

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

The staff at G. C. Burkhead feels that a partnership between the school and home is essential in providing the best education for each of our students. In an effort to strengthen this partnership, a school-parent compact has been developed with input from parents and teachers. As our staff commits to this compact, we are asking for each child's parent/guardian to commit to this partnership as well. We ask that you commit to the parent portion of the compact. The compact is sent home each year for the signature of each parent/guardian.

As teachers and staff members of Burkhead, we commit to:

- Encouraging all children;
- Encouraging parents by communicating regularly about progress and activities;
- Providing high quality instruction in a non-threatening environment;
- Providing necessary assistance with homework to parents;
- Being accessible to parents;
- Believing that all students can learn;
- Fostering healthy lifestyle choices;
- Communicating clearly academic and behavioral expectations;
- Challenging children as individuals and working to ensure each child develops to his/her potential;
- Creating an atmosphere of respect within the school;
- Providing a welcome and safe environment; and
- Working with parents to form a partnership for the success of the child.

As parents, we commit to:

- Encouraging our children;
- Seeing that our children attend school and regularly and are on time;
- Supporting our children in assignments;
- Supporting and showing interest in our children's school activities;
- Limiting television viewing and video games;
- Keeping communication open with teachers and the school;
- Reading with our children daily;
- Reviewing homework and activities daily;
- Creating an atmosphere at home that fosters respect for school and the staff and students at school;
- Providing our children with a healthy, safe, and nurturing home environment; and
- Working with the school staff to form a partnership for the success of our children.