

## What is a School-Parent Compact?

A School-Parent Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, families, students, and teachers develop together. It explains how parents/families and teachers will work together to help all of our students reach grade-level standards.

### Effective Compacts:

- Focus on student learning and success.
- Describe student development through high quality instruction.
- Describe how parents/families can be involved.
- Outline modes of parent-teacher communication.
- Share strategies for helping students at home.



## Jointly Developed

The parents, students and staff of Smiley Elementary School 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 in the spring to review and make changes to the compact based on student needs. The learning environment is ever changing, and we recognize this. With your help, we can make sure we are meeting the changing needs of our students.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

A volunteer packet can be obtained in the Smiley office.

## Building Partnerships

Smiley has many opportunities for you to join us!

- **ESOL/ Migrant Parent Night-**  
August 14 (Meeting Location: LCMS/MES)
- **Annual Title I Meeting-**  
August 21<sup>st</sup>
- **Back to School Bash-**  
August 30<sup>th</sup>
- **PTO Meetings-**  
August 21<sup>st</sup>, October 23<sup>rd</sup>,  
February 5<sup>th</sup> & April 30<sup>th</sup>
- **Curriculum Day/Picnic for Parents-**  
Kindergarten- September 20<sup>th</sup>  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade- September 28<sup>th</sup>  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade- September 21<sup>st</sup>
- **Book Fair-**  
Fall & Spring

## Communication about Student Learning

Smiley Elementary is committed to regular two-way communication about your student's learning. Some of the ways you can expect to hear from us are:

- Daily homework folders
- Weekly newsletters
- Updates on the SES website, District Facebook page, and current grades in PowerSchool
- Parent Conferences for understanding student progress and setting goals
- Academic check-ups- for all grade levels

If you have questions about your child's progress please contact your child's teacher by phone (912-545-2147) or email. Email addresses can be found at our school website:

[smileylementary.com](http://smileylementary.com)

## School-Parent Compact For Achievement 2018-2019

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"Students will listen, learn and always do their best as they focus on the future to one day leave the nest"

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## Teachers, Parents, Students – Together for Success

### Our Goals for Student Achievement

#### District

- Long County School District will improve student learning and achievement by increasing student/teacher attendance by 3% annually.

#### School

- Smiley Elementary School will improve student learning and achievement by increasing the number students reading on grade-level by 3% for the 2018-2019 school year.

### PARENTS HAVE THE RIGHT...

In compliance with the requirements of the Every Students Succeeds Act, Smiley Elementary School would like to inform you that you may request information about the professional qualifications of your student's teacher(s) and/ or paraprofessional(s). The following information may be requested:

1. Whether the student's teacher—
  - has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
  - is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived; and
  - is teaching in the field of discipline of the certification of the teacher.
2. Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals, and if so, their qualifications.

#### In The Classroom:

The teachers of Smiley Elementary will work with students and families to promote success in the education of students. Some of our connections are as follows:

- Having class websites with helpful links to assist parents/families in the participation of their child's learning.
- Sending newsletters and updating folders to keep parents/families informed on classroom happenings.
- Being available to meet with parents and assist in understanding the content their child is learning.

#### At Home:

The parents/families of Smiley Elementary will work with our children at home to help support the learning process. Some of the ways we can help are as follows:

- Checking our child's folder daily. Read, respond, and/ or sign papers then return them promptly.
- Read to my child, and discuss what they are reading.
- Attend curriculum events offered during the school year.
- Communicate with the school when I have a concern.

*"Where Children take flight*



*And Soar to new Heights"*

#### Smiley Elementary Students:

Students of Smiley Elementary School have voiced ideas on how they can work together with their teachers, parents, and families to become successful students. Students felt the following things would help make connections between learning at home and at school:

- Requesting our parents go online to visit our school website, and school Facebook page to get updated information as to what we are doing and upcoming events.
- Reading AR books daily to parents or other family members, and discussing what we read.
- Encourage parents to sign up for any class communication apps (Remind, Dojo etc.) so that parents/families will receive updated information and stay informed of projects, assignments and various other activities going on throughout the school.
- Talk about new vocabulary words and play games that will reinforce learning in all subjects.