

W.B. Saul High School School-Parent Compact 2019-2020 School Year Revision Date: 04/11/2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

# JOINTLY DEVELOPED

**WALTER BIDDLE SAUL HIGH SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE** and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A, agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.

To understand how working together can benefit your child, it is first important to understand the district's and school's goals for student academic achievement.

## THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF PHILADELPHIA ANCHOR GOALS:

- 1. 100% of students will graduate, ready for college and career.
- 2. 100% of 8-year-olds will read on grade level.
- 3. 100% of schools will have great principals and teachers.
- 4. SDP will have 100% of the funding we need for great schools, and zero deficit.

## W.B. Saul High School GOALS:

- At least 75% of 9th grade students will be on track to earn a minimum of 5 quality credits.
- At least 95% of 12th grade students will be on track for graduation.
- At least 60% of students will attend 95% or more of school days, and no more than 15% of students will attend less than 85% of days.
- At least 90% of students will have 0 out-of-school suspensions.

To help your child meet the district and school goals, the school, you, and your child will work together:

## SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

W.B. Saul High School will:

- Hold parent-teacher conferences during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement.
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.
- Provide parents with reasonable access to staff.
- Provide parents with opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities.
- Hold monthly Home & School Association Meetings that include teacher-led topics such as "How to Navigate the Parent Portal", "How to Monitor Your Child's Use of Technology", "How to Talk to Your Child About Alcohol & Drugs".

#### PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We, as parents, will:

- Create an atmosphere that supports learning by encouraging reading activities.
- Send my child to school regularly, on time, well fed, and well rested.
- Monitor assignments and encourage homework completion.
- Review all school communications and respond promptly.
- Attend school functions and conferences.
- Encourage my child to demonstrate respect for school personnel, their classmates, and school property.
- Participate in decisions relating to the education of my child.

### STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We as students, will:

- Attend school daily and on time.
- Develop a positive attitude towards school.
- Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.
- Complete and turn in all assignments on time.
- Be a cooperative engaged learner and carry out the teacher's instructions and directions.
- Ask for help when needed and take responsibility for learning.
- Be respectful to school personnel, other students and school property.
- Give to my parents or guardian all notices and information received by me from my school every day.
- Participate in extracurricular activities.

### **COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:**

W.B. Saul High School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Monthly Calendar, email and phone communications
- Interim reports
- Academic reports upon parent request
- Benchmarks and Acuity testing results
- Staff members are available to parents by appointments
- Staff members are available to parents during Back to School Night
- Staff members are available to parents during the report card conferences
- Staff members are available to parents through email and telephone

## **ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:**

W.B. Saul High School offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

- Volunteer in classrooms
- Volunteer in School Store
- Volunteer during Fall Harvest
- Volunteer as Chaperone for class trips
- Join the SAC team and attend monthly meetings
- Attend quarterly Teacher-Student Led Agriculture Workshops for Parents
- Provide Title I required meetings prior to special events to increase parent participation.