

## **Nichols-Lawson Middle School Parent/Teacher Compact**

The Nichols-Lawson Middle School, and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 (ESSA) (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 2020 - 2021.**

### **SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES:**

#### **The Nichols-Lawson Middle School 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:
  - a. Highly Qualified Educators
  - b. Rigorous Curriculum
  - c. Differentiated Instruction
  - d. Research-Based Curriculum
  - e. Flexible Grouping
2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual student's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held at the request of the teacher or parent.
3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:
  - a. Mid-Term Progress Reports
  - b. Nine-Week Report Cards
  - c. Important information sent home via student agenda when necessary
  - d. I-NOW as an available and regularly updated online communication tool for a child's most recent progress
  - e. Notices of academic/behavioral interventions when implemented through RTI (Response-to-Instruction)
4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
  - a. Access to teachers daily through emails, phone calls, and correspondence through student agendas or online applications.
  - b. Personal consultations can be scheduled through the front office with teachers at available weekly times.
5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's education and to observe classroom activities, as follows:
  - a. Parent Visitation Days
  - b. Open House
  - c. PTO
  - d. Parent Volunteering
6. Ensure regular two-way, meaningful communication between family members and school staff, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that family members can understand. School staff will provide such communication, as follows:
  - a. Email communication, phone calls, and correspondence through student agendas or online applications (available daily)
  - b. Parent Visitation Days
  - c. Open House

### **PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

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

- Ensuring attendance and on-time arrival daily.
- Making sure my child reads daily and completes homework as assigned.
- Volunteering my time, when available.
- Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education.
- Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district.
- Serving, to the extent possible, on advisory groups, such as Title I advisory committees and parent and family engagement committees.

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the state's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Complete class work assignments in a timely manner.
- Follow ALL school rules with a positive attitude.
- Do homework as it is assigned and request help as needed.
- Attend school and be on time.
- Be prepared for class.
- 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.
- Follow all CHAMPS and CHAMPIONS rules and suggestions as they relate to good habits.

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Principal

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Assistant Principal

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Classroom Teacher

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature