



WHAT IS A SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT?

A School-Parent Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students, and teachers develop collaboratively. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to ensure all students reach grade-level standards. Effective Compacts:

- ✓ Link to goals of the School Improvement Plan
- ✓ Focus on student learning skills
- ✓ Share strategies parents can use at home
- ✓ Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress



HOW PARTNERSHIPS ARE BUILT

At Jasper Middle School we believe when our school and families work together, our students benefit. We do this by offering numerous opportunities for families to participate in activities such as open house, parent-teacher conferences, chaperoning dances, volunteering in the media center and the reading buddy program, assisting with Dragon Dollar program, and attending curriculum nights and extra-curricular events.. Please check the Jasper Middle School calendar which is located on our website for dates and times. Reminders will also be sent via Messenger in Infinite Campus and by automated phone calls.



JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The parents, students, and staff of Jasper Middle School developed this School-Parent Compact for student achievement. Teachers suggested strategies parents could use at home. Parents were invited to provide feedback in person at the Pickens County Parent Advisory Council meetings or at the school. Students were included by expressing the ways they learn best. In addition, parents were also invited to complete a Parent Involvement Survey during the spring of last year. Parents could also call or email their suggestions. Ideas gathered from the meetings and surveys were used to develop this Compact and other Title I-A plans. Opportunities for teacher, parent, and student input are provided each year through meetings and surveys.



Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time. Contact Anita Walker at 706-253-1760

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING

Jasper Middle School is committed to two-way communication with families about their students' learning and progress. The staff strives to provide communication, to the extent practicable, in a language family members can understand. Some of the ways you can expect to hear from us are:

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| • Routine newsletters | • Phone calls, mass emails, and notes home |
| • Event information on school website and social media | • Attendance and academic information via Infinite Campus |
| • Teacher web pages | • Progress reports and report cards |
| • Remind 101 | |



Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by phone 706-253-1760 or by email. E-mail addresses are on the school website @ <http://jaspermid.pickens.k12.ga.us>.



GRADUATION AND LIFE PREPARATION FOR ALL!

2017-18 District Goals	2017-18 JMS Goals	Our Commitment to Parent Involvement
<p>The district goals for 2017-2018 focus on improving student achievement in all core content areas (ELA, Math, Science and Social Studies) and supporting all levels of learners.</p> <p>Goal 1: Increase student achievement as reflected on CCRPI by 3% of the gap each year from the baseline year per the Strategic Waiver.</p> <p>Goal 2: Provide instructional strategies focused on mastery of content through professional learning opportunities designed to address all levels of learners.</p>	<p>Jasper Middle School’s Improvement Team, teachers, and administrators have studied the data to decide on the goals below for JMS. One of our school goals is to increase the GA Milestones scores by 5% in all grade levels and content areas for levels two, three, and four.</p> <p>In all grades, a focus will be on the reading and vocabulary domain as well as the writing domain. There will also be a focus on the following math skills: multiplication in 6th grade, individualized math skills in 7th grade, and integers in 8th grade.</p>	<p>Jasper Middle School is committed to parent involvement and will do the following to help ensure the academic achievement of our students:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome all families 2. Communicate effectively 3. Ensure families have an understanding of the JMS curriculum. 4. Partner with parents 5. Collaborate with our community

PARENTS – STUDENTS – TEACHERS WORKING TOGETHER FOR SUCCESS

In the Classroom

The staff at Jasper Middle School will work with students and their families to support students’ success. Some of our key connections with families will be:

6th grade:

- ✓ The teacher will provide vocabulary and definitions along with strategies to use for studying.
- ✓ The teacher will provide multiplication fact charts and strategies to use for studying

7th grade:

- ✓ Teachers will provide supplemental vocabulary practice.
- ✓ Teachers will provide links to various math support sites and instructions on using the sites.

8th grade:

- ✓ Teachers will provide close reading strategies to assist with reading comprehension and context clues.
- ✓ Teachers will provide step by step instructions for creating concept maps for new vocabulary.
- ✓ Teachers will provide instructions for playing integer wars.

At Home

Jasper Middle School parents provided ideas on how families can support students’ success.

6th grade:

- ✓ Parents will help students practice vocabulary using strategies provided by the teachers.
- ✓ Parents will help students practice multiplication facts.

7th grade:

- ✓ Parents will monitor and support completion of vocabulary tasks and assess students’ knowledge of terms.
- ✓ Parents will monitor and support students as they navigate math sites.

8th Grade:

- ✓ Parents will utilize strategies while engaging with student in the reading process.
- ✓ Parents will assist students with creating concept maps,
- ✓ Parents will spend time with their child(ren) playing integer wars.

Jasper Middle Students

Jasper Middle School students provided ideas about how students can succeed in school and strive for excellence.

6th grade:

- ✓ Students will create flash card for vocabulary words
- ✓ Students will create flash cards with math facts

7th grade:

- ✓ Students will apply vocabulary strategies to complete and master workbook lessons.
- ✓ Students will use sites to access a variety of resources and will enable them to approach mastery of the math concept.

8th grade:

- ✓ Students will read to their parents using close reading strategies.
- ✓ Students will create and review concept maps.
- ✓ Students will practice integer rules through the integer war game.

