

What is 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 at Farnsworth Aerospace helped develop this Compact for Achievement. Schoolwide meetings are held each year to update the compact. Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

For more information on the PreK-K, 1-2 and 3-4 grade compact, please contact: John Bjoraker at 651-293-8675.



Activities to Support Partnerships Conferences

- November 12, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- November 14, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- November 15, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- March 17, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- March 19, 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- March 20, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Minnesota Statute 181.9412 Subd. 2 states, "An employer must grant an employee leave of up to 16 hours during any 12-month period to attend school conferences or school-related activities related to the employee's child...with reasonable prior notice of the leave and make reasonable effort to schedule the leave so as not to disrupt unduly the operations of the employer."

Parent Workshops

- Open House Night—August 29, 2020
- Title 1/Family Night—September 12, 2020
- Engineering Family Night—October 3, 2020
- New Student Orientation—Spring 2021
- Parent Seminars— Winter 2020
- Science/Engineering Showcase— April 30, 2021
- Multicultural Night— May 21, 2021

Farnsworth School Organization (FSO)

- Second Monday of the Month, 6:00 PM

Parent Group

- Hmong Parent Group – Quarterly

Visit Classroom Day

- Parents are welcomed and encouraged to visit their child's classroom any day of the week. Please let the office know you will be visiting.

Communicating about Learning

Farnsworth Aerospace is committed to communicating regularly with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to communicate are:

- Farnsworth School Website
- Phone Calls and/or Emails
- Automated Call
- Newsletters
- Teachers will give parents their school phone number and email at the start of the school year.

Do you have questions about your child's progress? Parents can contact their child's teacher.

Farnsworth Aerospace PreK-4



Family-School Compact for Achievement

3rd-4th Grade Focus for Student Success



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SPPS Achieves Long Term Outcomes

- Decrease disparities in achievement 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

More information at spps.org/scip

MCA—Reading SMART Goal:

The percentage of 3rd and 4th grade students scoring proficient or higher in reading will increase from **32.8% to 36%** by Spring 2020 as measured by the MCA.

MCA—Math SMART Goal:

The percentage of 3rd and 4th grade students scoring proficient or higher in math will increase from **36.9% to 40%** by Spring 2020 as measured by the MCA.

Teachers, Parents, Students— Together for Success

Teacher Section

The 3rd and 4th grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- Our monthly newsletter will feature activities to support learning at home.
- The Farnsworth home page and teacher web page has links to family friendly websites for building vocabulary and math skills: <https://www.spps.org/farnsworth>
- Support Family Nights
- Collaborate with families about educational decisions
- Assisting your child in choosing “Just Right” books for nightly reading

At Home

Farnsworth Aerospace parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support student's success in reading and math.

- Have fun with math. Include your child in real-life uses of basic facts.
- Assist your child as they memorize basic math facts.
- Monitor your child as they practice math skills on learning apps – Moby Max and iXL if you have internet access.
- Have your child read 20-30 minutes nightly and have them share what they read.
- Try to attend Family Fun nights or get information from the FSO or my child's teacher if we can't attend.
- Play word games with the new vocabulary words and find ways to use these words in family conversations.
- Look for the class newsletter each month and check out the school

Parent Involvement Guide

Farnsworth staff and parents developed ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math and reading. Parents thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Volunteer/attend school family events, conferences, field trips, classrooms and FSO
- Utilize school resources: Farnsworth website, Farnsworth newsletter, class newsletters
- Connect and communicate with your child's teacher regularly for information on: reading and math goals, class assignments, school/class events and with incorporating ways to engage students at home
- At home: Limit screen time, make sure your child gets adequate sleep every night and take advantage of teachable moments

