



WHAT IS A SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT?

A School-Parent Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students, and teachers develop collaboratively. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to ensure all students reach grade-level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- ✓ Link to goals of the School Improvement Plan
- ✓ Focus on student learning skills
- ✓ Share strategies parents can use at home
- ✓ Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress



HOW PARTNERSHIPS ARE BUILT

At Tate Elementary we believe when our school and families work together, our students benefit. We do this by offering numerous opportunities for families to participate in workshops, activities, and family nights. Please check your Tate School Calendar, Facebook Page, and school website for dates and times. Reminders will also be sent home with students.



JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The parents, students, and staff of Tate Elementary School developed this School-Parent Compact for Student Achievement. Teachers suggested strategies parents could use at home, parents added ideas to make learning more practical, and students expressed how they learn best. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on students' needs.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

Parent Involvement Coordinator and Student Services, 706-253-1700



COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING

Tate Elementary School is committed to two-way communication with families about their students' learning and progress. Some of the ways you can expect to hear from us are:

- Weekly newsletters and folders (K-3)
- Monthly newsletters and folders (4-5)
- Event information on school website and social media
- Teacher web pages that include lesson plans
- Phone calls, email blasts, and notes home
- Attendance and academic information via Infinite Campus
- Progress reports and report cards



Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by phone 706-253-1860 or by email. E-mail addresses are on the school website @ <http://tateele.pickens.k12.ga.us>.

PICKENS COUNTY SCHOOLS



GRADUATION AND LIFE PREPARATION FOR ALL!

2016-17 District Goals

The Board of Education sets goals for the entire district. The district goal for 2016-2017 is to raise student achievement as reflected in a 3% increase in CCRPI scores.

2016-17 TES Goals

Tate Elementary School's Improvement Team, teachers, and administrators have studied the data to determine the most important areas of improvement for our school.

- ✓ Math – To increase math proficiency by 5% over the next three years, our school will concentrate on the following areas:
 - Number identification in Grade K
 - Math computation and general number sense/problem solving skills in grades 1-5
 - Measurement and data in grades 3-5
- ✓ ELA – To increase ELA proficiency by 5% over the next three years, our school will concentrate on the following areas:
 - Oral reading/fluency with a focus on increasing student Lexile scores in grades 1-5
 - Reading for information and using appropriate grammar in sentence construction in grade 3
 - Information and media literacy, research and writing in grades 4-5
 - Continue to implement writing process strategies to improve content area literacy in grades K-5

Our Commitment to Parent Involvement

Tate Elementary School is committed to parent involvement and will do the following to help ensure the academic achievement of our students:

- Welcome all families
- Communicate effectively
- Support students' success
- Advocate for each child
- Partner with parents
- Collaborate with our community

PARENTS – STUDENTS – TEACHERS WORKING TOGETHER FOR SUCCESS**In the Classroom**

The staff at Tate Elementary will work with students and their families to support students' success with their classroom performance and on state assessments. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Invite parents and students to enjoy STEM Night and Curriculum Night and give ideas for making this type of learning fun at school and home
- Our class web pages include links to family and student friendly websites that provide resources for additional practice aligned to grade-level standards that reinforce learning in the classroom
- Use our class newsletters, county and school websites, and agendas as a consistent means of communication from school-to-home with resources and ideas on how to increase student achievement

At Home

Tate Elementary School parents joined staff members to develop ideas about how families can provide support for students' success in the classroom and on state assessments. Families may have other ideas to add to the list:

- Read to and with your child each day
- Hold students accountable at home by checking grades and using teacher and student feedback to provide additional support as needed
- Check backpacks and folders daily to review and correct graded work
- Check teacher and school webpages regularly for website links that offer support for learning
- Make sure your child is at school on time and present each day
- Check for homework and review with students

Tate Elementary Students

Students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how students can succeed in school and reach for the stars to achieve proficiency on all grade-level academic standards and the Georgia Milestone Assessment. Students suggested the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Teach your parents what you learn in school each day
- Read nightly
- Show your parents your folder and agenda each night
- Study math facts
- Give a test to me at home so I can see what I know and what I need to learn
- Play learning games and check websites for study guide to help me study
- Make my own homework about what I am studying in class
- Have a study buddy to study with even if it is over the phone