



FERNDALE AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parents:

The Ferndale Area School District is committed to working in partnership with the parents in a variety of ways.

One specific area of cooperation is the schoolwide Title I program, formerly known as Chapter I. With that in mind, The Ferndale Area School Board has adopted a policy of dialogue between the home and school. This policy, which is attached, encourages parental involvement in the educational programs in our district. We encourage you to work with us in the schoolwide Title I program.

Enclosed please find a copy of a School-Parent Compact, which lists specific ways in which we can work together. The first compact documents the school's responsibilities to our students. The entire staff has endorsed this compact. The next page lists student responsibilities in the educational process. We ask you review the student compact with your child and have your child sign it and return it to school. The final page contains the parent compact. Please review the information contained on the compact and return it to school.

I would like to thank you for your support and cooperation of our schoolwide Title I program in the Ferndale Area School District.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Ferndale Area Elementary School at 535-6724.

Sincerely,

Dr. William Brotz
Elementary Principal

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SCHOOL COMPACT

The Ferndale Area School District will provide high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that will enable success for every student and:

1. Will treat each child with dignity and respect.
2. Strive to address the individual needs of each student.
3. Acknowledges that parents are vital to the success of this school and its students.
4. Provide a safe, positive and healthy learning environment for each student.
5. Will assure every student access to quality learning experiences appropriate to their development.
6. Will assure that school staff communicates clear expectations for performance to both students and parents.
7. Will assure appropriate participation of parents in the decisions relating to the education of their children.

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STUDENT COMPACT

I realize that my education is important. I know that I am responsible for my own success. Therefore, I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

1. Get to school on time every day.
2. Develop a positive attitude about school.
3. Return completed homework on time.
4. Be a cooperative learner and carry out the teacher's instructions and directions.
5. Ask for help, when needed.
6. Be respectful to school personnel, other students and school property.
7. Participate in appropriate extra-curricular activities.

STUDENT SIGNATURE _____

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PARENT COMPACT

I realize the importance of working cooperatively with the school. I understand that my participation in my child's education will help his/her achievement and attitude. Therefore, I join with the Ferndale Area School District by carrying out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

1. Create an atmosphere that supports learning by encouraging reading activities.
2. Send my child to school regularly, on time, well fed, and well rested.
3. Monitor assignments and encourage homework completion.
4. Review all school communications and respond promptly.
5. Attend school functions and conferences, when available.
6. Encourage my child to demonstrate respect for school personnel, his/her classmates and school property
7. Participate in decisions relating to the education of my child.

PARENT SIGNATURE _____