

# *Fairfield Township School*

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## **School-Parent Compact**

The Fairfield Township School District, and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (participating children), agree that this compact outlines how the 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 2014-2015.

## **Required School-Parent Compact Provisions**

### **School Responsibilities**

The Fairfield Township School District will:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:

**Fairfield Township School District utilizes the New Jersey Model Curriculum to ensure proper alignment of our curriculum to the Core Content State Standards. Please visit our website at [www.fairfield.k12.nj.us](http://www.fairfield.k12.nj.us) for more information and to view the Model Curriculum.**

2. Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

**Fairfield Township School District will hold parent-teacher conferences on November 23, 2015 and November 24, 2015. At any time during the school year, parents are welcome to request a parent-teacher conference to review their child's progress.**

3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

**Fairfield Township School District will issue progress reports for all students quarterly at the end of every marking period.**

4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:

**Instructional Staff members will be available for parent consultations at Fairfield Township School District prior to the start of the school day, after student dismissal and during preparation periods. Staff members will be available for phone or face-to-face consultations during these times. To request a consultation, parents can call the Fairfield Township School District Main Office at (856) 453-1882.**

5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:

**Parents interested in volunteering and participating in their child's class may sign up with the Fairfield Township School District Parent Liaison, Ms. Dawn McQueen. Ms. McQueen will send a notice to parents at the beginning of the school year for all parents interested in volunteering. Parent volunteers will be rotated for fairness during classroom activities.**

**Parents who would like to observe a classroom activity or lesson must call the Main Office at least 48 hours in advance of the requested visit. Administration will arrange for the parent observation with the student's teacher. When observing, parents are asked to remember that recording devices are not permitted, nor is the transcription of the lesson or activity. As this is a time during which the staff member is engaged in his/her responsibilities, it is not an appropriate time to try to engage the staff member in conversation. If a parent-teacher conference is requested or needed, Administration would be more than pleased to arrange for one at another time. The length of the observation will be limited to one instructional period.**

### **Parent Responsibilities**

We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

1. **Monitoring attendance.**
2. **Making sure that homework is completed.**
3. **Monitoring amount of television their children watch.**
4. **Volunteering in my child's classroom.**
5. **Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.**
6. **Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.**
7. **Staying 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.**
8. **Serving, 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 District wide Policy Advisory Council, the State's Committee of Practitioners, the School Support Team or other school advisory or policy groups.**