

Commitment to Excellence Contract (School-Family Compact)

Scholar: _____

Grade: _____

Homeroom Teacher/Advisory: _____



PS7, and the parents of the scholars participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the scholars will share the responsibility for improved scholar academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help scholars achieve the State's high standards.

Scholar Commitment

I fully commit to PS7 in the following ways:

- I will be on campus by 7:45 am and in class, seated, and ready to learn by 7:50 am.
- I will remain at PS7 until my grade-level dismissal time.
- I will attend any required PS7 after school activities such as Detention, Saturday School, and/or summer sessions.
- I will wear a PS7 uniform and follow the PS7 dress code.
- I will always work, think, and behave in the best way I know how and I will do whatever it takes for me and my fellow scholars to learn.
- I will complete all of my homework every night, I will contact my teacher if I have a problem with the homework or a problem coming to school, and I will raise my hand and ask questions in class if I do not understand something.
- I will always make myself available to my parents/family, my teacher, and any concerns they might have. If I make a mistake, this means I will tell the truth to my teacher or PS7 administration and accept responsibility for my actions.
- I will always behave so as to protect the safety, interests, and rights of all individuals in the classroom. This also means that I will always listen to all of my PS7 teammates and give everyone respect.
- I am responsible for my own behavior and I will meet my teachers' expectations..

Failure to adhere to these commitments can cause me to lose various PS7 privileges.

Scholar Signature: _____

Parent(s)/Guardians(s) Commitment

We fully commit to PS7 in the following ways:

- We will make sure our scholar is on campus by 7:45 am and in class and seated by 7:50 am.
- We will make arrangements so our scholar can remain at PS7 until his/her grade level dismissal time.
- We will ensure that our scholar wears a PS7 uniform and follows the PS7 dress code.
- We will ensure that our scholar attends required PS7 Detention, Saturday School, and/or summer school sessions.
- We understand that our scholar must follow PS7 rules to protect the safety, interests, and rights of all individuals in the classroom. We, not the school, are responsible for the behavior and actions of our scholar.
- We will always help our scholar in the best way we know how and will do whatever it takes for him/her to learn.
- We will check our scholar's homework every night and let him/her contact the teacher if there is a problem with the homework..
- We will always make ourselves available to our scholars, the school, and any concerns they might have. This also means that if our scholar is going to miss school, we will notify the Front Office as soon as possible and we will read carefully all the papers that the school sends home to us. We will ensure that our contact information is updated in a timely manner.
- We will always protect the safety, interests, and rights of all individuals in the classroom.

Failure to adhere to these commitments can cause my scholar to lose various PS7 privileges.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature: _____

Teacher/Staff Commitment

We fully commit to PS7 in the following ways:

- We will arrive every day before 7:30 am.
- We will maintain professional standards for appearance and a positive attitude.
- We will uphold the PS7 dress code.
- We will always teach in the best way we know how, and we will do whatever it takes for our scholars to learn.
- We will work collaboratively with parents/guardians, fellow teachers, all support staff and administration.
- We will always make ourselves available to scholars and parents/guardians, and listen to any concerns they might have and collaborate to create solutions.
- We will respond to all parent/guardian concerns within 24 hours.
- We will always protect the safety, interests, and rights of all individuals in the classroom.

Teacher Signature: _____

Schoolwide Commitment

We fully commit to PS7 families and scholars in the following ways:

- We will provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating scholars to meet the State's scholar academic achievement standards by:
 - Providing instruction by qualified teachers and continuing to offer differentiated professional development based on the needs of our scholars in the classroom.
 - Regularly, at least quarterly, assess scholar progress towards meeting standards through benchmarks and teacher reflection.
 - Offering expanded opportunities for academic supports including support classes and after-school opportunities.
 - Offering advanced courses and accelerated learning options.
- We will hold parent/family-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual scholar's achievement.
- PS7 will convene Student Support Teams (SST) as needed for scholars. PS7 teachers will review scholar academic and behavior information at least every 3 weeks and will convene a parent/guardian and teacher conference as needed for scholars. SSTs will include parents/guardians, the scholar, and all of the scholar's teachers. Special education staff and deans/administrators will also be included in SSTs as necessary.
- We will provide parents with frequent reports on their scholar's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:
 - Via access to online progress reports through the Illuminate Parent Portal
 - Through the Blue Communication Folder sent home with scholars including a print out of updated scholar academic progress and other important notices for parents.
 - In weekly Progress Reports and quarterly Report Cards.
 - Class DoJo messages.
- We will provide parents/guardians reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:
 - Via DoJo, email or other school approved communication methods.
 - Scheduled meetings with teachers and staff.
 - Quarterly family events..
- We will provide parents/guardians opportunities to volunteer and participate in their scholar's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:
 - Through parent/guardian volunteer activities (please contact the front office for further information on volunteering at PS7).
 - Through scheduled campus visits and/or classroom observation (please contact the front office for further information on setting up a visit or classroom observations).