## As Teachers, we will.....

# In the classroom, teachers will support students by...

- Providing quality instruction
- Maintaining a safe and respectful classroom
- Communicating progress to students and parents
- Making learning engaging, meaningful, and individualized
- Communicating expectations clearly
- Promoting student independence and agency
- Allowing for collaborative experiences
- Meeting the needs of all learners

## As families, we can support by .....

# At home, parents will support students by...

- Reading and discussing the school's student handbook and other school related communications with their child
- Communicating important information to classroom teacher
- Committing to daily attendance and punctuality
- Setting aside daily reading time and establishing a set homework routine
- Check student progress through Powerschool
- Discuss academic goals with students, and encourage conversations

#### **Working Together for Student Success**

#### Pledge for Excellence....

- Teachers and administrators came together to develop a compact for Stafford Public Schools. The reading and math interventionists, as well as district leaders, proposed a compact based on the needs of the district.
- Together we will strive to continuously reflect on our progress and reassess our goals.
- Parents should feel free to reach out to any of our Title 1 team for more information, or to provide feedback on the compact.
- Parents can find contact information below.

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# Stafford Middle School Parent and Student Compact Grade 6



Title 1 School-Parent Compact Focus for Student Success



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#### Stafford Public Schools



#### District Goals

It is the mission of the Stafford Public Schools, to provide a comprehensive literacy program that is rigorous and supports 21st century learning. In an effort to meet the demands of the common core standards, Stafford Public Schools immerses students in a balanced literacy approach. This means, students engage in all sorts of activities throughout the course of the day to build on all components of language development including speaking, listening, reading, and writing experiences. It is our goal to ensure a high quality foundational and core program that meets the needs of all learners.

#### Meeting the Needs of all Learners

It is the mission of SPS to systematically gather and analyze evidence of student performance to ensure continuous progress toward the goals of the educational program. The district works to continue the implementation of its SRBI Program.

#### **Academic and Behavioral Goals**

- -Increase student reading proficiency
- -Increase student math proficiency
- -Promote positive student interactions and school climate.

# When Can We Connect With You? Home/School Communication

#### Working Together ....

- ~Communicating between home and school via email, phone contact
- ~Check Powerschool regularly and talk with students and teachers about personal goals
- ~Participating in school activities through volunteering and/or attendance at school events
- ~Reinforcing teacher expectations at home (homework and school rules)
- ~Readily communicating with school personnel about issues that could affect student performance, such as changes in health or home life
- ~Reading regularly at home and visiting the library ~Be a role model and make time for your own personal reading

# Let's Celebrate!

Families will be invited throughout the year to share in their children's learning. Families will have opportunities to celebrate student learning through end of unit celebrations, field trips, and special events throughout the year. Here are just a few:

- ~Open House Night
- ~Special Assemblies
- ~Class Trips
- ~Concerts
- ~Curriculum Celelbrations

#### Literacy/Writing Skills

- ~Analyze a variety of text and determine how parts of the text contribute to the development of ideas and themes
- ~Use a variety of techniques to make use of elaborate diagrams and data to convey information
- ~Evaluate arguments and claims in written materials.
- ~Distinguish between claims that are supported by evidence and those that are not
- ~Presenting claims in an orderly fashion while emphasizing the main ideas and/or themes
- ~Write arguments that examine a topic and include relevant facts, details, and quotations.
- ~Conducting short research projects to answer a question and focus on research findings
- ~Review and paraphrase key ideas and multiple perspectives
- ~Recognize variations to standard English in all modes of literacy
- ~Determine correct meaning of a word based on context.

#### **Building Better Problem Solvers**

- ~Understand ratios and rates, and solving problems involving proportional relations
- ~Divide fractions and solve related word problems
- ~Use both positive and negative numbers to describe quantity; understand and order absolute values
- ~Work with variables and expressions by generalizing the way numbers work
- ~Understand and use the process to solve simple equations
- ~Write equations in order to solve problems and describe relationships
- ~Reason about relationships between shapes in order to determine area, surface area, and volume