

What is a School Parent Compact?

The School-Parent Compact is an agreement that parents, students, school staff and teachers develop together. It explains how parents, students, and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

The North Douglas Elementary School Parent Compact:

- Is aligned to the goals on the School Improvement Plan
- Focuses on student learning skills
- Describes how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Shares strategies parents can use at home
- Explains how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom



Team Effort

North Douglas Elementary School parents, students, staff, and teachers contributed to the development of this Compact. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and students told us what would help them. Meetings are held throughout the year to review the Compact and make changes based on input received. Parents can contribute ideas by contacting:

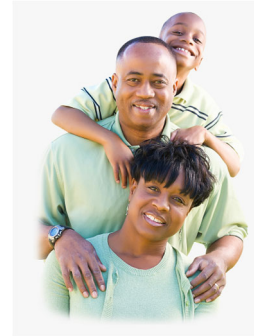
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Parent Resource Center

North Douglas Elementary School provides many opportunities that parents can utilize to help their children succeed. The **Parent Resource Center** (PRC) offers a variety of resources such as educational games, books, workbooks and other materials. Parents may use materials in the center, or they may take advantage of the lending library to check out resources for home use. There are also parent workshops and meetings scheduled throughout the year that include topics such as reading comprehension, math strategies, S.T.E.M. activities, and test taking skills.



Communication about Student Learning

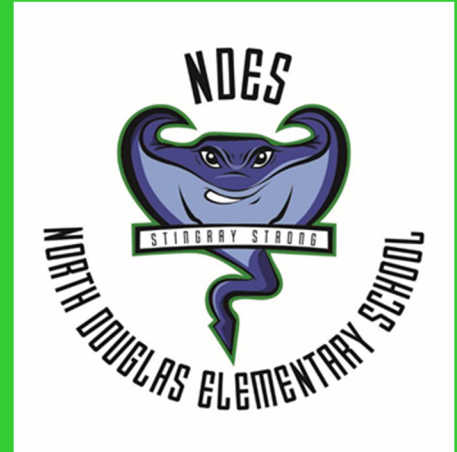
North Douglas Elementary School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you include the following:

- Communication folders "Stingray Express" will be sent home weekly with additional school information.
- Teachers will utilize Remind as a communication tool.
- Parent-teacher conferences will be held twice per school year.
- Progress reports and report cards will be issued quarterly.
- Updates will be posted on the school and district websites as well as calling post from the Principal.

DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT 2023-2024

Fifth Grade Focus For Student Success



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Our Goals for Student Achievement

Douglas County School System

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North Douglas Elementary School Goals

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- Increase ability to explain mathematical processes through written & verbal communication
 - ⇒ Problem solving and word problems
- Increase ability to explain scientific process through the use of the 5-E model through verbal and written process
- Increase Lexile scores across the board as defined by the Georgia Milestones Assessment System “Stretch “ Text Measures
 - ⇒ Reading comprehension in both fiction and non-fiction.



A copy of the School Improvement Plan is available for review on the school website and a paper copy is available upon request.

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

At North Douglas Elementary, parents are encouraged to volunteer and participate in their child’s classroom. We do request that you schedule these visits with the teacher at least 24 hours ahead by calling or making a written request to volunteer or observe in the classroom.

TEACHERS, PARENTS, STUDENTS TOGETHER FOR SUCCESS

IN OUR FIFTH GRADE CLASSROOM

The fifth grade teachers will work with students and their families to support students’ success in reading and math. We will work with students and families in the following ways:

- Establish and track individual student Lexile levels throughout the year.
- Provide families with open ended questions to assist their child in creating effective summaries of reading and math concepts.
- Provide strategies and resources (website, flash cards, games, fact lists, etc.) to help students develop fluency of multiplication and division facts.
- Provide students with resources for vocabulary development for each unit of study.
- Utilize Remind and Agendas as a communication tool between school and parents.
- Offer events and *access* to our Parent Resource Center that address content related to math, reading, social studies, and science throughout the year.

AT HOME

North Douglas Elementary School parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students’ success in reading and math. Some of our key at-home activities will be:

- Ensure my child reads at least 20 minutes nightly on their Lexile level and follow up with open ended questions to assist my child with summarizing reading material.
- Parent can track Lexile levels of books using <http://lexile.com/about-lexile/how-to-get-lexile-measures/>
- Utilize the resources and strategies provided to assist my child with mastering multiplication and division fact fluency and ask open ended questions about math concepts.
- Utilize the resources provided to assist my child with mastering content vocabulary for each unit of study.
- Check Class Dojo and Agenda daily, and use them as forms of communication between home and school.
- Try to take advantage of resources that are offered or get information from the Parent Resource Center if unable to attend offered events.

NORTH DOUGLAS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

North Douglas Elementary School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in reading and math. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Read at least 20 minutes nightly on Lexile level and provide a written and/or verbal summary of material read.
- Use resources provided to practice and master multiplication and division fact fluency and provide complete summaries of math concepts learned.
- Create a product that demonstrates mastery of content level vocabulary for selected units of study (i.e. crossword puzzles, vocabulary flip book, flash cards, projects, etc.).
- Bring home communication about events and resources in addition to any other school activities that enhance learning.

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CHILD’S PROGRESS?

It is our goal to provide reasonable access to school staff. All teachers have a phone number and an email address. Access both the phone number and email address on our school website at <https://ndes.dcssga.org>. Please call the school at (770) 651- 4800 for more information.