



**Carver Middle School**  
**Title 1 Schoolwide Program**  
**School-Parent Compact 2016 - 2017**



## We are Carver, We are PROUD

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Carver 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. We also agree that the compact describes how the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the state's high standards.

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

### **Carver Middle School's 2016-2017 Goals:**

**Vision:** The vision of Carver Middle School is to help all students achieve personal success today and in the future.

**Mission Statement:** The mission of Carver Middle School is to **Challenge** and **Motivate** students to be **Successful** in all Content Areas.

#### **Carver Middle School 2016-2017 Goals**

**Measurable Language Arts Goal:**

Carver Middle School will increase the weighted proficiency rate of Grade 6-8 performance on the GA Milestones ELA assessment from 53% to 69% or above by June 2017.

**Measurable Math Goal:**

Carver Middle School will increase the weighted proficiency rate of Grade 6-8 performance on the GA Milestones Math assessment from 56% to 77% or above by June 2017.

**Measurable Science Goal:**

Carver Middle School will increase the weighted proficiency rate of Grade 8 performance on the GA Milestones Science assessment from 46% to 65% or above by June 2017.

**Measurable Social Studies Goal:**

Carver Middle School will increase the weighted proficiency rate of Grade 8 performance on the GA Milestones Social Studies assessment from 53% to 71% or above by June 2017.

#### **Walton County District 2016-2017 Goals**

The weighted proficiency rate of students on the Georgia Milestones **ELA** assessment (required participation rate of  $\geq 95\%$ ) will increase by 3% in 2017. **Baseline 2016: 66%**

The weighted proficiency rate of students on the Georgia Milestones **Mathematics** assessment (required participation rate of  $\geq 95\%$ ) will increase by 3% in 2017. **Baseline 2016: 73%**

The weighted proficiency rate of students on the Georgia Milestones **Science** assessment (required participation rate of  $\geq 95\%$ ) will increase by 3% in 2017. **Baseline 2016: 64% (Grades 5&8 only due to the discontinuation of science assessment in grades 3,4,6,&7 due to SB 364. Information only – 2015: 61%, 2016: 63% (grades 3-8)**

The weighted proficiency rate of students on the Georgia Milestones **Social Studies** assessment (required participation rate of  $\geq 95\%$ ) will increase by 3% in 2017. **Baseline 2016: 67% (Grades 5&8 only due to the discontinuation of science assessment in grades 3,4,6,&7 due to SB 364. Information only – 2015: 64%, 2016: 67% (grades 3-8)**



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***School Responsibilities:***

Carver Middle School will:

- 1. Provide high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the state's student academic achievement standards by:**
  - Teaching the Georgia Standards of Excellence Curriculum as it is the curriculum that guides instruction for ALL students,
  - Posting and referencing standards and vocabulary throughout a class period in every classroom across the school,
  - Using Learning Focused Strategies (LFS)/Best Practices as guides for planning and instruction. These include but are not limited to diversification and differentiation.
  - Maximizing instructional time by teaching Bell to Bell,
  - Delivering well-planned instruction which fits the lesson frameworks from Georgia Department of Education,
  - Communicating with students, parents, and advisors frequently to assure student success,
  - Committing to help smaller groups of students set goals, be successful in academics, and be another caring adult that is interested in an individual student's success,
  - Implementing well-planned lessons which engage students in a variety of activities and types of tasks,
  - Fairly and consistently enforcing and following procedures for discipline based on the Walton County Code of Conduct and the Carver Middle School Rules and Procedures,
  - Welcoming parental involvement in our school, in their child's education, and in other activities at CMS.
  - Communicating with parents promptly and frequently,
  - Posting grades in a timely manner and contacting parents when students struggle,
  - Making data-driven decisions to enrich student learning, and
  - Providing a safe learning environment in our classrooms and throughout our schools.
- 2. Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.**

During conferences, the School-Parent compact will be referenced as a reminder of the school's, parents', and student's role in fostering student success.

- Parents may request a conference by contacting their child's homeroom teacher any time they have a concern or issue they feel needs to be discussed with their child's teachers.
- Teachers will conference with the parent via phone or face-to-face if a student is struggling academically.
- The teacher and/or administrator will conference with parents if a student is experiencing behavioral difficulties.
- Parents of students that are part of the CMS Pyramid of Intervention Program (POI) will be invited to three scheduled parent conferences throughout the year.
- Parents of students that have an IEP or 504 Plan will conference with teachers and coordinators annually to review the IEP or 504 Plan. The parents may request additional conferences if they have concerns.



