



Power Center Academy Middle School – Hickory Hill

5449 Winchester Road
Memphis, TN 38122

School - Parent Compact

Vision: Gestalt Community Schools' vision is building better communities through education.

Mission: The mission of Gestalt Community Schools is to leverage community assets to empower citizens who will be college-ready, career-ready, and community-ready. We will achieve this mission by providing scholars with an exceptional educational program defined by rigorous curriculum standards, high expectations for academic achievement, integrated technology, and community service.

Our Core Values

- **Achievement:** We strive for excellence in the classroom and in the community.
- **Community:** We believe collaboration is key to personal growth and neighborhood revitalization.
- **Humility:** We know the work we do is bigger than us. We are accountable to our scholars, our peers, and the neighborhoods we serve.
- **Innovation:** We strive to evolve faster than the world around us. We can be our best only if we are willing to re-evaluate and refine what we do.
- **Zeal:** We believe the core of our drive to succeed is derived from our compassion for the communities we serve.

Our Shared Commitment to Scholar Success

We, the staff of Power Center Academy Middle School – Hickory Hill, the parents of the scholars attending this school, and the scholars themselves, agree to work together to ensure the academic success and well-being of every scholar. We understand that a strong partnership between home and school is essential for scholar achievement. Power Center Academy Middle School- Hickory Hill campus qualifies to receive federal funds under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2000, Title 1, Part A, for this school year. Schools may consolidate and use funds under Title I, together with other federal funds, to upgrade the entire educational program in schools in which not less than 40% of the children enrolled from low- income families. Our Title I program will provide parents with opportunities throughout the year to learn how to help their child/children academically.

SCHOOL RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Provide a Safe and Supportive Learning Environment:**
 - Maintain a safe, welcoming, and inclusive school environment.
 - Provide opportunities for scholars to grow academically, socially, and emotionally.
- **High-Quality Instruction:**
 - Provide high-quality instruction that is engaging, challenging, and meets the needs of all scholars.
 - Regularly assess scholar progress and provide feedback to parents and scholars.
- **Effective Communication:**
 - Communicate regularly with parents about scholar progress, school events, and opportunities for involvement.
 - Provide multiple channels for parents to communicate with teachers and school staff.
- **Family Engagement:**

- Offer workshops, events, and resources to support parents in helping their child succeed academically.
- Encourage and welcome parent involvement in school activities and decision-making processes. Provide parents with responsive access to staff, to volunteer, participate, and observe in their child's class.
- Provide multiple opportunities for parent/ teacher conferences
- **Respect and Support:**
 - Treat all scholars and families with respect, dignity, and fairness.
 - Provide support and resources for scholars and families facing challenges that may impact learning. Also, encourages teachers and students to always respect self, others, and property

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Support Learning at Home:**
 - Ensure that scholars attend school regularly and on time.
 - Establish a daily routine for homework, reading, and studying.
 - Encourage my child to be a good listener and verbalize his/her problems and misunderstandings.
- **Communicate with the School:**
 - Stay informed about school events, policies, and scholar progress.
 - Communicate regularly with teachers and school staff about any concerns or questions. Return report cards and attend parent conferences
 - Build strong partnership with teachers
- **Support School Policies:**
 - Review and reinforce school rules and policies with scholars.
 - Encourage positive behavior and respect for others.
- **Volunteer and Participate:**
 - Volunteer at school events and participate in parent-teacher conferences and meetings. Families should complete at least 5 hours of community service each year. Volunteer to support scholar activities and experiences.
 - Join the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) and be an active member.
- **Promote a Love for Learning:**
 - Encourage scholars to take responsibility for their learning and to strive for academic excellence.
 - Support and motivate scholars to explore their interests and talents.

SCHOLAR RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Active Participation:**
 - Attend school regularly and on time, ready to learn.
 - Actively participate in class, ask questions, and seek help when needed.
- **Respect and Responsibility:**
 - Treat teachers, staff, and peers with respect and kindness.
 - Take responsibility for actions and behavior, both in school and in the community.
- **Academic Engagement:**
 - Complete homework assignments and study for tests and quizzes.
 - Set academic goals and work towards achieving them.
- **Positive Attitude:**
 - Approach learning with a positive attitude and a willingness to try new things.
 - Persevere through challenges and seek help when needed.

Our Commitment

We, the undersigned, pledge to uphold our respective responsibilities as outlined in this Parent-School Compact. Together, we will create a supportive and enriching learning environment that promotes the success of every scholar.

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Scholar Signature: _____ Date: _____

Administrator/Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Other Signature: _____ Date: _____