

OUR GOALS FOR STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Valley K-8 School

Our Purpose is to strive to improve student learning academically, socially and emotionally, consistent with the district purpose of "improving the lives of children and families."

Summary of 2017-18 Schoolwide Goals

- Emphasize teaching Tier 2 Common Core State Standards for grades K-8 in vocabulary such that every student achieves 13 months of growth in English Language Arts and Math during the school year.
- Reduce overall office referrals and SOAR Room visits by 20% by continuing to implement and grow Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports and Sound Discipline practices schoolwide.
- Develop meaningful parental involvement with an emphasis on a quality student-parent-teacher compact in which students develop a self-directed goal that parents and teachers support.

Let's Communicate About Student Learning

We are committed to frequent two-way communication with families about their child's learning. Some of the ways parents and school staff communicate include:

- Weekly notes and periodic phone calls
- Frequent reports about your child's learning and development progress
- Online classroom sites
- Student-Led Conferences twice yearly
- Opportunities for classroom visits and participation

TEACHERS + PARENTS + STUDENTS = SUCCESS TOGETHER

WORKING TOGETHER IN THE CLASSROOM

We believe all students can learn and achieve at high levels. We believe all students are unique, possessing their own set of strengths. The Valley School staff is committed to growing those strengths and helping each student develop academically, socially, and emotionally by:

- Providing high quality curriculum and instruction in supportive and effective classroom environments.
- Working closely with parents, guardians and families to ensure each child's success at school.
- Recognizing students, parents and staff members for their efforts.
- Developing a safe and positive learning environment, utilizing consistent strategies schoolwide that support social-emotional learning.
- Doing our best to meet the individual need of each student.

TEACHER NAME & SIGNATURE: _____

WORKING TOGETHER AT HOME

Parents are the first and most important teacher of their children. Families that work together with their child and teacher to achieve goals have students that are more likely to succeed at a high level in school and life. Some examples of goals to work on at home might include the following:

- Work with my child on at least one self-improvement goal.
- Support my child on reaching their personal goal.
- Read with my child every night or have my child read independently every night.

My Own Personal Goal is:

PARENT NAME & SIGNATURE: _____

STUDENT'S GOALS FOR SUCCESS

Valley School District students joined staff and parents to develop ideas for how they can succeed in school:

- Attend school regularly, arrive on time, dress appropriately and be prepared to learn
- Participate daily in class, including class discussions, group assignments, and other assignments.
- Be respectful to persons around me, including school staff and my peers.

My Own Personal Goal is:

STUDENT NAME & SIGNATURE: _____

SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

FALL CONFERENCE

SPRING CONFERENCE

WHAT IS A PARENT-SCHOOL COMPACT?

A **Parent-School Compact for Student Achievement** is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will collaborate to make sure all students reach or exceed grade-level standards. This compact:

- Links to goals of the School Improvement Plan.
- Focuses on student skill mastery.
- Describes how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality curriculum and 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.

Join these annual school events and activities:

- Open House, Sept. 13th, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- Monthly Family Engagement meetings beginning September 15th. Morning and afternoon meetings available. Call Candace Harris at 509-937-2638 if you would like to attend.

If you would like to volunteer, participate or observe in a classroom, please contact...

ABOUT VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Our Purpose

Valley School District exists to improve the lives of children and families.

Our Ethical Principals

Student Centered – Focusing on the unique needs, interests and aspirations of each student.

Family Oriented – Respecting families as students' first and most important teachers and partnering with families to improve student success.

Respect – Honoring and recognizing the dignity of the people we interact with by communicating directly and honestly—listening attentively, actively exploring ideas and viewpoints to build consensus and action upon that consensus.

Positivity – A contagious attitude that encourages people to work together, increase efficiency, promote overall success and ensure individuals feel valued.

Integrity – Demonstrating moral and ethical judgement and action which produce good character traits, confidence and makes us the best we can be.

Trust – Relying on each other's character, abilities, strength and honesty.

Building Partnerships Together

The parents, students and staff of Valley School District meet annually to discuss student learning needs based on current grade-level data. Our *Parent-School Compact for Student Achievement* is revised based on these discussions. During this process, teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific and students identified ways to support the learning goals.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time by contacting the school office at (509) 937-2413; Toll Free at (888) 284-5719; or by writing to Valley K-8 School, 3034 Huffman Road, Valley, WA 99181

Parent-School Compact for Student Achievement



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