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**3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.**

- Teachers will update students' grades weekly in the on-line student information system (iCampus) to which all parents have access.
  - The parent portal can be located on the Walton County Website [www.walton.k12.ga.us](http://www.walton.k12.ga.us) under the parent tab. (Contact the front office for your log-in and password information.)
- Progress reports will be posted on the on-line grade book program the 4<sup>th</sup> week of each eight week grading period, and a printed copy will be sent home with each student. (8/30, 11/10, 2/9, and 4/27)
- Report cards will be printed and sent home at the end of each quarter. (10/20, 1/12, 3/23, and 5/31)

**4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff.**

- Teachers can communicate with parents by phone, email, or in person.
  - Carver Middle School Phone Number: 770-207-3333
  - Carver Middle School Website with teacher email addresses: [www.carvermiddle.org](http://www.carvermiddle.org)
- Teachers may be contacted by calling the front office and leaving a message, emailing them at the link provided on the CMS website, or writing them a note in your child's agenda.
- Teachers will contact parents/guardians within 24 hours of receiving a phone message, email, or written note from the parent/guardian.
- Teachers will frequently provide parents with all county and school contact information on weekly newsletters. The contact information noted will include: the school's phone number, the Walton County website, the Carver Middle School website, teacher's specific webpage addresses, and the Carver Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/carvermiddleschoolwildcats>).

**5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class and to observe classroom activities as follows:**

- Parents are welcome to schedule classroom observations with the teacher at any time.
- Parents are encouraged to volunteer at CMS by following the Walton County School District (WCSD) volunteer procedures.
- Contact CMS office for details about mandatory school volunteer trainings.



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***Parent Responsibilities:***

I/We, as (a) parent(s), will:

- Provide accurate phone numbers, addresses and emergency contact information,
- Make sure my child gets adequate rest and proper nutrition,
- Read my child's school communications (newsletters, teacher emails, Remind 101, etc.) each week so that I am aware of the standards my child will be taught each week, what tests my child will need to study for each week, and the after-school events my child will need to attend at CMS each week,
- Check the iCampus Portal each week to view my child's grades and/or missing work,
  - The parent portal can be located on the Walton County Website [www.walton.k12.ga.us](http://www.walton.k12.ga.us) under the parent tab. (Contact the front office for how to obtain your log-in and password information.)
- Make arrangements with my child's teacher for my child to stay after school for free tutoring when my child is struggling in a subject area,
  - Carver Middle School Phone Number: 770-207-3333
  - Carver Middle School Website with teacher email addresses: [www.carvermiddle.org](http://www.carvermiddle.org)
- Check my child's agenda each evening to see what homework assignments he/she has and ensure they complete the homework,
- Support the WCSD Code of Conduct and CMS Rules and Procedures, including the CMS dress code, to develop positive school behavior,
- Attend conferences that are requested by teachers and/or administrators.
- Assure that my child's attendance is regular and punctual,
- Encourage my child to do his/her best in school, and
- Arrange to pick up my child for illness or after school as requested.
- Parents will stay informed of Carver Middle School announcements and events by regularly accessing the Carver Middle School Events Calendar on [www.carvermiddle.org](http://www.carvermiddle.org) or by liking the Carver Middle School Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/home.php#!/carvermiddleschoolwildcats>.

***Student Responsibilities:***

I, as a student, will:

- Participate in class, ask questions, and be engaged,
- Complete all classwork and homework,
- Study for tests and quizzes,
- Make arrangements with my parent/guardian and teacher to stay after school to receive free tutoring when I am struggling in a subject area,
- Review my grade on the iCampus Portal at least once a week to be aware of my grades and/or missing work,
- Attend school regularly and punctually,
- Comply with WCSD Code of Conduct and CMS Rules and Procedures to develop positive school behavior,
- Dress according to the CMS dress code policy,
- Remain drug free,
- Act safely and appropriately at all times,
- Use my time wisely because I know this day will never come again, and
- Report any wrong behavior (especially bullying) and/or activity to any adult.
- Follow all correct caring and usage procedures as they relate to all school electronic devices, especially my Chromebook that will be issued to me as a 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grader.



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Please review this School-Parent Compact with your child. This 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.

**Please sign and date below to acknowledge that you have read, received, and agree to this School-Parent Compact.  
Once signed, please return the form to your child's teacher. We look forward to our school-parent partnership!**

Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

School Representative Signature: Alan Satterfield, Principal Date: 8-3-16

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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