

2014-2015 Glen Haven Elementary School - Parent Compact

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Shared Responsibilities for:	School Staff	Parent	Student
High quality curriculum and instruction	<p>As a school, we expect all students to meet or exceed the MCPS grade level standards and the Maryland Voluntary State Curriculum (VSC). We will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> review assessment results to determine strengths and needs of students <input type="checkbox"/> use the MCPS curriculum to plan instruction that will improve students' academic performance <input type="checkbox"/> give students timely feedback and opportunities to show what they know 	<p>As a parent, I will support education and believe that my child can reach high goals. I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> talk to my child about what is happening in school and about the importance of working hard in school <input type="checkbox"/> make sure my child goes to school every day on time <input type="checkbox"/> make sure my child does homework and schoolwork regularly 	<p>As a student, I will do my best and work hard. I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> come to school on time prepared to learn <input type="checkbox"/> pay attention in class and ask questions when I don't understand <input type="checkbox"/> complete all of my assignments <input type="checkbox"/> follow the rules of the school
Parent-teacher conferences	<p>As a school, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> hold at least one parent-teacher conference annually <input type="checkbox"/> assist parents in learning about ways they can help their children with homework and learning 	<p>As a parent, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> attend meetings about what my child is learning <input type="checkbox"/> ask questions about how I can help my child at home 	<p>As a student, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> know what is expected of me in all of my subjects <input type="checkbox"/> talk to my family about things I am learning in school
Communication/frequent progress reports	<p>As a school, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> communicate with families about high academic standards, student progress and the school's overall performance <input type="checkbox"/> communicate with families in a language that they can understand, when possible <input type="checkbox"/> communicate with parents and students about academic progress and behavior through interims, report cards and parent-teacher conferences <input type="checkbox"/> provide frequent communication through announcements, newsletters, and the school website to keep families informed of upcoming events 	<p>As a parent, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> attend Back-to-School events, parent-teacher conferences and other school-sponsored programs <input type="checkbox"/> communicate any concerns about my child's learning <input type="checkbox"/> tell the teacher or school when I do not understand something that is sent home 	<p>As a student, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> talk to my family about things I like about school <input type="checkbox"/> ask my teacher for help when I have problems with my schoolwork/homework <input type="checkbox"/> share all schoolwork and notices with my family

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Accessibility	<p>As a school, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> provide reasonable access to the school staff <input type="checkbox"/> make the school a friendly place for parents to meet, talk, and learn about their child's education 	<p>As a parent, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> attend PTA meetings, parent trainings, and other special activities <input type="checkbox"/> ensure that the school will be able to reach me at any time 	<p>As a student, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> help other students <input type="checkbox"/> respect all students and adults
Opportunities to be involved/volunteer	<p>As a school, we will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> encourage all families to volunteer and be involved in the school <input type="checkbox"/> provide parents with opportunities to give input about the school climate and instructional program through the School Improvement Team, the Parent Involvement Committee and school surveys <input type="checkbox"/> encourage parents to participate in their child's education through PTA events, Curriculum Nights, conferences, and volunteering 	<p>As a parent, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> volunteer for at least one activity during the school year (helping in the classroom, supporting special activities at school, chaperoning a field trip) <input type="checkbox"/> join school committees, such as the Parent Involvement Committee or the School Improvement Team 	<p>As a student, I will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> get involved in projects that will help my school and community

In this compact, "parent" is intended to include parents, guardians, and other family members involved in supervising the child's schooling.

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