

What is a School-Family Compact?

A *School-Family Compact for Achievement* is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how families and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe and participate in the classroom

Jointly Developed

The families, students and staff of West Bristol School developed this School-Family Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific and students told us what would help them learn.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments and ideas at any time

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe please contact **West Bristol PTO** at west-bridolpto@yahoo.com or visit our school Web site and click on the **PTO Button**.

Building Partnerships

- McDonald's Night
- Parent/Teacher Conferences
- November Literacy Event

Future Events:

- Field Trip to Amahl
- Boston Field Trip
- March Literacy Event

Communication about Student Learning

West Bristol School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about your children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Planners (nightly)
- Emails to Families
- Positive phone calls, emails or notes

Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by phone (860-584-7815) or email. E-mail addresses are on the school web site at www.bristolk12.ct.us

**West Bristol K-8
SCHOOL-FAMILY COMPACT
FOR ACHIEVEMENT
2019-2020**

5th Grade Focus



For Student Success

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Teachers, Families, Students—Together for Success

Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

By June 2019 all students will be at grade level or higher in both math and reading. We achieve these goals by:

- ensuring that all students learn in a community of highly committed, dynamic and passionate individuals;
- improving central office and building systems, organizational structures and services to foster a safe and positive learning environment, and utilize resources most efficiently;
- expanding and increasing community partnerships that meet in and out of school needs of students and families in order to improve student outcomes;
- putting students at the center of their learning to guarantee they have the knowledge, skills, voice and social emotional skills to be successful in post secondary learning, career, and life.

More specifically, Bristol Public Schools will:

- design opportunities for learning that reflect high expectations for all students;
- guarantee challenging, engaging, and intentional instruction;
- ensure that students are achieving through frequent progress monitoring of formal and informal assessments and find pathways for students to succeed;
- provide children with academic and social-emotional supports within a safe and positive school climate; and
- encourage students to attend school routinely and to miss only when absolutely necessary.

West Bristol School Goals

By June 2020 state school goal in math and reading:

Our instructional focus will be:

- To improve the learning opportunities for all students through comprehensive unit planning, assessment and instruction.
- Develop a warm and caring learning environment where all students feel safe and welcome.

In our 5th Grade Classroom

The 5th grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math.

Some of our key connections will be:

- Maintain open communications with families through emails, notes, and phone calls for all subject areas and behavior.
- Implement technology that readies students for educational success (students have access to: sumdog, Raz-Kids, & google classroom)
- Daily intervention groups for math
- Guided reading
- Whole group, small group, and guided instruction

At Home

West Bristol School families joined staff to develop ideas on how families can support students' success in reading and math.

- Sign off on planners each night to ensure ALL homework is complete.
- Practice multiplication and division facts and current concepts
- Read aloud to check student fluency and comprehension and have a 5 minute book talk about nightly reading. Sign reading log.

West Bristol Students

West Bristol School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas on how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math and reading. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and at school.

- Create/find a quiet spot to do homework each night
- Be prepared
- Stay organized
- Return homework
- No Excuses!