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Please review this School-Parent Compact with your child. This School-Parent Compact will be discussed with you throughout the year at different school-sponsored family events as we work together to help your child succeed in school.

VALDOSTA CITY SCHOOLS  
J.L. NEWBERN MIDDLE

Revised October 6, 2017



School-Parent Compact  
2017-2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Newbern Middle School, students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

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

What is a School-Parent Compact?

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

Please sign and date to acknowledge that you have read, received, and agree to this School-Parent Compact. Once signed, please return the bottom portion of the form to your child's homeroom teacher. Please keep the remainder of the brochure to refer to for your records. We look forward to our school-parent partnership!

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TEACHER'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_



Rick Thomas, Principal

Let's Be Committed to Building Greatness!



## ***Valdosta City School's Goals:***

- Increase Literacy Achievement for all students K-12**
- Increase Numeracy Achievement for all students K-12**
- Improve school culture and climate in all district schools**
- Establish Professional Learning Communities Districtwide**

## ***Newbern Middle School's Goal:***

**Newbern Middle School will increase the number of students in Grades 6-8 achieving at levels 3 and above by 10% in:**

**ELA: from 15% on the spring 2017 ELA GMAS to 25% on the spring 2018 ELA GMAS**

**Math: from 14% on the spring 2017 Math GMAS to 24% on the spring 2018 Math GMAS**

## **Activities to Build Partnership**

- Session 1: Literacy & Numeracy Night held in the NMS academic classrooms at 6:30 PM on September 7, 2017**
- Session 2: Literacy & Numeracy Night held in the NMS academic classrooms at 5:30 PM on October 25, 2017**
- Session 3: Literacy & Numeracy Night held in the NMS academic classrooms at 5:30 PM on January 23, 2018**
- Session 4: Literacy & Numeracy Night held in the NMS academic classrooms at 6:00 PM on March 26, 2018.**

## ***Teachers, Parents, Students- Together for Success***

### **We, at Newbern Middle School, will:**

1. provide high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards.
2. conduct four training sessions with parents to instruct them on how they may assist the school in increasing their children's Lexile scores and numeracy skills.
3. show respect for the diversity of all students and their families.
4. provide differentiated instruction that meets the needs of all learners.
5. send home a 4-1/2 week Interim progress report and a Report Card each nine week grading period.
6. participate in parent/guardian conferences to create a home-school collaboration.
7. provide parents reasonable access to staff.
8. provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities.

### **We, as parents, will:**


1. see that my child attends school regularly and is on time.
2. communicate with my child's teachers on a consistent basis.
3. establish a designated study time and assist with homework and test preparation.
4. attend school sponsored events and trainings sessions as often as possible.
5. attend Parent-Teacher conferences and extracurricular activities.
6. be aware of what my child is learning, what is expected of the student, and how my child performs on each assignment using Parent Portal, Interim progress reports, and/or looking through my student's notebooks.

7. make sure my child is reading daily.
8. sign and return all interim progress reports and report cards.

### **We, as students, will:**

1. believe that I can learn and I am responsible for my learning.
2. demonstrate respect for myself, for others, and my school.
3. maximize learning time by obeying school and bus rules.
4. try to do my best in my academic work and in my behavior.
5. come to school with a positive attitude and prepared to learn.
6. work cooperatively with my classmates, teachers and other school staff.
7. communicate with my parents/guardians about what happens each day and upcoming events at school.
8. understand that reading influences my performance in all classes.

**If you would like to volunteer for school events, please contact: Dr. Tiffanie Williams, Parent Engagement Facilitator at 229-333-8566 Ext. 3364.**

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