## LAYTONVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

2013-2014

Laytonville Elementary School and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (participating children), agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

# **School Responsibilities**

### **Laytonville Elementary School will:**

- 1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:
  - The school will provide State Board Adopted curriculum in all areas of instruction for all students using research based, engaging teaching strategies.
- 2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.
  - Parent-Teacher conferences will be held twice during the school year following the first and second trimesters.
- **3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.** Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:
  - During Parent-Teacher conferences children's academic and social/emotional progress will be discussed. Upper grades (6-8) will provide progress reports to students and parents at least 3 times during each trimester. One of those will be mailed home.
- **4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff.** Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
  - Staff will be available to parents during the after school hours, pre-arranged appointments, and via phone or email.
- 5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:
  - Parents may make arrangements via phone, email or face to face contact with their child(ren)'s teacher to volunteer or observe in their child(ren)'s class.

### **Parent Responsibilities**

### We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways:

- *Monitoring attendance.*
- Making sure that homework is completed.
- Monitoring amount of television their children watch.
- Volunteering in my child's classroom.
- Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.
- Promoting positive use of my child's extracurricular time.
- Staying informed about my child's education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.
- Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups.

#### **Student Responsibilities**

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.
- Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.
- Give to my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.

### **Additional Required School Responsibilities**

The Laytonville Elementary School will:

- 1. Involve parents in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's parental involvement policy, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.
- 2. Involve parents in the joint development of any schoolwide program plan, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.
- 3. Hold an annual meeting to inform parents of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs, and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements, and the right of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. The school will convene the meeting at a convenient time to parents, and will offer a flexible number of additional parental involvement meetings, such as in the morning or evening, so that as many parents as possible are able to attend. The school will invite to this meeting all parents of children participating in Title I, Part A programs (participating students), and will encourage them to attend.
- 4. Provide information to parents of participating students in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon the request of parents with disabilities, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents can understand.
- 5. Provide to parents of participating children information in a timely manner about Title I, Part A programs that includes a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.
- 6. On the request of parents, provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions, and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.
- 7. Provide to each parent an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in at least math, language arts and reading.
- 8. Provide each parent timely notice when their child has been assigned or has been taught for four (4) or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified within the meaning of the term in section 200.56 of the Title I Final Regulations (67 Fed. Reg. 71710, December 2, 2002).