



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.

Parental Involvement

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

- Classroom Observations
- Parent Volunteer
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- Content Nights every 3rd
 Wednesday of each month!
- Monthly Workshops & Seminars



Jointly Developed

This first drafts of the school-parent compact were composed on Saturday, April 28 and Saturday, May 12, 2018.

Parents and staff worked with the Parent Liaison to design a practical strategy for parents and students to use at home. Parents provided input during the 2018 Title I Input Meetings to review and revise the compact. Meetings are held annually to make changes that align with the School-Wide Plan to suggest learning strategies based on Sylvan's focus areas and goals.

The School-Parent Compact is available in the Parent Center, Main Office and a copy can be found on the School's Website.



Contact Ms. P for more information <u>mdparkmon@atlanta.k12.ga.12</u> (404) 802 - 6236 Parent Resource Center Hours ~ Room 1218 Mon. - Fri. ~ 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Sylvan Hills Middle School's School Parent Compact 2018 – 2019



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Cultivate...Change... Celebrate...

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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 Community of the school, teachers and families. It explains how families and schools can work together to help our scholars succeed. This written agreement provides strategies to help connect learning at school and home.



School-Parent Compact



<u>APS District 2018-2019</u> <u>Academic Achievement Goal</u>

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

Sylvan Hills 2018-2019 Academic Achievement Goal & Focus

Sylvan's primary and secondary focus for the school year is literacy and math. We will work hard to ensure that we increase the percentage of our students scoring proficient or above on the GA Milestones by 10% from our 2017-2018 data.

Area of Emphasis (SCHOOL-WIDE)

Students will read for fluency and comprehension and write with strong evidence from texts using cited examples without quotation marks or transitional words. The measureable benchmark goals we have established to address our needs are: SCHOOL ACADEMIC AGREEMENT:

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

- Make reading a priority across all content areas by:
 - ✓ Implementing a meaningful literacy/math block (Success For All/Power Teaching Math) in order to focus on reading and math
 - ✓ Incorporating writing throughout all content areas
 - ✓ Integrate Close Reading Annotation Strategies in ELA, Social Studies, and Science classrooms in order for students to connect literacy and reallife connections into the classroom.
- 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 weekly and providing opportunities for parents to meet with ELA teachers specifically

SCHOLAR ACADEMIC AGREEMENT

As a scholar I promise to do the following so that I will grow academically and be successful:

- Read out loud to my parents at least 20 minutes a day
- Write my thoughts in a journal daily
- Check out books from the Media Center that are aligned with my Lexile score
- Attend tutorials and ask for extra assistance
- Use RACE strategy in all content classes

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:
 - 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