

What is a School-Family Compact?

A School-Family Compact is a written commitment describing how all members of a school community (parents/family members, staff, and students) agree to share responsibility for student learning. This compact helps bridge the learning connection between school and home.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Share strategies that staff, families and students can use to improve student learning
- Share strategies families can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents/family members will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents/family members to observe, and participate in the classroom

Communication about Student Learning

J.C. Magill is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student learning. Some of the ways we can foster effective communication include: Parent/Teacher Conferences, utilization of agendas, Friday Folders, Parent Portal, email, phone conference, letters, and teacher eCLASS pages.

J.C. Magill Parent Center

Parents are welcome to visit our Parent Center at any time.

Please contact: Lakia Williams

Location: Room 1.239 (across from the Cafeteria)

Hours: Monday through Friday

9:00 AM – 3:15PM

Email: Lakia_Williams@gwinnett.k12.ga.us

Activities to Build Partnerships

- *Title I Planning Meeting: August 15, 2017 @ 10 AM & 6 PM*
- *Curriculum Night August 21 (K-2) & August 22 (3-5) @ 6PM*
- *Title I Document Review August 25-29 @ 9 AM - 3PM*
- *Parent Center Orientation: August 30, 2017 @ 10AM & 6PM*
- *Parent Workshop- Math Strategies : September 11, 2017 @ 10 AM & 6 PM*
- *District Title I Parent Meeting: September 12, 2017 @ 6 PM - Location: Lilburn Library*
- *District Title I Parent Meeting: September 14, 2017 @ 9 AM - Location: Central Gwinnett High School*
- *Title I Annual Parent Meeting: September 19, 2017 @ 10 AM & 6 PM*
- *Parent Workshop– It's Conference Time: Improved Communication with Teachers and Schools : September 21, 2017 @ 10 AM & 6 PM*
- *Literacy Night: October 17, 2017 @ 6:00 PM*
- *Parent Workshop- Reading Wars! November 9, 2017 @ 10 AM & 6 PM*
- *Parent Workshop- "Write Right" : February 27, 2018 @ 10 AM & 6 PM*
- *STEAM Night: March 13, 2018 @ 6:00 PM*
- *District Title I Parent Meeting: March 27, 2018 @ 9 AM – Location: TBD*
- *District Title I Parent Meeting: March 29, 2018 @ 6 PM- Location: Five Forks Trickum Library*

Using authentic arts integration to help all students succeed academically, socially, and artistically.



J.C. Magill Elementary School-Family Compact 2017–2018



**We
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at
Magill!**

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Our school, families, students, and other stakeholders were involved in the joint-development of this School-Family Compact.

J.C. Magill Elementary School-Family Compact

Dear Family,

This compact outlines how the parents/family members, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement at J.C. Magill. This compact also describes how the school and families will build and develop a partnership to help students achieve the State's high academic standards.

To understand how working together can benefit your child, it is necessary to understand our district and school's goals for student academic achievement.

Goals of Gwinnett County Public Schools:

Language Arts: All students will graduate as analytical readers, writers, and communicators of language.

Math: Students are not only expected to become proficient in appropriate computational skills, but also to be actively involved in constructing and applying mathematical ideas.

Science: Students will develop a strong content understanding in the earth, life, and physical sciences as well as develop problem-solving and critical-thinking skills.

Social Studies: Students will develop a strong understanding of themselves and their role and responsibility in society by discovering the heritage of their nation within a global context.

At J.C. Magill we will provide all students with high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment.

Teachers, Families, and Students - Working Together to Achieve Success

Goals of J.C. Magill :

J.C. Magill Elementary School's LSPI goals target literacy and math, however the compact will focus on recognition of high frequency sight words, reading with fluency and comprehension, as well as, basic math fact fluency and problem solving.

Teachers, Families, and Students—Working Together to Achieve Success

The teachers, parents/family members, and students of J.C. Magill, worked jointly to develop the School-Family Compact.

All families are invited to be involved in the joint development and revision of the School-Family Compact. The Compact is written and reviewed annually with input and feedback from families, teachers, community business partners and other stakeholders at the Title I Planning Meeting and document review opportunities. Compacts are revisited during parent/teacher meetings and during parent workshops throughout the school year.

At J.C. Magill, we will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math.

Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Provide parents with fun reading and math games, activities and learning materials that focus on sight words and reading comprehension as well as basic math fact fluency and math problem solving. The resources are available to check out for use in the home through our Parent Center.
- Offer family friendly Literacy and STEAM (Science, Technology, Arts, & Math) Nights where parents can learn games and activities to support fluent recognition of sight words, reading comprehension strategies, basic math fact fluency, and problem solving.
- Offer parents workshops where the Parent Instructional Coordinator in collaboration with Math and Literacy coaches will model practices on how to specifically work with students on math problem solving and reading strategies for comprehension at home.
- Provide a school eClass pages with family friendly links to fun

websites for building sight word knowledge, reading comprehension, math facts practice, and math problem solving skills so that parents can support their child's learning at home.

As students of J.C. Magill, we will join staff and parents to develop ideas about how we can succeed in school and reach success in math and reading. The following ideas are to help make connections between learning at home and school:

- Explore with my family on the school eClass pages and fun websites to practice my reading and math skills each week.
- Bring home my Friday Folder and notices about parent workshops, Literacy and STEAM Nights. Ask my family to attend and play the games that we learn to make reading and math fun.
- Keep a weekly log of the games and activities that I play at home with my family to practice reading and math.
- Read nightly to practice my sight words and reading comprehension.
- Practice my math facts and problem solving with my family each day.

As Families, we will join the staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading and math.

- Have fun with reading and math with my child by using materials checked out from the Parent Center to explore math and reading at home.
- Attend Literacy and STEAM Nights with my child, as well as parent workshops to learn reading comprehension and math problem solving strategies as well as how to develop constructed responses. Get information from the Parent Center or my child's teacher if we can't attend.
- Look for the class newsletter each Friday in the Friday Folder and check out the school eClass pages. Encourage my child to play games on the recommended educational websites weekly to reinforce their reading comprehension and math problem solving skills.