



West Hills STEM Academy Bremerton School District

Title I Parent Involvement

At West Hills STEM Academy, we recognize that parents are the most important teachers of their children. We are committed to providing a variety of opportunities for parent involvement. This compact outlines how we will work together in partnership to support your child and includes updated information on attendance and our peaceful schools initiative. Please feel free to add/revise information as needed for your child. We thank you so much for your willingness to work together to provide a positive educational experience for your child and family.

Attendance and Parent Notification

Second Substitute House Bill 2449 (2SHB 2449) established new requirements for school districts regarding informing parents about attendance and forming and training community truancy boards. Districts are responsible for implementing several new procedures.

Districts must inform parents and obtain parent signatures to verify they have received the following information:

- Benefits of regular school attendance.
- Potential effects of excessive absenteeism, whether excused or unexcused, on academic achievement and graduation and dropout rates.
- School's expectations of the parents and guardians to ensure regular school attendance by the child.
- Resources available to assist the child and the parents and guardians.
- Role and responsibilities of the school.
- Consequences of truancy, including compulsory education requirements.

Peaceful Schools Initiative

Bremerton School District is launching a new Initiative at the preschool and elementary level and we would appreciate your support.

We are calling it: Peaceful Schools; It Starts With Us!

We know that in order to raise achievement and help children reach their college and career goals, we need to provide both a rigorous academic and social and emotional climate in which all children are able to learn and grow. You will see our commitment included in this teacher/parent compact.

If you would like more information, please log onto our web site www.bremertonschools.org

Please return to your student's teacher. Thank you!



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Parent – School Compact

School: We promise to provide the following:

- *A calm and nurturing environment, where children and adults are respectful, responsible and safe.*
- *Consistent procedures and routines.*
- *We will continue to learn and apply instructional strategies to support academic and social and emotional competence.*

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): We (I) promise to do the following:

- *Monitor/help with my child's homework.*
- *Limit my child's screen time.*
- *Encourage my child to read.*
- *Make sure my child attends school every day, unless he/she is sick.*
- *Ensure that my child goes to bed at a time that allows them to be rested and ready for school the next morning.*
- *Communicate with my child everyday about his/her school day.*
- *Support our schools by modeling these positive behaviors when on the school campus or bus stop;*
- *Support and encourage other family members to do the same when on school grounds/volunteering.*

It is important to note that this is not a judgment on how families support their child's social and emotional development at home. Families may vary on their expectations on behavior in their own environment. We are asking that you help us support transforming our school culture into a positive, calm and respectful climate of learning.

Parent's/Guardian's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Students, parents, and staff all share responsibility for student learning. By reading and signing this compact of shared responsibilities, we can better understand how everyone contributes to student success and we agree to collaboratively support the students and the West Hills STEM Academy community.