

# PELION HIGH SCHOOL

## 2023 - 2024 Family - School Compact



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### **WHAT IS A FAMILY-SCHOOL COMPACT?**

A Family-School Compact is an agreement that explains how parents, teachers, administrators and students work together to make sure all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade level standards. To maximize academic growth and support school goals, the compact provides expectations for families, students, classrooms and schools.

### **OUR MISSION**

**Pelion High School is committed to fulfilling the vision and mission of Lexington County School District One to empower each child to design the future and cultivate a caring community where ALL learners are extraordinary communicators, collaborators, creators and critical thinkers.**

### **PELION HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC GOALS FOR ACHIEVEMENT**

We believe that if students have the opportunity to engage in real-life learning experiences, they will be prepared for post-secondary career goals and success. Pelion High School, in partnership with our community stakeholders, will develop thoughtful, responsible and productive citizens, who are able to adapt and thrive in an increasingly complex global community. Students will be challenged and engaged through collaboration and authentic learning experience resulting in a higher-level of understanding.

### **ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS**

The school's family liaison will organize activities to foster partnerships by actively working to:

- Provide resources and help sessions on various topics to support student learning.
- Encourage families to be involved in decision-making opportunities.
- Engage families in all aspects of their child's high school journey.
- Collaborate with families and school staff for student success.

### **SCHOOL/HOME COMMUNICATION**

Our school communicates frequently with families regarding student learning. Our school communicates via:

- Newsletter
- Report cards
- Parent/teacher conferences
- Individual Graduation Plans (IGPs)
- Parent Portal
- Parent Square
- Student Square
- Emails
- Phone calls

## **SCHOOL EXPECTATIONS**

- Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive, effective and safe learning environment.
- Progress monitor with formative assessments (part of daily instruction) and summative assessments (end of chapter tests, end of semester tests, projects, lab and state tests) to support each student's yearly in their academics.
- Assist all students in meeting their learning targets by providing academic and behavioral supports.
- Provide families reasonable access to staff through phone calls, voicemail, email, written notes and parent-teacher conferences.
- Align curriculum to State Standards to support a higher level of understanding.
- Provide enrichment through activities that promote student engagement and extended learning.

## **FAMILY EXPECTATIONS**

- Help your child(ren) attend school regularly and arrive on time daily.
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to the education of your child(ren).
- Promote positive use of your children's extra-curricular time at home and in the community.
- Consistently monitor your children's academic progress using Schoology and Parent Portal.
- Contact teachers with questions or concerns.
- Participate in family events and opportunities at the school when possible.

## **CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS**

- Keep families informed of their child(ren)'s progress through Parent Portal, report cards, phone calls and email.
- Schedule conferences at a variety of times to accommodate the needs of families.
- Provide homework that supports content learned at school.
- Design lessons that encourage student engagement, growth and collaboration.
- Provide opportunities for students to determine the different types of deep thinking (analytical, practical, creative and research-based).

## **STUDENT EXPECTATIONS**

- Attend school regularly and on time.
- Come to school prepared (with appropriate materials and a fully charged device).
- Take responsibility for your learning and behavior each day.
- Ask questions if you do not understand.
- Seek assistance when needed.
- Complete and submit all assignments on time.
- Respect other students, adults and property.
- Cooperate, listen and follow directions.
- Take pride in your school.
- Participate in school activities.

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