

## 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](mailto:west-bridolpto@yahoo.com) or visit our school Web site and click on the **PTO Button**.

## Building Partnerships

Eighth grade is a very busy year. We will be sending home information about signing up for **Remind.com**. We will use this to keep you informed of upcoming events and deadlines for paperwork/forms.

We encourage students and parents/guardians to sign up to receive texts or emails.

*Detailed information will be sent home.*

## 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:

- Power School Parent Pages
- Email and phone communication (as needed)

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 listed below.

**LA**—[talaadiwiya@bristolk12.org](mailto:talaadiwiya@bristolk12.org)

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West Bristol K-8  
SCHOOL-FAMILY COMPACT  
FOR ACHIEVEMENT  
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## 8th Grade Focus



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## 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.

## Teachers, Families, Students—Together for Success

### In our 8th Grade Classroom

The 8th grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math.

Some of our key connections will be:

- Conference with students to develop goals and discuss ways to achieve those goals.
- Provide current grades to families and students by maintaining online grade books through PowerSchool.
- Provide varied opportunities for students success through classroom activities that reach out to all learning styles.
- Provide opportunities to rework assessments, and/or assignments, to improve understanding of concepts.

### At Home

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

- Check homework in the student's planner and monitor grades using the online parent portal.
- Encourage your child to read the required 25 minutes each night.
- Talk to your child about what they are doing in school. Help them study for tests and quizzes.
- Provide a quiet area/time for homework completion.

### 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.

- Complete all homework assignments and keep binders and notebooks organized.
- Ask questions in class and be an active participant. Share what you're learning in school with your family.
- Set learning goals and map out ways to meet those goals. Post them somewhere in the home for everyone to see.

My learning goal is: \_\_\_\_\_

I can reach it by: \_\_\_\_\_