

## What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade level standards.

### Jointly Developed with Parents

The parents of Four Seasons A+ Elementary School helped develop this Compact for Achievement. School wide meetings are held each year to update the compact. Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

For more information on the 3-5 compact, please contact Karen Shanahan at Karen.shanahan@spps.org or 651.325.2492.

### Communicating about Learning

Four Seasons A+ Elementary School is committed to communicating regularly with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to communicate are:

- Monthly *Spotlight* email
- Website: [www.spps.org/fourseasons](http://www.spps.org/fourseasons)
- Teachers will provide contact information at the start of the school year.

If you have questions about your child's progress, please contact their teacher.

## Activities to Support Partnerships

### Conferences

November 9, 4:00-7:00 pm  
November 10, 10:00 am-7:00 pm  
March 26, 4:00-7:00 pm  
March 28, 4:00-7:00 pm  
March 29, 8:00 am-2:00 pm

### Workshops & Advocacy

We Are Four Seasons/Title I Night Sept. 18,  
5:00-6:00 pm  
Celebrate Four Seasons/Year in Review May 20,  
5:00-6:00 pm

### Academic Parent Teacher Teams (APTT)

October 16, 5:00-7:00 pm  
February 26, 5:30-7:00 pm  
May 13, 5:00-7:00 pm

### Welcome/Transition Events

Open House August 31, 4:00-6:00 pm

Pre-K Family Days  
Fall and Spring TBD

Coffee with the Principal - 7:30-8:30 am  
September 12, October 10, December 12, January 9,  
March 12, April 15, May 7

### Classroom Visits & Volunteering

Four Seasons A+ encourages parents/guardians to visit. Please contact your child's teacher to set up a time. If you are interested in volunteering at Four Seasons A+, visit [spps.org/volunteer4S](http://spps.org/volunteer4S)

## Four Seasons A+ Elementary School

3-5 Compact  
2023-2024

Home & School Partnership  
for Student Success



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## District Goals

### District Goals for Student Achievement

More at [spps.org/strategicplan](https://spps.org/strategicplan)

- Decrease disparities based on race, ethnicity, culture and identity
- Increase achievement of English Learners
- Increase achievement of students receiving special education services
- Improve kindergarten readiness
- Increase academic growth in reading and math for all students
- Prepare all graduates for college, career and life

## School Goals

Reading:

The percentage of all students scoring proficient or higher in reading will increase from 5.3% to 8% as measured by the MCA III Reading Assessment administered in April 2023.

Math:

The percentage of all students scoring proficient or higher in mathematics will increase from 3.7% to 5% as measured by the MCA III Math Assessment administered in April 2023.

## In the 3-5 Classrooms

3-5 teams will work with students and their families to support students' academic success. During a regular school day, one hundred thirty-five minutes are spent in literacy (reading/writing) lessons and practice; ninety minutes are spent in math review, lessons, and practice.

Arts integration will enhance learning in all subjects while each grade will also have specialists in dance, music, and physical education. Teachers will teach with high expectations based on the belief that each student can learn.

Some key connections with families will be:

- Monthly newsletters sharing what is happening in the classroom.
- Opportunities to connect with the teacher through calls, texts, emails, or virtually.
- Conferences, in-person or virtual, held in fall and spring.
- At-level books will be provided for home reading.
- Course work will be shared through Schoology.
- Traditional board games support cognitive development and reading and math skills. Four Seasons will be opening a board game lending library in the fall of 2023.

## At Home

Parents and families play an important role in supporting their students' learning. Here are some things parents have said they can do at home to help their student:

- Teachers will send reading logs home with students and families are encouraged to track their child's reading.
- Talk to your child about their school day and ask what they are learning.
- Attend conferences.
- Make sure your child is at school every day, on time, unless they have a fever or are seriously ill. Inform the office of absences.
- Communication goes both ways: your teacher will call, text, or write home, families are also welcome to call, text or write to the teacher. We prioritize teaching time. If a teacher is instructing students, they may need to call you back in order to give you their full attention.
- Look for the monthly *Spotlight* email and check in backpacks regularly.
- Use Schoology to follow my child's course work.

## Four Seasons A+ Students

Four Seasons A+ Elementary School students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Read at home daily.
- Talk about your school day with your family.
- Bring home newsletters, notes, and other communication from school and return them to the teacher when necessary.