

Ivy Preparatory Academy

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2016-2017 School Parent Compact

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Ivy Preparatory Academy at Gwinnett, scholars participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families agree that this compact outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and the 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 academic achievement standards.

To understand how working together can benefit your scholar, it is first important to understand our district's goals for student academic achievement.

Ivy Preparatory Academy Goals:

Provide scholars with a balanced program that stimulates intellectual curiosity, requires scholars to demonstrate they have learned, how to learn, and leads scholars to develop into productive and responsible citizens

The percentage of scholars who meet or exceed state standards on each content area of the Georgia Milestones Assessment will be greater than the State or Local District average, whichever is higher, by at least 5% in all subjects in all grade levels.

Ivy Preparatory Academy at Gwinnett Goals:

In order to create a full partnership with each scholar's family, we will:

- *Promote open lines of communication between the system, school and the home;*
- *Strive to meet the changing needs of all families in support of their scholar's academic success;*
- *Provide opportunities for parents to be involved in decision-making regarding their child's academic success.*

Ivy Preparatory Academy at Gwinnett Focus Areas:

All scholars will reach high standards, at a minimum attaining proficiency or better in mathematics and reading comprehension on the state assessments.

Focus Area 1: Mathematics Application

To increase the percentage of scholars performing in the Proficient and Distinguished Learner from 18.2% to 30% in Mathematics

Focus Area 2: Reading Comprehension

To increase the percentage of scholars performing in the Proficient and Distinguished Learner from 47% to 55% in Reading

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

School Responsibilities:

Ivy Preparatory Academy at Gwinnett will:

- 1. Provide high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating scholars to meet the State's student academic standards by:**
 - Creating high quality, engaging learning experiences that align with the CCGPS (CCGPS)
 - Providing parents with instructional guides that explain the curriculum taught, along with tips and websites that parents may use with their scholar
 - Providing targeted instruction to meet the needs of individual students based on collected data.
 - Providing a safe and orderly environment that is conducive to learning
 - Provide an individualized educational plan for every scholar

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

A Parent Academies (orientation) will be held at the beginning of the school year. During this time, School-Parent Compacts will be presented to parents. These compacts will be used to communicate school level goals and expectations for all shareholders. Opportunities for parent conferences throughout the year will also be discussed.

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

- Quarterly report cards
- Progress reports at the mid-point of each quarter
- Benchmark data provided throughout the year
- Parent Portal System, www.ivypowerschool.org available at all times
- Daily homework/communication with necessary notes/information

4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff.

Administrators and teachers may be contacted by email, as well as ClassDojo at any time, or an appointment can be made by calling the school at 770-342-0089. E-mail addresses will be given to parents during orientations, and may also be found on the Ivy Preparatory Academy at Gwinnett website, www.ivyprepacademy.org

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

Parents are always welcome to volunteer at the school. Chiara Richardson, the Parent Involvement Coordinator, will assist parents in arranging visits. She can be contacted via email, crichardson@ivyprepacademy.org or by phone, 770-342-0089.

Parent Responsibilities:

We, as parents, will:

- *Assist my child with the learning materials that are sent home, and provided the teacher with feedback to support learning.*
- *Check the school website and ClassDojo to use those links and resources.*
- *Attend the parent workshops and parent teacher conferences to gain a insight on the practices to use at home in preparing my scholar for success.*
- *Use the activities provided by the school to help my scholar develop study habits to retain information learned in class*

Scholar's Responsibilities:

As a scholar, I will:

- *Show respect for myself, my teachers, and my classmates*
- *Challenge myself to increase my learning and achievement*
- *Attend school every day, on time/no early checkouts*
- *Let my parents or teachers know if I need help, attend tutoring if needed*

Please review the school-parent compact with your child. This 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.

Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have read, received, and agree to this school-parent compact. Once signed, please return the form to your child's teacher. We look forward to our school-partnership!

School Representative Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

