

White Knoll Elementary School

A Title I School Lexington County School District One 2023--2024 Family-School Compact

District Information

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District Mission

Our mission is to cultivate a caring community where ALL learners are extraordinary communicators, collaborators, creators and critical thinkers.

School Information

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School Mission

At WKE we are committed to educating ALL children by building lasting relationships and nurturing each child for success.



What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School Compact is an agreement that explains how parents, teachers, administrators, and students work together to make sure all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade level standards. To maximize academic growth and support school goals, the compact provides expectations for families, students, classrooms, and schools. By working together, students' learning opportunities will be maximized.

School Expectations

- Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive, effective, and safe learning environment
- Progress monitor with formative assessments (part of daily instruction) and summative assessments (end of chapter tests, end of unit tests) to support each student's yearly growth in reading and math
- Assist all students in meeting their learning targets by providing academic and behavioral supports
- Provide parents access to staff through phone, voicemail, email, and written notes
- Align curriculum to South Carolina academic standards to support higher learning
- Collaborate with teachers, school librarians, and instructional coaches to use data in planning and providing for personalized learning, support, and enrichment to meet students' needs

School Goals

- 1. We will strive to ensure 100% of our students will feel safe and cared for at White Knoll Elementary
- 2. We will increase the academic achievement of all students in ELA and math
- 3. We will increase the amount of community events and enhance our relationships with our families and community



Family Expectations

- Ensure students attend school regularly and arrive on time
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of our children
- Promote positive use of our children's extra-curricular time
- Volunteer at school when possible
- Monitor homework assignments and sign the student agenda daily
- Partner with the school for activities and learning opportunities during the year



Classroom Expectations

- Build relationships with students and develop an environment conducive to growing the whole child
- Plan collaboratively with others and implement the workshop model for reading, writing, phonics, and math
- Provide take-home materials for students such as leveled books, math and reading tips in classroom newsletters, summer reading books, and more
- Keep families informed of their child's progress through phone calls, notes, emails, conferences, and progress reports
- Schedule conferences at a variety of times to accommodate the needs of parents
- Provide homework that supports topics learned at school

Student Expectations

- Live our best behaviors in all areas of life
- Bring home class newsletters and notices regarding family nights
- Come to school ready to learn
- Give your personal best effort each day for learning and behavior
- Read every day outside of school
- Respect other students, adults, and their property



Family Engagement Opportunities

- Attend school events
- Volunteering in the classroom, library, and cafeteria when possible
- Attending PTO and Title I Planning Committee meetings
- Participating on the Lexington One District Title I Planning Committee
- Serving as a student mentor or tutor when possible

School-Home Communication

White Knoll Elementary School is committed to communicating frequently with families regarding student learning. Our communication includes quarterly report cards, parent-teacher conferences, student agendas, weekly communication folders, emails, phone calls, and written notes.

If you have any questions and/or comments, please contact Elizabeth Whisennant, Principal. Phone: (803) 821-4500 Email: ewhisennant@lexington1.net

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