



What is a School-Parent Compact?

A *School-Parent Compact for Achievement* is an agreement that parents, students, and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

Effective compacts:

- ✓ Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- ✓ Focus on student learning skills
- ✓ Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- ✓ Share strategies parents can use at home
- ✓ Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- ✓ Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer and participate in the classroom.

School-Parent-Student Compact for Student Achievement 2020-2021

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Activities to Build Partnerships

Parent Meetings

- ✓ October 7, 2020
- ✓ December 9, 2020
- ✓ March 3, 2021
- ✓ May 5, 2021

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

Team Work, 5 Houses in One Family!

The parents, students, and staff of Walnut Bend Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and students told us what would help them learn. Meetings are held annually to review the Compact and make changes based on student needs.

Walnut Bend 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:

1. Monthly "check-in" notes or phone calls
2. Updates on the school website
<https://www.houstonisd.org/walnutbendes>
3. Current grades in the Parent Portal:
<https://www.houstonisd.org/psc>

If you have questions about your child's progress please contact your child's teacher through e-mail, TEAMS, or Remind.

Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goal(s)

Goal 1- The percentage of students reading and writing at or above grade level on STAAR for grade 3 through English II shall increase by three percentage points annually.

Goal 2: Among students who exhibit below satisfactory performance on state assessments, the percentage who demonstrate at least one year of academic growth, as measured by the STAAR progress measure, shall increase three percentage points annually in math.

Goal 3: To increase the capacity of all teachers and leaders to enhance student learning through best practices and academic rigor.

School Goal(s) and Focus Areas(s)

Walnut Bend Elementary administrators and teachers have studied our student performance data to determine the most important areas of improvement for our school.

Goal 1: Increase achievement levels on English Language Arts and Math Texas STAAR Assessment by 3% in 2020-2021.

Goal 2: Increase the percentage of English Learners with positive movement as measured by the TELPAS test from 35% to 40% in 2020-2021.

Goal 3: The percentage of students attending school will improve to 96% in 2020-2021.



Teachers, Parents, and Students—Together for Success

Teacher/School Responsibilities:

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 student with his/her reading level and help him/her find a book in the media center on his/her level.
- ✓ Provide instructional opportunities and challenges every day.
- ✓ Deliver the best quality instruction through the HUB, it will contain assignments, due dates, digital resources, and upcoming events.
- ✓ Provide up-to-date grades and assignments within POWER SCHOOL (Parent Portal).
- ✓ Incorporate login and usage of The HUB, TEAMS and all Digital Resources (Clever)

Family Responsibilities

Walnut Bend Elementary parents can support students' success at home:

- ✓ Provide my child with a quiet place to read each night at home.
- ✓ Motivate my child to participate actively in class, go to school every day and give the best to reach his/her goals.
- ✓ Encourage my child to focus on homework for at least 25-30 minutes, offer help if they need it, and set a timer to keep him/her on track.
- ✓ Check my child's HUB Class for daily for assignments, due dates, and upcoming events.
- ✓ Have continuous access to the HUB, and the Parent Portal through Power School to get current grades and assignments.
- ✓ Read and respond communication from my child's teacher and the school

Student Responsibilities

Walnut Bend students can succeed in school and can make connections between learning at home and school in these ways:

- ✓ Reading a book on my reading level in a quiet place provided by my parent.
- ✓ Work on homework each day for at least 25-30 minutes, asking my parents for help if I need it, and using a timer to keep myself on track.
- ✓ Write in down daily assignments, due dates, and upcoming events. Let parents know when there is a note form teacher regarding behavior or academic progress. Also check The HUB and all digital resources assigned for classwork (Renaissance, Imagine Math, Literacy, My Own, ST Math, etc.).
- ✓ Check with teachers about missing assignments and low grades. Remind parents to check current grades and missing assignments.
- ✓ Get at least 9 hours of sleep and keep myself safe, clean, and healthy.