

What is a School-Family Compact?

A *School-Family Compact for Achievement* is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how families and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer, observe and participate in the classroom

Jointly Developed

The families, students and staff of West Bristol School developed this School-Family Compact for Achievement. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific and students told us what would help them learn.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments and ideas at any time

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe please contact **West Bristol PTO** at west-bridolpto@yahoo.com or visit our school Web site and click on the **PTO Button**.

Building Partnerships

- Join the PTO
- Visit the Family Resource Center
- Blackboard Connect

Communication about Student Learning

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

- Email
- Power School Parent Pages
- Remind.com or Remind App
- Phone

Do you have questions about your child's progress?
Contact your child's teacher by phone (860-584-7815) or email. E-mail addresses are on the school web site at www.bristolk12.ct.us

West Bristol K-8 SCHOOL-FAMILY COMPACT FOR ACHIEVEMENT 2019-2020

7th Grade



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Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goals

By June 2019 all students will be at grade level or higher in both math and reading. We achieve these goals by:

- ensuring that all students learn in a community of highly committed, dynamic and passionate individuals;
- improving central office and building systems, organizational structures and services to foster a safe and positive learning environment, and utilize resources most efficiently;
- expanding and increasing community partnerships that meet in and out of school needs of students and families in order to improve student outcomes;
- putting students at the center of their learning to guarantee they have the knowledge, skills, voice and social emotional skills to be successful in post secondary learning, career, and life.

More specifically, Bristol Public Schools will:

- design opportunities for learning that reflect high expectations for all students;
- guarantee challenging, engaging, and intentional instruction;
- Ensure that students are achieving through frequent progress monitoring of formal and informal assessments and find pathways for students to succeed;
- provide children with academic and social-emotional supports within a safe and positive school climate; and
- encourage students to attend school routinely and to miss only when absolutely necessary.

West Bristol School Goals

By June 2020 state school goal in math and reading:

Our instructional focus will be:

- To improve the learning opportunities for all students through comprehensive unit planning, assessment and instruction.
- Develop a warm and caring learning environment where all students feel safe and welcome.

Teachers, Families, Students—Together for Success

In our 7th Grade Classroom

The 7th grade team will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and math.

Some of our key connections will be:

- Provide opportunities to have independent reading materials for students to bring home.
- Providing opportunities to real-life connections to content area curriculum.
- Encourage and invite parent participation to foster a team approach for student success.
- Encourage use of daily planner to be utilized as an organizational and communicative tool.

At Home

West Bristol School families joined staff to develop ideas on how families can support students' success in reading and math.

- Encourage your child to read from multiple sources, including newspapers, magazines, internet articles, recipes, and directions.
- Daily communication with your child regarding current topics of studies in school.
- Create a space and provide necessary materials for successful completion of school work.
- Develop a plan to meet the technological demands of your child's studies: public library, Boys and Girls Club, friends or family, etc.

West Bristol Students

West Bristol School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas on how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math and reading. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and at school.

- Grocery Shopping—make lists, budget, find sale items, determine unit prices, and reading labels
- Cooking/Baking—reading recipes and learning how to measure
- Woodworking—reading directions and blueprints, measuring
- Video Games—learn to strategize and campaign missions

My learning goal is: _____

I can reach it _____