

# James R. Tate Elementary School

## School-Parent Compact

### SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

James R. Tate Elementary School and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) agree this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve Arkansas's high standards. *This school-parent compact is in effect during the 2020-2021 school year.*

### SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES

*James R. Tate Elementary School will:*

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet Arkansas's student academic achievement standards as follows:

#### **Van Buren Instructional Model**

- Content- Learners construct or build knowledge through processes that include conceptual engagement, organizing knowledge and metacognition.
- Process- Explicit Instruction Model: Explain, Model, Guided Practice, Independent Practice, Apply, Create and Share
- Content- Comprehensive Literacy, Standards-Based Math, Inquiry-Based Science

2. Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

October 13<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>                      3:30-6:30 p.m. (school dismissed at 2:00 p.m.)  
March 16<sup>th</sup> and March 18<sup>th</sup>                      3:30-6:30 p.m. (school dismissed at 2:00 p.m.)

3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**

Progress Reports  
End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter- **Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>**  
Report Card Distribution- **TBA**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**

Progress Reports  
End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter- **Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Report Card Distribution- **TBA**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter**

Progress Reports  
End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter- **March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Report Card Distribution **TBA**

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Quarter**

Progress Reports  
End of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter- **May 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Report Card Distribution- **Last Day of school**

4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:

James R. Tate Elementary School believes a successful partnership with parents is the key to student success. Teachers will communicate regularly with parents concerning classroom goals and activities, as well as individual information on student progress. If a situation arises which requires the immediate attention of the student's teacher or principal, parents may call the school to schedule a conference or contact the teacher via email.

1. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child’s class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows (but not limited to):

- Open House
- Literacy Night \*\*
- Report to the Public (to be announced)
- Grandparent’s Day \*\*
- Scholastic Book Fair Online
- Fall Festival \*\*
- Fall Fundraiser – PTA- Online
- Parent/Teacher Conferences (October 13 & 15, 2019 and March 16 & 18, 2021)
- PTA Council Luncheon (quarterly – various locations – to be announced)
- PTA Reflections, Holiday Market, Mother’s Day Store, Valentine’s Delivery Shop\*\*
- Monthly PTA board meetings- Online
- Tiger Pride store (once each quarter)\*\*
- Holiday Market (December), Clothes Closet, Birthday desserts/treats for faculty & staff\*\*
- Dojo (Parent-Teacher communication), Remind & Peachjar (Parent-School communication)
- Fourth grade camp, Stay & Play\*\*
- Tailgate night, Family Night, Fun in the Sun (dates to be announced)\*\*
- Class parties, Teacher recognition \*\*
- Grade level performances (TBA) Posted online
- Rise & Shine (Fridays) Posted online

**\*\*Activities will be online or planned in a manner that will comply with CDC and ADH guidelines. Activities that pose a greater risk will be cancelled as needed.**

**PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES**

**We, as parents, will support our children’s learning in the following ways:**

- Ensure our children attend school regularly by monitoring their attendance.
- Make sure our children are prepared for class by arriving on time and with the appropriate materials.
- Stay in contact with our children’s teachers through regular communication-reading and responding to all notices.
- Support the goals of the school and participate as much as possible in the decision-making processes related to our children’s education.
- Volunteer when needed.

**STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES (Created by James R. Tate 5<sup>th</sup> grade K-Kids and Ambassadors)**

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve Arkansas’s high standards. Specifically, we will:

- **T**ake time to listen, to pay attention, and to participate in class
- **A**lways encourage, be patient, and show respect to others, self, and things.
- **T**ake the right materials, read more and be prepared for class by having assignments completed
- **E**very day try my very best.

*Please sign and return to your child’s teacher*

\_\_\_\_\_ Student Signature  
\_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature  
\_\_\_\_\_ Teacher Signature