

# SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT 2015-2016

## Fifth 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
- Fifth grade newsletters
- Phone calls and/or emails
- Parent-teacher conferences will be held twice per 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 Instructional Lead Teacher at Lithia Springs Elementary School at (770) 651-4192.

## Our Goals for Student Achievement

### Douglas County School System Goals-Title I

All Title I schools in the district will increase their 2016 College and Career Ready Performance Index (CCRPI) score by 5% points.

### Lithia Springs Elementary School Goal

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

#### Math Focus Area:

- Fluently multiply multi-digit whole numbers

#### Science Focus Area:

- Develop Vocabulary in Science

### **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 FIFTH GRADE CLASSROOM

The fifth 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:

- Offer Eureka math and science parent support nights.
- Provide links and passwords to parents for Odyssey Learning.
- Provide Grade Level study guides for math and science.
- Our monthly newsletter will feature games and activities that families can play to review the science vocabulary words we have introduced in our classroom.

### 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:

- Attend Parent Support nights.
- Support and monitor Odyssey participation at home.
- Utilize study guides with your child to assist child with homework.
- Look for the class newsletter each month and utilize science games and activities to reinforce vocabulary at home.

### 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:

- Bring Home School Newsletter.
- Participate in math support nights with parents and use strategies with homework.
- Keep a log of time spent on Odyssey Learning at home.
- Utilize the math and science study guides at home with parents.
- Talk with my family about the vocabulary and skills I am learning in science.

### 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.