VCMS – School-Parent Compact

What is a School – Parent Compact?

A *School-Parent Compact* is an agreement that parents and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach or exceed grade-level standards.

The *School-Parent Compact* is reviewed annually by the VCMS Governance Council. The Governance Council meets periodically throughout the school year, and welcomes parents and community members to attend.

Building Partnerships and Communicating about Student Learning:

The attached *Teacher-Parent-Student Involvement Guidelines* provide ways that you can be part of the VCMS community. It includes resources to monitor student progress and resources which outline school expectations. If you have any questions about VCMS or would like to arrange a team meeting or home visit contact our School Guidance Department at (860) 870-6072. Visit the VCMS school website regularly at www.vernonpublicschools.org to keep up-to-date on current events.

Our District Goals for Student Achievement

Goals and Objectives:

BOE Goal 1: Build and improve relationships and partnerships with family and community

Objective:

- Increase positive ongoing communication between school and family and community
- Develop and implement strategies to further engage parents and community members as partners in education

BOE Goal 2: Increase the achievement of every student through high quality curriculum, instruction and assessment

Objective:

- Students in grades 1, 3, 5, 8, and 10 will be reading at or above grade level
- Students in grades 1, 3, 5, 8, and 10 will be performing at or above grade level in mathematics
- Students in all grades will be proficient writers
- Students will be college and career ready upon graduation

BOE Goal 3: Promote safe environments that are socially, emotionally, and physically conducive to learning

Objective:

- Ensure that all students are safe and supported in their learning at school

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Teachers, Families/Parents, and Students – Together for Success

(Involvement Guidelines)

Families/Parents will support learning at home by:

- checking plan books regularly.
- talking to their child about their daily school experience.
- providing a quiet place for students to do their school work.
- making sure homework/school work is completed and turned in.
- helping their child learn from their mistakes.

Families/Parents will actively participate in their student's education by:

- encouraging their child to always submit quality work.
- taking responsibility for their child's attendance and punctuality.
- monitoring their child's progress (review daily work/report cards/Aspen).
- contacting VCMS with any questions regarding their child's progress.
- volunteering at VCMS.

Students will assume responsibility for their behavior and their learning by following all SOAR core values including:

- going to school daily, and being on time.
- taking pride in their work and completing all assignments to the best of their ability.
- actively participating in classroom lessons and asking questions when they don't understand something.
- keeping their binders and plan book neat and organized.
- being respectful and responsible at all times.

VCMS staff will demonstrate:

- a commitment to student achievement.
- a willingness to work in collaboration with colleagues and families to meet the diverse learning needs of all students.
- a commitment to analyze their teaching and grow professionally.
- the implementation of foundational skills and competencies outlined in the Common Core of Teaching.