

Dear SHS Family,

Swainsboro High School, students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

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

Swainsboro High School Goals:

SHS administrators, teachers, and other stakeholders have studied our student performance data and have established the following measurable goals:

The percent of students achieving at developing (weighted .5), proficient (weighted 1.) and distinguished (weighted 1.5) levels on the 2015 End-of-Course Tests will increase as follows:

- Ninth Grade Literature and Composition will increase from 36.23 to 60%.
- American Literature End of Course will increase from 43.22 to 59%.
- Biology will increase from 35.15% to 55%.
- Physical Science will increase from 50.72% to 61%.
- Algebra/Coordinate Algebra/will increase from 40.06 to 55%.
- Analytical Geometry/Mathematics II will increase from 43.97 to 55%.
- US History increase from 50.72 to 61%.
- Economics will increase from 60.48 to 66%.
- Participation rate on all End of Course Tests will continue to be \geq 95%.

In addition, the 4-year co-hort graduation rate will increase from 81% to exceed the 2015 state average.

Please review this 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 the attached sheet 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-parent-student partnership!

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School-Parent- Student Compact For Achievement 2015-2016



Swainsboro High School's mission is to graduate all SHS students with a meaningful diploma based on rigorous standards which ensures college and career readiness delivered by highly-qualified educators.

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

School Responsibilities:

1. **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 by:**
 - Provide parents with information sessions and materials via PTO and guidance department events explaining what students are learning in each academic area as well as available resources and tools that can be used at home to help the student master the standards.
 - Host six PTO (family engagement events) throughout the school year highlighting academic areas and extra-curricular opportunities in addition to providing parents with resources on how to help their student become college and career ready.
 - Provide review and remediation opportunities for students not meeting the standards in the English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies and provide additional resources in those areas.
 - Offer after-school credit recovery opportunities three times per week, for a nominal fee, to assist students in recovering credits in order to graduate on time.
 - Provide students and parents with information on how to access the Georgia Online Assessment System (OAS) that allows students to take practice EOCT quizzes. Practices quizzes may be taken at home or at school.
 - Recognize student academic, extra and co-curricular achievements by hosting academic, extra and co-curricular awards nights.
 - Provide quarterly rewards to students that are working to foster a positive learning environment.
2. **Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.**
 - Provide parents opportunity to meet with teachers and school staff during throughout the year through academic, extra and co-curricular events. Additionally, parents may call or email the school to schedule appointments.
3. **Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.**
 - Parents will receive progress reports every 4 ½ weeks.
 - Parents with internet access at home are also encouraged to sign up for Parent Portal, a student information system that tracks student grades, assignments and attendance. Parents that do not have internet access at home can contact the school for updates, if necessary.
4. **Provide parents reasonable access to staff.**
 - Parents may call the school, email, or stop by the front office at any time to schedule a conference with faculty and staff. Additionally, parents can submit questions or concerns to school staff & faculty by email, phone and written correspondence. Conferences typically occur at the school but home visits are available if necessary.
5. **Provide parents opportunities to observe and volunteer in classroom activities as follows:**
 - Parents are welcome to observe classroom activities or volunteer at Swainsboro High School by contacting the school to make arrangements.
 - Parents are encouraged to participate in decision-making by providing input on parental involvement plans, school-improvement plans, and expenditures; and by participating in school committees.

Parent Responsibilities:

1. Have high expectations for my child as an individual.
2. Make sure that my child gets enough sleep nightly.
3. Make sure that my child arrives at school on time.
4. Encourage my child to read at least 15 minutes per day.
5. Establish a time for homework and review regularly.
6. Insist that all homework assignments are completed.
7. Communicate regularly with my child's teachers.
8. Show respect and support for my child, the teacher, and the school.
9. Be involved in school activities.
10. Attend school events and parent conferences.

Student Responsibilities:

1. Show respect and support for myself, my parents, my teachers, and my school.
2. Utilize the resources provided to help me in all of my classes.
2. Talk to my family about what I am learning in school and practice the skills learned in language arts, math, science, social studies, and elective classes.
3. Stay after school for tutoring when necessary to improve my skills.
4. Take OAS tests to practice for the Milestone end-of-course tests and attend school events with my family.