

What is a School-Parent Compact?

Our School-Parent Compact is a written agreement between parents, students and teachers which explains what families and schools will do to assist children reach grade-level standards.

Effective School-Parent Compacts:

- ◆ Link goals to the Continuous Improvement Plan
- ◆ Focus on student learning skills
- ◆ Describe how teachers help students develop skills using high-quality instruction
- ◆ Share strategies parents can use at home
- ◆ Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe and participate in the classroom
- ◆ Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress

Developing the Compact

The parents, students and staff at Howard High School developed this School-Parent Compact for Academic Achievement. Teachers suggested learning strategies, parents gave input into what was helpful to them, and students contribute ideas which assist them to be better learners. Meetings are held in the spring to review the compact and to make changes based on student needs. To contribute to the development of the compact, please contact:

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Building Partnerships

The following actions will be taken to promote partnerships:

- HHS POP (Promoting Our Pupils) Digital Newsletter
- Social Media Platforms
- Remind App
- Open House
- Curriculum Nights
- Parent Nights
- School Council

Communication with Parents about Student Learning

Howard High School is focused on keeping parents informed by having two-way communication between the school and parents.

- Posting course syllabuses.
- Assignments and grades are posted in Parent Portal.
- Pertinent information is available on the school website, social media platforms and in the Remind app
- The POP newsletter is published and emailed weekly.
- Additional information is available about classes on teachers' web pages.
- Contact your child's teacher by Remind app or e-mail. E-mail addresses are on the school website at <https://howardhs.bcsdk12.net>.

School-Parent Compact 2022-2023

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Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

All students will reach high standards at a minimum attaining proficiency:

- Increase the percent of students achieving a Lexile measure at the targeted grade levels (3rd,5th, 8th, HS American Lit) to 55% as measured by the Georgia Milestones assessment scores.
- Decrease the percent of students absent from school 6 or more days from 48.4% to 30%.

School Goals

- Increase Lexile scores by 5% as measured by STAR 360.
- Increase percent of students scoring at the proficient level or above by 5% on American Literature and Algebra I EOC assessments for the 2022-2023 school year.
- Improve graduation rate by 3%.

Focus Areas

Reading:

- Students read materials appropriate to skill level and cite textual evidence to demonstrate understanding.
- Literacy strategies are employed in all academic classes to increase student reading comprehension.

Algebra:

- Recall math facts quickly.
- Create equations that describe linear, quadratic and exponential relationships between quantities.
- Represent equations and inequalities graphically.

Mutual Promises that Lead to Student Success

Howard High School staff will ...

- Conduct curriculum workshops throughout the year.
- Post a syllabus for each course.
- Use POP (electronic newsletter), Remind App, social media platforms as a communication tool for parents.
- Post assignments and due dates on Parent Portal.
- Provide during the school day tutoring and enrichment (PACK time) along with resources to use at home (links to websites, worksheets, etc.)
- Post grades on Parent Portal weekly.
- Provide parent nights to share what students are learning by grade level.

As a parent I will ...

- Attend curriculum workshops.
- Encourage my child to use syllabus for each course.
- Use the electronic newsletter, the Remind app, and social media platforms to stay informed about workshops and events.
- Review the Parent Portal to stay abreast of my child's assignments.
- Use the tutoring service for my child.
- Use Parent Portal to monitor my child's academic progress.
- Attend parent nights.

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As a student I will ...

- Attend curriculum workshops with my family.
- Use the syllabus for each course.
- Use POP to stay informed about upcoming events and offerings.
- Check my assignments and due dates on student portal.
- Attend tutoring sessions for classes in which I am falling behind.
- Meet with my teachers and/or counselor for assistance with monitoring my grades.

The Availability of the School-Parent Compact

The School-Parent Compact is posted on the school website and copies will be available at the front desk, Guidance Office and Media Center.

Parent Resource Area

Our Parent Resource Center is open Monday-Friday from 8 AM to 2 PM. This area is located in the Counseling Suite for families to pick up helpful information.

Social Media Resources

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/howardhshuskies>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/howardhshuskies/>

Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/howardhshuskies/>