



2022-2023

SCHOOL PARENT COMPACT

Sylvan Hills Middle School
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WHAT IS A SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT?

Middle School is the transitional bridge that takes our families from elementary to high school. Our School-Parent Compact (SPC) is a written agreement between the school community and parents. The SPC provides an opportunity to create a partnership between the Sylvan Hills community, teachers and families. It explains how families and schools can work together to help our scholars prepare for high school, college and career. This written agreement provides strategies to help connect learning at school and home.

APS DISTRICT 2022-2023 GOAL SYLVAN HILLS 2022-2023 ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GOAL AND FOCUS

Sylvan Hills' primary and secondary focus for this school year is literacy and math. It is our goal to increase the percentage of students scoring proficient or above on the GA Milestones by 3% from our 2021-2022 data.

Area of Emphasis (Schoolwide.)

Students will read for fluency and comprehension and write with strong evidence from text using cited and/or paraphrased examples with a personal explanation that supports the evidence.

In order to ensure our scholars grow academically, the faculty and staff of Sylvan Hills promises to :

- Make literacy a priority across all content areas by
 - implementing a meaningful literacy intervention in order to focus on reading.
 - incorporating writing throughout all content areas.
 - Integrate close reading annotation strategies in ELA , social studies, and science classrooms in order for students to comprehend complex texts.
- Provide 21st century literature to increase students' interest in reading.
- Ensure literacy curriculum and math workshops are included in the Parent Engagement Program.
- Host parent-teacher conferences bi-weekly and provide opportunities for parent to meet with ELA and math teachers specifically.

Vision

The vision of Sylvan Hills Middle School is to provide a nurturing and safe environment where students become critical thinkers, problem solvers, lifelong learners, and productive citizens.

Family Engagement

Sylvan Hills offers ongoing events and workshops to provide parents and families opportunities to become engaged and play a role in their child's education.

- classroom observations
- volunteer opportunities
- parent teacher conferences
- family nights
- academic workshops & seminars
- parent university

SCHOLAR ACADEMIC AGREEMENT

As a scholar I promise to do the following to grow academically and successfully :

- Read out loud at least 20 minutes a day
- Daily journal writing
- Check out books from the media center that are aligned with my Lexile range
- Attend tutorials and ask for extra assistance
- Use RACE strategy in ELA, science, and social studies and ACE in math

PARENT ACADEMIC AGREEMENT

As a parent/guardian I promise to do the following so that my scholar will be successful:

- Establish routines to support my child's success in school by attending to the following:
 - monitor attendance
 - homework & reading
 - nutrition
 - grooming & hygiene
- Incorporate reading and writing in everyday tasks
- Designate at least 20 minutes a day for reading out loud
- Attend curriculum workshops and parent nights
- Attend parent-teacher conferences to discuss my child's progress

Jointly Developed

Sylvan Hills' School Parent Compact was developed by parents, caregivers, teachers, administrators and the GO Team. Revisions to the SPC were made from the feedback received through the virtual meeting and survey. Changes were made that align with the school-wide plan to suggest learning strategies based on Sylvan Hills' focus areas and goals.

The School-Parent Compact is available in the Parent Center and the Main Office



Contact the school for more information (404) 802-6236
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Center Room 1308