

General Louis Wagner Middle School

School-Parent Compact

2019-2020 School Year

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The parents, students, and staff of the **Wagner Middle School** partnered together to develop this school-parent compact for achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added input about the types of support they needed, and students told us what would help them learn. Parents are encouraged to attend annual revision meetings held in the spring each year to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. This year, a parent input meeting was held on April 30, 2020 to solicit parent input into the development of this Compact. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the School Family Engagement survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs, policies and family engagement.

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

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA ANCHOR GOALS:

1. 100% of students will graduate, ready for college and career.
2. 100% of 8-year-olds will read on grade level.
3. 100% of schools will have great principals and teachers.
4. SDP will have 100% of the funding we need for great schools, and zero deficit.

WAGNER MIDDLE SCHOOL'S GOALS:

- At least 60% of students will attend school 95% of days or more.
- No more than 30% of students will score Below Basic on the Math PSSA.
- Increase the number of students will score at Proficient or Advanced on the ELA PSSA.
- At least 75% of students will earn As and Bs in all core courses.
- At least 90% of students will have zero out-of-school suspensions.

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

SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

Wagner Middle School will:

- Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress during Report Card Conferences and Interim Reports. Teachers also provide parents with monthly updates about student's progress via phone contacts.
- Provide parents with reasonable access to staff. Parents are encouraged to communicate with their child's teacher via phone calls, emails, or in person by setting up an appointment in advance.
- Provide parents with opportunities to volunteer at Wagner after prior arrangement with the Principal or Academy Dean.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We, as parents, will:

- Monitor attendance.
- Make sure that homework is completed.
- Volunteer at my child's school.
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child's education.
- Promote positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
- Stay informed about my child's education and communicate by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate
- Serve, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as the School Advisory Committee.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Students will:

- Arrive on time and be prepared to participate in lessons.
- Follow school rules.
- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need it.
- Return completed assignments on time.
- Be a cooperative learner and carry out the teacher's instructions and directions.
- Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.
- Give to my parents or guardian all notices and information received by me from my school every day.

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

Wagner Middle School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Monthly calendars
- Periodic flyers/letters sent home
- Phone calls/robo calls
- School Website
- Parent and Family Portal
- Parent/Teacher conferences
- Scheduled meeting with staff
- Communication Folders
- Monthly School Advisory Council meetings

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

Wagner Middle School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- Back to School Night event
- Monthly School Advisory Council meetings
- Parent/Family workshops
- Fall, Winter, Spring Title I Parental Input Meeting
- Volunteer Orientation and volunteer opportunities
- Parent and Family Resource Rack in the Main Office
- Various school-wide events such as student-led performances, shows, field day, etc