

## **Title 1 Parent School Compact**

JES' "Title I School Wide Program" allows the school to use its federal Title I funds to support a broad range of supplemental programming that strengthens instruction on a school wide basis. We use Title I funds to support our school by paying for math and literacy interventionists, providing professional development for staff, and funds to partner with our families.

As part of JES' "Schoolwide" Title I program, we have developed the following "parent-school compact", which sets forth the responsibilities that each of the three main partners in education – students, parents, and staff – must fulfill in order maximize educational outcomes for our students. It is important that families and schools work together to help students achieve high academic standards. Children feel a sense of pride when they know their parents are involved at their school and teachers feel rewarded and appreciated when they are supported by parents. The role of parents in a child's education is crucial and Johnson Elementary School welcomes you to become an active participant in our school community.

### **Staff Commitments**

The staff of the Johnson Elementary School agrees to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of our abilities:

#### **School Learning Environment**

- We will provide an inviting, safe, and caring learning environment.
- We will model the school expectations of Respect, Responsibility, and Safety.
- We will participate in professional development to improve teaching and learning

#### **Academics**

- We will develop curriculum that supports students in learning the content set forth in the Common Core State Standards, Next Generation Science Standards, College Career and Civic Life Framework for Social Studies
- We will provide meaningful assignments both at school and/or at home to reinforce and extend learning
- We will set high expectations for students
- We will motivate our students to excel
- We will help every child to develop a love of learning.

#### **Habits of Mind**

- We will honor the whole child
- We will nurture and emphasize skills for life-long learning
- We will nurture and emphasize social and emotional cognitive skills and problem solving so that the student can engage in happy and healthy relationships
- We will promote a growth mindset in which the student experiences success along their own personal continuum

#### **Family and School Partnership:**

- We will support the formation of partnerships with families and the community.
- We will communicate regularly with families about student progress.
- We will actively participate in collaborative decision-making and consistently work with families and colleagues to make our school an accessible and welcoming place

### **Parent / Caregiver Commitments**

The parents/families of Johnson Elementary School students agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of their abilities:

#### **Home Learning Environment**

- I will communicate the importance of education and learning to my child(ren).
- I will read to my child(ren) and/or encourage them to read independently every day.
- I will provide my child(ren) with a quiet time and place for homework.
- I will monitor and limit my child's screen time (TV, computer, video games, etc.)

#### **Health and Wellness**

- I will ensure that my child(ren) attend school every day, on time
- I will ensure that my child(ren) has a regular sleep schedule appropriate for his or her age
- I will ensure that my child(ren) has access to proper nutrition at home and/or through the school meals program

#### **School Communication**

- I will regularly monitor my child(ren)'s progress in school.
- I will attend the Parent Teacher conference in November
- I will contact my child(ren)'s teacher regularly to support my child(ren)
- I will feel comfortable contacting the school principal, Mr. Manning, as needed
- I will become familiar with school policies and procedures

#### **School Involvement**

- I will participate in activities such as the PTA, volunteering, chaperoning field trips and special events
- I will attend School Board meetings and/or read the meeting minutes
- I will Respect the school, staff, students, and families.

### **Student Commitments**

The students of the Johnson Elementary School agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of their abilities:

- I will come to school ready to learn and work hard.
- I will bring necessary materials, completed assignments, and homework.
- I will know and follow the school expectations of Respect, Responsibility, and Safety.
- I will communicate regularly with my parents and teachers about school experiences
- I will read every day after school.
- I will limit my screen time (TV, computer, video games, etc.)

**How to communicate your concerns to the school:** Effective communication between parents and school staff is essential. If you have a question or concern about your child or any aspect of what is happening at school, you should use the following process:

- It is usually best to start by contacting your child's teacher.
- If you are dissatisfied with the teacher's response or if you feel the issue is not appropriate to discuss with the teacher, then you should contact the Principal.
- If the Principal is not able to resolve the issue to your satisfaction, then you may bring it to the attention of the Superintendent.
- If you are still not satisfied, you should contact the School Board.