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School-Parent Compact
2020-2021 School Year
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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The parents, students, and staff of Lewis Elkin Elementary School partnered together to develop this school-parent compact for achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added input about the types of support they needed, and students told us what would help them learn. Parents are encouraged to attend annual revision meetings held in Spring each year to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. This year, a meeting was held on June 1, 2020 (virtually) to allow parents the opportunity to provide input into the development of this School Parent Compact. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the School Family Engagement survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs, policies and family engagement.

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

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA ANCHOR GOALS:

1. 100% of students will graduate, ready for college and career.
2. 100% of 8-year-olds will read on grade level.
3. 100% of schools will have great principals and teachers.
4. SDP will have 100% of the funding we need for great schools, and zero deficit.

LEWIS ELKIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GOALS:

1. Increase the number of students who will attend at least 95% of days or more.
2. Increase the number of students who have 0 out of school suspensions.
3. Increase the number of Kindergarten students will score target by the Spring AIMSWeb.
4. Increase the number of 1st graders will score target by the Spring AIMSWeb.
5. Increase the number of 2nd graders will score target by the Spring AIMSWeb.
6. Increase the number of 3rd graders will score below basic on the PSSA Literacy.

To help your child meet the district and school goals, the school, you, and your child will work together:



SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

Lewis Elkin Elementary School will:

- Provide regular parent workshops in academic content areas such as PSSA preparation, Math and Reading Intervention Programs, Parent Portal, Dual Language and other related topics.
- Provide opportunities to review and provide input on the school plan, the school budget, and the Parent Involvement program in order to create opportunities for parents to be part of the decision-making process.
- Hold parent-teacher conferences three times per year and at various times to accommodate the varied schedules of our parents/families
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress
- Provide parents reasonable access to staff
- Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's classroom and learning experience

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Parents will:

- Monitor student attendance
- Ensure that homework is completed
- Monitor amount of television my child watches
- Volunteer in my child's classroom
- Promote positive use of my child's extracurricular time
- Stay informed about my child's education and communicate 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
- Attend the monthly Parent Meetings
- Participate at The School Advisory Council

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Students will:

- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need it
- Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time
- Give to my parents or guardian all notices and information received by me from my school every day



COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

Lewis Elkin Elementary is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Parent & Family Portal
- Parent Teacher Report Card Conferences
- Regular student performance reports on the State assessments of math, language arts and reading.
- Automated Phone Calls through School Messenger system
- Class Dojo
- Monthly calendar with school events
- Weekly communication folder
- Updated school website
- Updates to social media platforms (Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram)

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

Lewis Elkin Elementary School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- School Advisory Council
- Parent Volunteer Orientations
- Eat.Right.Now
- Parent Cafes
- Coordination with the Family and Community Engagement Office of the School District of Philadelphia
- Coordination with local Pre-K programs to inform parents of our Kindergarten open houses in the Spring