to enhance their understanding of the standards as well as the curriculum and to celebrate student success. Some events to look forward to include:

- Parent -Teacher Conferences
- Curriculum Nights
- Parent/Family Engagement Activities

Detailed information will be made available on the school's website and sent home with students via the weekly Eagle Courier.

Communication

Barack and Michelle Obama Academy is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Student weekly Eagle Couriers with Parent Newsletter. (every Wednesday)
- Progress reports sent home at each 4½ week point.
- Report Cards sent home at the end of each 9 weeks.
- Updates on the school website
- Regular Parent -Teacher conferences

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Goals for Achievement:

APS District Goal:

Our students will be well-rounded individuals who possess the necessary academic skills and knowledge and are excited about learning.

School Goals:

BaMO Academy administrators and the Leadership team have studied our performance data. Highlighted below are the goals extracted from our school wide plan:

- ◆ Increase the percentage of students in grades 3-5 scoring proficient or above in reading/ELA from 9% to 12% in June 2023.
- ◆ Increase the percentage of students in grades 3-5 scoring proficient or above in math from 12% to 15% in June 2023.
- ◆ Increase the number of parents participating in Academic Parent Teacher Teams (APTT) in kindergarten through second grade by 10%.

BaMO Academy Staff:

The teachers, specialists and support staff at BaMO Academy will work with students and their families to develop student's Reading competency according to grade level standards. The focus of our key connections with families will be:

- ✓ Provide parents with a variety of reading strategies that meet Common Core Standards. Examples of each will be provided through newsletters, homework and classroom parent meetings or conferences.
- ✓ Teach students and parents how to use a variety of strategies through grade level Curriculum Nights in order to expose parents to Common Core Georgia Performance Standards.

In the Classroom:

Students will:

- ◆ Experience explicit teaching/learning of Tier 2 and Tier 3 vocabulary words
- ◆ Improve reading skills through research-based activities geared towards improving phonological awareness.
- ◆ Learn to respond to complex text based on the language of the standards.

Teachers will:

- ◆ Offer targeted intervention during a personalized instruction block based on students' specific needs.
- ◆ Ensure protected quality of learning time through decreased classroom interruptions.
- ◆ Create active and authentic learning opportunities through the use of technology for students in all content areas.
- ◆ Participate in regular Professional Development to enable all students to meet state student academic achievement standards.

At Home:

Families will:

Families can support students' reading understanding by:

- ✓ Using academic based games at home to help your child in reading comprehension.
- ✓ Helping your child develop a love of reading by reading with them at home for at least 20 minutes each day.
- ✓ Going to the local public library together and check out books on a regular basis.

BaMO Academy Students:

BaMO Academy students can succeed in school and meet our school goals in reading. As a student, I can:

- ✓ Talk with my family about what I am learning at school.
- ✓ Read at least 20 minutes each day.
- ✓ Use complete thoughts and sentences when I speak and write.
- ✓ Use the reading strategies I have learned to complete my class and homework.