

The Classical Academy Charter School of Clifton, Inc.

Title I 'Student---Teacher---Parent Compact'

NCLB Education Act of 2001 requires each school that operates a 'Title I' program or has students meeting Title I requirements, to work with parents of Title I students to create a school compact. It is important that families and schools (teachers and school administration) work together to help students achieve high academic standards. Through a thorough application of the Classical Academy's rules and procedures, policies and practices, which have proved for well over a decade to assist greatly in enabling Title I students to achieve high academic standards and results, and through a process that includes teachers, parents, students, and community representatives, the following enumerated precepts are elements of this 'Compact.'

Family/Parent Pledge:

I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- Monitor my child's TV and Computer (social networking) habits and limit time spent with these pastimes.
- Do not permit my middle-school child to have a 'Facebook' account
- Read and follow the 'Tips' for achieving academic success from Classical Academy teachers sent to all parents at the beginning of each school year
- Provide a quiet time and place for homework
- Limit my child's 'outside of school activities' if such activities and the time spent on them are interfering with the quality of my child's school work and are having an adverse affect on my child's school grades
- If teachers inform me that my child is regularly not doing homework, I shall examine and sign each piece of homework my child does before going to school
- Regularly monitor my child's school progress by contacting teachers on a regular basis
- Review carefully (and keep on file) my child's grades from school which are sent to me every 6 to 7 weeks from the Classical Academy
- Communicate and constantly reinforce to my child the importance of learning and earning good school grades now and in the future
- Review and discuss with my child all aspects and provisions in the Classical Academy's 'Code of Student Conduct' including the school's 'HIB' policies
- Respect your child's teachers as caring professionals who are helping your child acquire the skills and habits of work and determination which will help your child become a successful adult

Student Pledge:

I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- Come to school each day determined to work hard at my studies and earn the best academic grades I can earn.

- Follow all the rules and regulations for good personal conduct and positive peer interrelations as outlined in the Classical Academy's 'Code of Student Conduct'
- Always exhibit the desired classroom conduct as detailed in the 'Code of Student Conduct' and obey full any classroom rules my teachers establish for good classroom behavior. Always follow the Classical Academy's 'Golden Rule' for classroom conduct: "Never act in a way which interferes with the teacher's ability to teach or interferes with my classmates' ability to learn."
- Set aside time every day to do my homework and do all or as much of my homework for all my 7 academic classes each evening and, if assigned, on weekends as well.
- Limit my time watching TV and playing Computer games or limit time on Facebook or using other forms of social 'networking.'
- If I am having trouble with learning a subject, course, topic, or trouble in meeting the expectations of teachers, I shall discuss this with the teacher(s), school principal, and my parents.
- As Classical Academy students soon learn upon entering the school, the two most important elements of a successful Classical Academy student are: 1) earning good grades and 2) obeying all portions of the school's 'Code of Student Conduct.' I pledge to do my best in attaining success, if not distinction, in both these elements of my Classical Academy education.

Teacher Pledge:

I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- Do my utmost and use all my professional skills to enable all students in my classes to learn and to make measurable progress in skills attainment and expansion of knowledge
- To communicate to students that earning good grades in school and gaining knowledge continually are among life's most important achievements
- In my instruction I shall strive to motivate the unmotivated, and to challenge the more superior.
- In my instruction I shall strive to create interesting, meaningful, skill-building/knowledge expanding lessons and use methods productive of these objectives.
- Communicate to and meet with parents as soon as any of my students:
 - a) is not reaching my expectations or what I deem 'minimum standards',
 - b) is failing or earning low test grades,
 - c) is deficient in submitting homework regularly
- * Follow all administrative rules, practices, and policies established to assist teachers in their efforts to realize high levels of student achievement, good conduct in the classroom and in the school environment, and student motivation for success in school.

Signatures:

Student and Date

Teacher and Date

Parent and Date