

Salk Elementary School & Parent Compact

The Merrillville Community School Corporation and the parents of the Salk students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, part A for *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* (participating children), agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will work together to improve student academic achievement. It is also understood that this compact indicates how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

This school parent compact is in effect during school year 2015-16.

School Responsibilities

1. Provide high quality curriculum and focused instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables Title I students to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:

- The school will provide small group instruction of Indiana Academic Standards that focuses on the five areas of reading: phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension.

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

- The school will hold conferences on November 18th, as scheduled by the classroom teacher. **Title I Reading Specialists will be available on this day to clarify what areas students struggle with and how to best work to improve these skills.**

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

- The Title I Progress Report specifying what areas need to be addressed will be distributed at the end of each semester.

4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff

- Teachers are available to meet with parents either before or after school and during the school day by appointment. Frequent contact via email at sfalls@mjsc.k12.in.us and phone 650-5304 (Ext. 6418) is encouraged.

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

- Parents are encouraged to attend events scheduled during the school day and may volunteer and participate as described in the Merrillville Community School Corporation Elementary Handbook.

Suggested Parent Involvement

We, as parents, will support our child's learning in the following ways:

1. Ensure students arrive at school on time and encourage good attendance
2. Review notes and information that my child brings home and make sure that homework is completed
4. Attend events hosted by the school as a way to participate in decisions relating to my child's education
5. Promote positive use of my child's extracurricular time by monitoring the amount of television my child watches

Suggestions for the Student

1. Do my homework everyday and ask for help when needed
2. Read at least 10-40 minutes everyday outside of school time
3. Give my parents, or guardian, all notes, information and tests that I receive
4. Work hard and cooperate with teachers while in school

Signatures

Mrs. Kathy Sapyta, Principal

Mrs. Sandy Falls, Title I Teacher

Date

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