



THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA

Paul L. Dunbar Elementary School **School-Parent Compact**

School Year 2023 - 2024

Revision Date:
4/12/2023

Dear Parent/Guardian,

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The Parents, students, and staff of Dunbar Elementary 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 are encouraged to attend annual revision meetings each year to review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the School Family Engagement survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs, policies and family engagement. A meeting was held on April 12, 2023 to solicit parent input into the development of this School Parent Compact.

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.

[The Board of Education's updated Goals and Guardrails are available on the School District Website at www.philasd.org.](http://www.philasd.org)

Paul L. Dunbar Elementary School GOALS

- *Increase the percentage of students that attend school 90% of days or more.*
- *Increase the percentage of students of grade 3-8 students that score proficient/advanced on the ELA PSSA .*
- *Increase the percentage of grade 3 students that score proficient/advanced on the ELA PSSA.*
- *Increase the percentage of grade 3-8 students that score proficient/advanced on the Math PSSA.*

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

SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

Paul L. Dunbar Elementary School will:

- *Provide the necessary materials for effective instruction to achieve the State's high academic standards.*
- *Hold hold monthly family workshops about specific academic content.*
- *Provide parents with student progress reports 3x per year.*
- *Provide parents with training on how to sign up and use the parent portal.*

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We, as parents, will:

- *Ensure that students utilize resources to complete all assignments.*
- *Work collaboratively to develop a Home and School Association.*
- *Take part in and attending workshops.*
- *Promptly read all notices from the school and/or the school district.*
- *Participate as a volunteer where possible (e.g. as a crossing guard assistant, in the main office, on field trips, etc.).*
- *Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as being the Title I, Part A parent representative on the school's School Improvement Team, the Title I Policy Advisory Committee, the District wide Policy Advisory Council, the State's Committee of Practitioners, the School Support Team or other school advisory or policy groups.*

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- *Complete all assignments every day and ask for help when I need it.*
- *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.*

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

Paul L. Dunbar 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 are:

- *Class Dojo*
- *Automated phone calls and targeted calls/emails/texts as necessary*
- *School website and social media*
- *Information shared via information center/bulletin board at school entrance*
- *Ensure materials are translated and translators are available at meetings*
- *Communication about student learning should be confidential*
- *Newsletters/calendars*
- *Parent Portal*
- *Parents will conference on the child(ren)'s academic progress three times a year. We will work to coordinate conferences at different times of day in order to best accommodate the schedules of parents/families. These will be held as follows: November 27, 2023; February 1 - 2, 2024; and, April 4 - 5, 2024.*
- *Interim reports will be shared by the following dates: September 29, 2023; December 15, 2023; February 23, 2024; and, May 3, 2024.*

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

Paul L. Dunbar Elementary School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- *SAC Meetings*
- *Parent Workshops focusing on homework completion and other topics as determined by the school and families*
- *Back to School Night*
- *Annual Academic Night*
- *Student Recognition Assemblies*
- *Hold additional Student Performances*
- *Hold Community Based event to provide resources to families*
- *"Fun" events not necessarily tied to sharing information*