#### What is a School-Parent Compact?

A School-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 School-Parent 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, observe and participate in student learning.



# How is the School-Parent

### **Compact Developed?**

The parents, students, and staff at Arnold Magnet Academy 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 each year to review the Compact and make changes based on student needs.

We welcome parent input. If you would like to volunteer, check-out resources, or offer comments/suggestions please contact Christine Meriweather, Family Services Coordinator, at (706) 748-2436 or by email at

### **Building Partnerships**

- Parents and guardians are invited to attend Family Engagement Activities and workshops that are offered at the school.
- Parents and guardians are encouraged to become active participants in student achievement.
- Parents/Guardians are encouraged to utilize the Parent Resource area to checkout educational materials to continue at-

### **Communication about Student Learning**

Arnold Magnet Academy 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:

- Standards-based parent newsletters
- Updates on the school's website
- Progress reports and report cards
- Parent-teacher conferences
- Current grades on the Parent Portal
- Remind



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## Arnold Magnet Academy School-Parent Compact 2019-2021

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#### 2021 District Goal

By July 2023, the Muscogee County School District will implement a Leadership Development Program, Personalized Learning, a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) with a "Culture of Kindness".

### 2021 Arnold Magnet Academy Smart Goals

- By May 2021, 100% of all teachers will be trained on formative assessments with 80% of the teachers demonstrating effective implementation as evidenced by walkthroughs, Achieve 3000, Lexia, and IXL data.
- By May 2021, 100% of all teachers will be trained on Georgia PBIS Module 3 (Consequence System for Academic Engagement) with 80% of teachers demonstrating effective implementation as evidenced by walk-throughs.

## Our Students

Students are encouraged to participate in the educational process. A successful student takes ownership of his/her learning and sets high educational goals. Arnold students are encouraged to do the following:

- Set academic and PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) goals.
- To self-monitor behavior and adhere to PBIS standards
- Practice math and reading skills at home to improve speed and accuracy.
- To take all required tests and assessments.
- Let my teacher and family know if I need help with any subject area.
- Bring home notices about upcoming STEAM events and Family Engagement activities.
- For students who reside in residential facilities served by the Muscogee County School District, all parental involvement correspondences and activities information will be mailed to students' residing facilities.



## Our Parents

Arnold Magnet Academy parents are encouraged to become active participants in student achievement. Without cooperation and partnership between parents and school staff, we cannot effectively help a student reach his or her fullest potential. Parents are their first teachers and parents are encouraged to provide continual academic support. Parents are asked to do the following:

- Check-out educational resources (from the Parent Resource Area) to use at home with their children. The Parent Resource Area is located in Ms. Meriweather's office.
- Attend Family Engagement Activities to learn more about our Smart Goals, STEAM program, PBIS initiative, and Formative Assessments. Please see Ms. Meriweather for additional information.
- Visit the school's website for information on upcoming events and activities. Flyers will be sent me to announce each event. Standardsbased newsletters will also be sent home.
- Check the Parent Portal often. Parent Portal is an on-line information system where parents can view their child's grades and progress. You cannot access this site without your Parent Portal letter. The letter contains valuable instructions and can be picked up from the school's office with a picture ID.



## **Our Teachers**

Teachers are expected to work with students and their families on academic success by focusing on reading & math skills, Formative Assessments, and PBIS Module 3. Some of the teachers' key connections with families will be:

- Administer STAR Reading and Math Diagnostic Assessments
- Monitor student outcome through QBA, Pre-Post assessments, and individual conferencing.
- Continue Professional Development classes to include Discovery Education and PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports).
- Implement social and emotional learning curriculum.
- To use problem-based (STEAM) instructional strategies.
- Create a partnership with every family and inform them of the school's progress with PBIS and STEAM.
- Monitor student progress in all subjects and regularly update parents. Keep the lines of communication open through phone calls, text messages, Remind, e-mails and notes.
- Keep the Parent Portal site updated.

