What is a School-Parent Compact?

Our annual school-parent compact offers ways that we can work together to help our students succeed. This compact provides strategies to help connect learning at school and at home. This compact will:

- · Link to academic achievement goals.
- Focus on student learning.
- Share strategies that staff, parents, and students can use.
- Explain how parents and teachers can communicate about student progress.
- Describe opportunities for parents to observe, volunteer, and participate in the classroom.

Jointly Developed

This compact was jointly developed by the JHS community (teachers, parents, and students). Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and students told us what would help them learn. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on student needs.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time. Please call or email us if you need assistance with childcare or transportation in order to participate in our programs.

Communication about Student Learning

Johnson High School is committed to frequent ongoing two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways we reach parents and families are: Invitational Letters, School Calendars, Student Agendas, Parent/Teacher Phone Calls, Emails, Parent/Teacher Conferences, Infinite Campus School Messenger, Teacher Canvas Pages, and the School/District web sites.

Any teacher's email is firstname.lastname@hallco.org. A full directory of email addresses is found under the teacher's page on our website jhs.hallco.org.

Activities to Build Partnerships

See JHS website for specific dates/times ihs.hallco.org

School Outreach for All Parents (presentations and all assistance provided in English & Spanish)

- Open House August 1, 2018 4:00-7:00
 - Meet the teachers and school staff, while learning suggestions and strategies to ensure your child's academic success for the upcoming year.
- ✓ Monthly Parent Meetings in JHS Media Center (6pm-8pm)
 - September 20, 2018: Navigating Infinite Campus & Canvas to monitor child's progress and access course materials
 - o October 18, 2018: **Annual Title 1 Meeting** & Being an Active Parent
 - Parents are invited to learn about our Title 1 program, including our parent and family engagement policy, the school improvement plan, and the school-parent compact.
 - November 15, 2018: Building relationships by sharing a Thanksgiving feast
 - o January 17, 2019: Graduation Requirements
 - o February 21, 2019: College Admissions for UNG and Lanier Tech
 - o March 21, 2019: Title 1 Parent & Family Engagement Input Meeting
 - Parents and stakeholders provide input for school improvement plan, parent and family engagement policy, and school-parent compact.
 - o April 25, 2019: Preparing for Testing (EOCs & Final Exams)

School Outreach for Parents of 9th-11th Graders

- ✓ Individual Student Meetings December 2018 to April 2019
 - Counselor meets with student and parents by appointment to discuss academic progress and registration for future courses.
- ✓ Rising 9th Grade Parent Night April 2019
 - Rising 9th graders and their parents tour the school and learn about high school courses and expectations

School Outreach for Parents of 12th Graders

- ✓ Senior Parent Letter- Mailed home June 2018
- ✓ Individual Senior Meetings August to November 2018
 - Graduation coach meets with each senior to discuss graduation requirements and future plans. Parents are welcome to attend with senior.
- ✓ Admission Days for UNG & Lanier Tech
 - o Students complete this in school with graduation coach
 - Parents communicate with seniors about choices and can contact graduation coach with questions prior to admission day
 - $\circ \ \ UNG\text{-}\ October\ 2018\ \&\ March\ 2019$
 - o Lanier Tech- December 2018 & April 2019
- ✓ Financial Aid Nights December 4, 2018 & March 20, 2019
 - $\circ~$ Students and parents are provided laptops and assistance completing FAFSA forms from 4pm-6:30pm in JHS Media Center.
 - Financial aid professionals from local colleges and the Georgia Student Finance Commission join JHS counselors to provide assistance.

Important Contact Information

Graduation Coach (12th grade): <u>Carey.Crawford@hallco.org</u> Counselor 9th-11th Last Names A-L: <u>Rachel.Jarvis@hallco.org</u> Counselor 9th-11th Last Names M-Z: <u>Heather.Roth@hallco.org</u> JHS Student Services 770-536-2394 (select 3 from menu)



School-Parent Compact for Student Achievement 2018-19

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Our Goals for Student Achievement

District goals

- 1. Increase average CCRPI scores at least two points annually at 70% or more of HCSD schools.
- 2. Average CCRPI scores for each level of HCSD schools (e.g., elementary, middle and high) will increase at least two points annually.

School Goals and Focus Areas

- 1. Improve academic performance of all students by enhancing literacy skills and addressing diverse learning needs through differentiation.
- 2. Strengthen the academic performance of 9th grade students to build a foundation for a solid high school career with an emphasis on increasing the EOC scores for 9th Grade Literature to meet or exceed the State target of 67.9 on the CCRPI and increasing the overall scores on the District Environmental Science Post PPPA to 70% of students showing at least 50% growth from pre-test.
- 3. Improve availability of resources for parents to gain a better understanding of how to be involved in their child's educational experience with an emphasis on increasing the number of parents attending a JHS family event by 5%.

Teachers, Parents, and Students... Together for Success!

School/Teacher Responsibilities:

Hold parent-teacher conferences to discuss and monitor student progress and review student achievement data in all academic areas.

Utilize the district learning management system (Canvas) as a way to communicate and share instructional strategies and materials with parents.

Record student progress in Infinite Campus so parents can track grades and absences.

Hold monthly parent meetings (see included schedule with topics) to give parents the tools to be actively engaged in their child's academic progress.

Provide resources for all academic areas through teacher Canvas pages, Hall County Parent Resource Catalog, USA Test Prep, and the Georgia DOE Online Assessment site which provides tools to parents on how to prepare your child for the EOC tests.

Family Responsibilities:

Attend parent-teacher conferences to discuss student progress and achievement data.

Hold discussions with children about materials found on Canvas course pages and strategies to increase academic achievement.

Check child's grades and attendance in Infinite Campus, and speak with child about their progress.

Participate in monthly parent meetings (see included schedule with topics) to learn ways to be actively engaged in child's academic progress and visit the school's website for updated information.

Follow the achievement plans created for my student and promote the use of resources found on teacher Canvas pages, Hall County Parent Resource Catalog, USA Test Prep, and the GA DOE Online Assessment site to help my student prepare for testing. In addition, ensure that students participate in credit recovery opportunities if needed.

Student Responsibilities:

Attend school daily and maintain passing grades in order to increase EOC scores and improve chances for graduation. In addition, speak with teachers about absences, missing work, and challenging content in a proactive and timely manner, and speak with parents about your academic progress as you complete homework and study material each night.

Strive to give himself/herself a better opportunity for graduation by taking advantage of test review, remediation, and enrichment opportunities provided by teacher Canvas pages, Hall County Parent Resource Catalog, USA Test Prep, and the GA DOE Online Assessment site.

Follow the Knights Creed for a successful school year...

Be Honest. Be Respectful. Be Personally Responsible. Use Your Talents to Make a Positive Difference!