



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Fitzpatrick School-Parent Compact

School Year 2022-2023

Revision Date:

05/12/22

Dear Parent/Guardian,

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The FitzPatrick School, and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards. Parents were given input into the development of the parent and family engagement policy and this school parent compact at a parent input meeting that was held on May 12, 2022

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

The Board of Education's updated Goals and Guardrails are available on the School District Website at www.philasd.org.

Fitzpatrick GOALS

At least 70% of Kindergarten students and 50% of 1st and 2nd grade students will score at target by the Spring AIMSWEB assessment.

No more than 25% of 3rd grade students and 20% of grades 6-8 will score basic or below basic on the PSSA-ELA assessment.

No more than 25% of 3rd grade students and 20% of grades 6-8 will score below basic on the Math PSSA assessment.

At least 50% of students will attend 95 days or more.

Increase the number of teachers who provide turn around training to staff by 20%.

At least 60% of Kindergarten students and 75% of 1st and 2nd grade students will make at least one year's worth of growth, as evidenced by their independent reading level from Q1 to Q4.

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

SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

Fitzpatrick will:

Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards. FitzPatrick School teaches to the Common Core State Standards. Teachers participate in ongoing Professional Development throughout the school year as well as during the summer months. Teachers differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all students.

Hold parent-teacher conferences. Parent Teacher conferences are held 3 times a year at the issuing of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd report cards. Teachers are available for conferences with parents any time during the year at the request of the teacher or parent.

Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Interim reports are sent home 4 times a year. Teachers also make phone calls and have meeting with parents when the teacher or parent deem it necessary.

Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Staff are available to parents at Back to school Night as well as at Report Card Conferences. Staff are also always available at the request of a parent.

Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities. FitzPatrick has an open door policy. Parents are welcome at monthly Home & School/SAC meetings. Parents are invited to chaperone field trips and attend special school and classroom events throughout the year. Parents are also welcome to help out or observe in their child's classroom upon request of the teacher or parent.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We, as parents, will:

*Monitoring student attendance.
Monitoring my child's homework.
Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education.
Staying informed about my child's education by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district, either received by my child or by mail, and responding as appropriate.
Participating in Home & School/SAC meetings to the extent possible.
Encourage students to show respect for all students and staff.*

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

*Do my homework every night.
Ask for help when I need it.
Read thirty minutes daily outside of school
Give to my parent or guardian all papers/messages sent home by the school.
Attend school every day, on time.
Come to school/set up a virtual station at home and be ready to learn.
Show respect to self and others.*

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

Fitzpatrick is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

School newsletters to parents
Parent Portal to keep you up to date on school events
Google Classroom and school website
Teacher websites or other web-based communication resource
Parent Teacher conferences held throughout the year
Weekly folders
Emails to parents on student's progress
Text messaging
Phone calls and Robo-calls

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

Fitzpatrick offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- Monthly School Advisory Council Meetings*
- *Parent-Teacher Conferences – November, February, and April*
 - *Literacy Night – Winter 2022*
 - *Volunteering / Observing / Field Trips – throughout the year*
 - *Back to School Night – Fall 2022*