



**School-Parent Compact
Camden Middle School
School Year 2017 – 2018**

Revised 09/21/2017

Adopted

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Camden Middle School, students participating in the Title I, Part A program, and their families, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement as well as describes how school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The parents, students, and staff of Camden Middle School partnered together to develop this school-parent compact for achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added input about the types of support they needed, and students told us what would help them learn. Parents were encouraged to attend annual revision meetings held August 18 and September 21, 2017, to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. Parents were also encouraged to participate in the annual Title I parent survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs and policies.

To understand how working together can benefit your child, it is first important to understand the district's and school's goals for student academic achievement.

CAMDEN COUNTY SCHOOL GOALS: Needs updating

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CAMDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL GOALS:

*Camden Middle School will increase the language arts scores of all students by three percent.
Camden Middle School will increase the mathematics achievement of all students by three percent.*

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

Camden Middle School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- Parent-Teacher Conferences – Please contact the counseling office to schedule.
- Parent Workshops – Please see the Camden Middle School Parent and Family Engagement Plan (PFEP) for dates and more information or view the Camden Middle School Activity Calendar on the Title I page of the Camden Middle School website (<https://goo.gl/XZbdgy>).
- Host a Helping with Homework in the 21st Century workshop for parents in response to needs expressed in the annual Title I survey.
- Curriculum Nights – Please see the Camden Middle School PFEP for more information.
- Open House – Held annually before school begins. Please see the Camden County Schools website.
- Parent Resource Center – located in the Camden Middle School Media Center
- Volunteering – contact the teacher for specific opportunities or Shan Peters (Media Specialist) for additional opportunities.
- Parents will be allowed to observe classes: please contact the counseling office if interested.

To help your child meet the district and school goals, the school, you, and your child will work together to:

SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

Camden Middle School will:

ELA1 Provide students and parents with Lexile information and/or suggested reading lists for independent reading.

ELA 2 Provide a list of vocabulary terms for students to master at home

ELA3 Provide a writing rubric/writing checklist and teach students in its use

Math 1 Use summarizing strategies to prepare students to share the day's lesson with their families (or something else-this could use improvement)

Math 2 Provide problems to students they can use to teach their family about the unit or lesson. **NEEDS FREQUENCY**

Both provide resources and websites for parents and students to use to reinforce skills

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We, as parents, will:

ELA1 Ask our children to read nightly in the appropriate Lexile range.

ELA2 Ensure the vocabulary terms are practiced and mastered

ELA3 Use the writing rubric/writing checklist to review student writing

Math1 Ask our children to show and discuss the day's math lesson and how it can be applied.

Math2 Ask our children to be the teacher by providing a guided demonstration on how to do a math problem related to the current unit/lesson. **NEEDS FREQUENCY**

Both encourage the use of shared resources to practice and reinforce skills

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

ELA1 Read nightly in the appropriate Lexile range.

ELA2 Practice the vocabulary terms until I achieve mastery

ELA3 Review my writing using the writing rubric/writing checklist

Math1 Discuss what we learned in the day's math lesson and explain how it can be applied.

Math2 Be the teacher and teach a family member how to do a problem from the current unit/lesson. **NEEDS FREQUENCY**

Both Use the resources my teachers share to practice and reinforce my skills

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

Camden Middle 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 are:

Power School Parent Portal, PowerSchool automated e-mails, and PowerSchool app

Teacher websites/Google Classroom

Parent-Teacher conferences

Weekly team E-Blasts

Phone calls

Emails to parents on student's progress

Facebook

If you have questions regarding your child's education please contact the appropriate teacher. If you would like further information you may contact:

6th Grade – Andria Brimhall – abrimhall@camden.k12.ga.us

7th Grade – Leatha Massey – lmassey@camden.k12.ga.us

8th Grade Ben Croxton – bcroxton@camden.k12.ga.us

Instructional Specialist – Melissa Halstead – mhalstead@camden.k12.ga.us

Principal - James McCarter – jmccarter@camden.k12.ga.us

You may also call the counseling department. (912) 729 - 3113



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Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have received, read, and agree to this School-Parent Compact. Once signed, please return the form to your child’s teacher and keep the School-Parent Compact as a reminder of your commitment. The School-Parent Compact will be discussed with you throughout the year at different school-family events as we work together to help your child succeed in school. We look forward to our school-parent partnership!

School Representative:

School Representative Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student’s Name

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Comments: _____

_____ I prefer not to sign this agreement at this time.

Also enclosed is the Camden Middle School Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Plan for Shared Student Success. Each Camden County School develops its plan with the involvement of teachers, parents, and students. The plan is made available to all stakeholders for feedback before being adopted at the annual Title I meeting. The plan outlines how parents and the school can work in partnership to accomplish educational goals. Please contact Andria Brimhall by e-mail (abrimhall@camden.k12.ga.us) or by phone (912) 729 – 3113 if you have any questions regarding the plan.