

SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT 2016-2017

Fourth Grade Focus For Student Success



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Building Partnerships

Lithia Springs Elementary School provides many opportunities that parents can utilize to help their children succeed. The **Parent Resource Center** (PRC) offers a variety of resources such as educational games, books, workbooks and other materials. Parents may use materials in the center, or they may take advantage of the lending library to check-out resources for home use. There are also parent workshops and meetings scheduled throughout the year that include topics such as Math, Technology, and Academic Parent Teacher Teams (APTT). The Lion's Den and the Parent Post are two newsletters that are sent home that include more information on family engagement activities at our school.

Communication about Student Learning

Lithia Springs Elementary School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you include the following:

- Daily student folders
- Fourth grade newsletters
- Phone calls and/or emails
- Parent-teacher conferences will be held once a school year.
- Progress reports and report cards will be issued quarterly.
- Updates will be posted on the school and district websites.
- NotifyMe

What is a School Parent Compact?

The School-Parent Compact is an agreement that parents, students, school staff and teachers develop together. It explains how parents, students, and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

The Lithia Springs Elementary School Parent Compact:

- Is linked to the goals on the school improvement plan
- Focuses on student learning skills
- Describes how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Shares strategies parents can use at home
- Explains how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describes opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom

How is the School Parent Compact Developed?

Lithia Springs Elementary School parents, students, staff, and teachers contributed to the development of this Compact. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and students told us what would help them. Meetings are held throughout the year to review the Compact and make changes based on input received. Parents can contribute ideas at any time using our Comment Cards (housed in the Parent Resource Center or in the main office). For more information about the Compact or about submitting input, please contact the Parent Outreach Facilitator at Lithia Springs Elementary School at (770) 651-4167.

Our Goals for Student Achievement

Douglas County School System Goals- Title I

The percentage of students scoring at Developing Learner or above on the Georgia Milestones (GMAS) English Language Arts End of Grade Assessments will increase by five percentage points.

Lithia Springs Elementary School Goal

Lithia Springs Elementary School will increase their 2016 CCRPI score by 3% points.

Math Focus Area:

- Develop an understanding and fluency with multi-digit multiplication and division.

Reading Focus Area:

- Increase vocabulary and reading comprehension.

BUILDING PARTNERSHIPS

At Lithia Springs Elementary, parents are encouraged to volunteer and participate in their child's classroom. Parents may visit their child's classroom anytime school is in session, provided they are the legal guardian, sign in at the office, and follow school policies for classroom visits. Parents have the opportunity to call, send notes, or emails to request to volunteer or observe in the classroom.

TEACHERS, PARENTS, STUDENTS TOGETHER FOR SUCCESS

IN OUR FOURTH GRADE CLASSROOM

The fourth grade teachers will work with students and their families to support student success in science and math. We will work with students and families in the following ways:

- Provide parents with a resource of Eureka math and Number Talks strategies for homework help to use for multiplication and division.
- Provide parents with log-in instructions for MyOn and Odyssey.
- Provide Math vocabulary and activities via module and monthly newsletters
- Provide parent support nights focused on math.

AT HOME

Lithia Springs Elementary School parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in science and math. Some of our key at-home activities will be:

- Parents will utilize the Eureka Math links found on school website as a resource when assisting students with homework.
- Monitor student usage of MyOn and Odyssey and initial log.
- Look for the newsletters periodically and utilize the Math strategies vocabulary activities included in the newsletter.
- Attend parent math support nights offered.

LITHIA SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Lithia Springs Elementary School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in science and math. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Use Eureka math and Number Talks strategies in the classroom and at home.
- Keep a log of time spent on MyOn and Odyssey .
- Bring home newsletters and visit classroom website for additional Math vocabulary activities .
- Practice my math facts vocabulary .

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS?

It is our goal to provide reasonable access to school staff. All teachers have a phone number and an email address. Access both the phone number and email address on our school website <http://lithiasprings.dce.schoolinsites.com/> Please call the school at (770) 651-4100 for more information.