

We want to stay in touch with you. Feel free to request a conference with your child's teacher or an administrator by calling (706) 935-6700

Come get involved at the WES Family Resource Center. If you would like to volunteer, participate, or observe in the classroom, please contact Jayne Black 706-935-6700 jblack.wes@catoosa.k12.ga.us.

Jointly Developed

The parents and staff of Woodstation Elementary School jointly developed this **Family- School Compact for Achievement.**

- Parents help create the actions for home activities to support learning goals.
- Students told us what would help them learn.
- Teachers created home learning strategies.
- Meetings are held each year to update this compact and make changes based on student needs.

Parents are always welcome to contribute comments and input.

Building Partnerships

Some of our upcoming meetings:

- Family and School Team (FAST) Meetings on Nov 6, Feb 7, and March 21
- Georgia Milestones Workshop on March 26
- Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting on April 17

Communication about Student Learning:

Woodstation Elementary School is committed to frequent, two-way communication with families about children's learning. Here are some ways to communicate with us and to stay informed:

- Student's nightly agenda
- Wednesday folders
- Updates on the school website
- Checking grades in parent portal
- Emailing the teacher
- Attending FAST meetings in order to understand student progress

Contact your child's teacher by phone (706) 935-6700 or email for questions about your student's progress.

FAMILY-SCHOOL COMPACT FOR ACHIEVEMENT School Year 2018-2019

Fifth Grade Focus for Student Success

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What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students, and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- *Link to school goals*
- *Focus on student learning skills*
- *Describe how teachers will help students develop skills using high-quality instruction*
- *Share strategies parents can use at home*
- *Explain how teachers and parents will communicate student progress*
- *Describe volunteer opportunities*

DISTRICT GOALS FOR STUDENT LEARNING

1. To improve the percentage of students scoring proficient (levels 3,4) in grades 3-8 according to Georgia Milestones.
2. To improve the percentage of students graduating from high school.

**When teachers, students,
and families work together, we
CAN achieve our goal:
I WILL GRADUATE!**



SCHOOL GOALS FOR STUDENT LEARNING

- Increase the number of fifth grade students scoring at Proficient Learner, level 3, or Distinguished Learner, level 4, on the Georgia Milestones Assessment in ELA.
⇒ **ASSESSED NEED FIFTH GRADE:**
⇒ ***Read for understanding and vocabulary development***
- Increase the number of fifth grade students scoring at Proficient Learner, level 3, or Distinguished Learner, level 4, on the Georgia Milestones Assessment in math.
⇒ **ASSESSED NEED FIFTH GRADE**
⇒ ***Solve multi-step word problems with whole numbers, fractions, and decimals.***

WES Fifth Grade Students

WES students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in reading and math. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- ◆ **Use IXL at home for math practice.**
- ◆ **Read 20-30 minutes at home every night from a book on my Lexile level.**
- ◆ **Complete my homework assignments and ask for help from my parents when I need it.**

**Parents, students, and
teachers work together
for success!**

WES Fifth Grade Teachers

The fifth grade teachers will work with students and their families to support student success in reading and math. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Teachers will provide parents with unit vocabulary and standards to be brought home in student interactive notebook and to be used for at home practice and activities.
- Teachers will provide links and login information for reading and math websites (IXL, etc.) for student practice at home.
- Teachers will encourage students to read a book on their Lexile level for 20-30 minutes per night by providing a variety of take home reading assignments.

At Home

WES parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support student success:

- Attend Family and School Team (FAST) meetings to learn about activities to practice at home that support my child's grade level goals.
- Practice ELA and reading skills at home by reading daily with my child, working on sight words, or using IXL and other educational websites together at home.
- Look for and read the class newsletter to stay informed about what my child is learning in class. Use the math and reading tips provided in the newsletter to support learning at home.

**Comments and/or suggestions are
welcome any time during the year.**