

Worth County Middle School
School – Parent Compact



2017-2018

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The purpose of Worth County Middle School is to ensure a quality education for all students leading to graduation and productive citizenship.

WORTH COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL IS A TITLE I SCHOOLWIDE SCHOOL



School-Parent Compact

Worth County Middle School 2017-2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Worth County 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 highest standards. **This document can be translated into a language you can understand upon request.**

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

Worth County District Goals:

- The Worth County School District will increase student achievement in writing across all subgroups.
- The Worth County School District will increase student achievement in mathematics across all subgroups and grade levels.

Worth County Middle School Goals:

- Increase the percentage of teachers using differentiated instruction as observed in walkthroughs, evaluations and Focus Walks
- Increase the use of technology used in instruction as observed in classroom observations and student products
- More effective use of data to target students in need of extra assistance
- Increase parental involvement

To help your child meet the district and school goals, the school, you, and your child will work together to:

School Responsibilities:

Worth County 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 academic achievement standards by:**
 - Striving to provide highly qualified teachers in each core academic subject.
 - Offering multiple opportunities for students to receive additional instruction through, before and after school programs.

- Providing students with feedback to promote learning.
- Providing students with needed support classes.
- Providing students with an environment conducive to learning.
- Keeping school website updated with current information and resources.
- Publish monthly parent newsletters with upcoming events, dates, and times.

2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.

- Fall Parent / Teacher Conference – October 24, 2017
- Spring Parent / Teacher Conference – March 29, 2018
- Staff will be available for Parent Conferences throughout the school year. Parents can schedule appointments to meet with teachers by calling the school at 229-776-8620.

3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their child's progress.

- Record student grades in Infinite Campus in a timely manner. Update grades at least once a week.
- Issue progress reports every 3 weeks in each (9) week grading period: August 21, 2017, September 12, 2017, October 31, 2017, November 14, 2017, January 25, 2018, February 15, 2018, April 12, 2018
- Report cards issued at the end of each (9) week grading period: October 17, 2017, January 9, 2018 and March 20, 2018

4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff.

Worth County Middle School will be accessible by:

- Providing parents with the school email addresses of their child's teachers, administrators, and school counselors. (Available on school website and upon parent request)
- Being available for scheduled phone conferences.
- Honoring parent request for parent – teacher conference when the need arises.
- Honoring parent request for appointment with school counselors.
- Honoring parent request for appointment with administrators.

5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class and to observe classroom activities as follows:

- Offering an open – door policy in which parents are welcome to visit our school. Provided, appropriate sign – in procedures are followed.
- Provide parents the opportunity to participate in Parent Organizations / School Council.
- Provide parents the opportunity to participate in PTO and school functions.

Parent Responsibilities:

I / We, as (a) parent (s) or guardian (s), will:

- Promote a positive relationship between home and school.
- Emphasize the importance of a student's education.
- Sign up for Parent Portal and monitor my child's grades and attendance on a regular basis.
- Communicate with teachers concerning my child's academic progress.
- Ensure my child has all needed supplies to participate in class.
- Monitor my child's extracurricular activities to make sure they are not interfering with his/her school work.
- Hold my child accountable for his/her actions, studies, and choices.
- Look for progress reports every 3 weeks in each (9) week grading period and contact teachers with any questions or concerns.
- Meet with teachers and administrators if I have concerns regarding my child's progress.
- Provide a designated area and time at home for my child to focus on his/her school work.
- Provide positive reinforcements to my child for academic success and negative consequences when he/she does not work to the best of his/her ability.
- Incorporate lessons they are learning at school with activities at home.
- Make sure my child gets plenty of rest and sleep.

Student Responsibilities

I, as a student of Worth County Middle school will:

- Attend school every day unless I'm sick.
- Get plenty of rest and sleep.
- Come to class on time and prepared.
- Actively and appropriately participate in all classroom instruction, discussions, and activities.
- Stay focused.
- Abide by school and classroom rules.
- Respect myself and my peers attending classes with me.
- Ask for help if needed.
- Take advantage of Ramp Up and After School Program if needed.
- Complete classwork and homework assignments.
- Study for upcoming tests.
- Focus more on my studies than my extracurricular activities.
- Refrain from discipline and referrals.

Please review this School – Parent Compact with your child. This Compact will be discussed with you throughout the year at different times as it relates to the academic achievement of your child. Together we can help your child to succeed in school.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT 2017-2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,
Worth County Middle School students participating in the Title I, Part A program and their families, agree that this this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State’s high standards. Please review the attached school-parent compact.

Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have read, received, and agree to this school-parent compact. Once signed, please return the acknowledgement page **ONLY** back to your child’s teacher and keep the school-parent compact as a reminder of your commitment. The school-parent compact will be discussed with you throughout the year at different school-family events as we work together to help your child succeed in school. We look forward to our school-parent partnership!

School Administrator Signature: _____ *Tiffany Sevier*

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Print Name: _____

Revised date: 10/26/17

Parents/Guardians please sign, date, and return by October 31, 2017