

About the Family School Compact

What Is It?

The Hickman Family School Compact is a written agreement teachers and parents develop together explaining how they will work together to ensure all students reach high academic standards.

Our compact

- Is linked to the goals of the Hickman School Improvement Plan
- Is focused on student learning skills
- Describes how teachers will help students develop necessary skills using high quality instruction
- Shares strategies parents can use at home
- Explains how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describes opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom

The Parent School Compact is developed jointly by teachers, parents, and students. The compact is reviewed yearly and changes are made based on student needs.

Hickman welcomes any suggestions for school improvement at all times.

Parent Involvement Activities

Hickman School promotes building partnerships with parents, including chances for parents to volunteer, take part in, and observe classroom activities, and communicate with teachers in the following ways:

- *PTA membership and events*
- *Classroom volunteers*
- *Event volunteer*
- *Read Me Week-parents are invited to read to classes*
- *Family Literacy Nights-families participate in games and activities supporting a love for reading*
- *Parent trainings*
- *Muffins for Moms*
- *Doughnuts for Dads*

Communication Plan

Hickman School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's progress. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

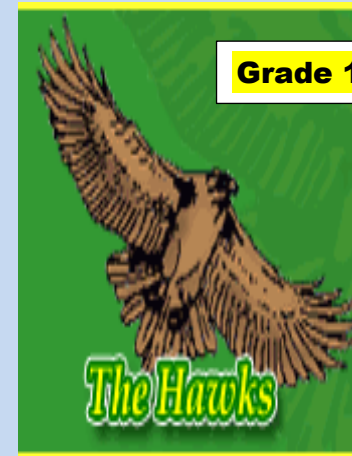
- *Daily agendas/Communicators*
- *Newsletters*
- *Phone calls, notes, call-outs*
- *Emails, Text reminders*
- *School Website*
- *Report Cards and Progress Reports*
- *Parent Teacher Conferences*
- *Parent meetings and trainings on instructional strategies to use at home*

Family School Compact For Achievement

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Parent Teacher Student Compact

Please sign agreement. Tear off this section and return the signature page to your child's teacher.

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I, (teacher) _____, agree to support students' learning and provide high quality curriculum and instruction as noted under *Classroom Happenings*.

I, (parent) _____, agree to be responsible for supporting my child's learning as noted under *Parent Guidance*.

I, (student) _____, agree to be responsible for my learning stated under *Helping Set Goals*.

Our Goals for First Grade Student Achievement

MNPS District Goals

Goal 1: Ensure that school, district, and community leadership is focused on high student achievement and cultivates a collaborative environment that produces excellence for our diverse student body.

Goal 2: Graduate all students from high school with college and career readiness by ensuring academic success for every student.

Goal 3: Create a self-renewing organization of great teachers and leaders.

Goal 4: Provide an effective data system to support instruction.

Goal 5: Turn around low-achieving schools and replicate success.

Characteristics of a 4th Grade Graduate

Hickman School will ensure that all 4th grade graduates meet the following characteristics:

- Ready for middle school
- On track to score at least a 16 on EXPLORE
- Completion of a technology portfolio
- Completion of service learning
- Social emotional learning skills readiness

First Grade Classroom Happenings

As a first grade teacher, I will support student learning by:

- Provide a literacy rich environment with focus on small, guided group instruction to increase fluent and independent reading skills.
- Provide multiple opportunities to develop critical mathematical skills through differentiated instruction.
- Provide a safe, secure, and positive environment where all children achieve their fullest potential.
- Provide sight words and math facts for daily home use.
- Provide a daily home folder for teacher and parent communication.

First Grade Parental Guidance:

In support of student learning, as a Hickman parent, I will:

- Read daily with my child. I will practice sight words and math facts nightly.
- Check and sign the communication folder daily.
- Check my child's backpack daily for homework and/or completed work to ensure accuracy of understanding and mastery of skills.
- Send my child to school ready to learn, well rested, and prepared for the day. I will reinforce school and classroom rules and expectations.
- Attend Parent Teacher Nights.

Helping First Graders Set Goals

As a Hickman first grader, I will:

- Practice the assignments in my communication folder nightly. I will practice reading daily.
- Be a good citizen by following the school and classroom rules each day.
- Show my communication folder and completed work to my parents every night.
- Do my best at all times.

