

## 2011 ~ 2012 SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

The St. Johnsbury School and the parents of students jointly agree that this compact outlines how parents, staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and develop and grow a partnership that will help The SJS students achieve the standards set by the State of Vermont.



### ***St. Johnsbury School Responsibilities***

#### **The St. Johnsbury School will:**

- Convene an annual meeting during a convenient time in which all parents/ guardians are invited. We will share our school-wide participation in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), and explain parents/guardians rights under these laws and provisions;
- Offer flexible times, transportation, and childcare for informational and other meetings and activities to ensure parental participation;
- Establish a committee of parents, school personnel, and other interagency programs (such as Head Start, Building Bright Futures, etc.) to review the parent involvement plan;
- Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the SJS students to meet the state's academic achievement standards as outlined in the SJS Action & School Wide Improvement Plan;
- Utilize the Parent-Teachers Organization (PTO) to assist in parent program development, access, and communication;
- Schedule parent-teacher conferences in October and April;
- Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress on a quarterly or trimester basis;
- Provide parents reasonable access to staff before and after school;
- Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, observe classroom activities, and participate in field trips;
- Make communication with parents a top priority by encouraging frequent contact in various formats including the Website, Friday Folders, the K-12 Alerts® system, newsletters, parent forums, community dinners, performances, academic fairs, etc.

### **Parent Responsibilities**

#### **Parents will:**

- Stay informed about child's education and correspond with the school by promptly reading and responding to notices;
- Communicate any concerns with the school in a timely manner;
- Ensure that homework is completed;
- Monitor amount of television children watch;
- Volunteer in child's classroom or other activity;
- Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to child's education;
- Promote positive use of child's extracurricular time;
- Serve, to the extent possible, in parent groups or evening activities;
- Monitor absences and tardiness;

- Read, share, and support the contents of the Parent-Student Handbook with our children.

The St. Johnsbury School Parent Compact is also available at [www.stjbsd.org](http://www.stjbsd.org)!

### **Student Responsibilities**

#### **Students will:**

- Do homework every day and ask for help when needed;
- Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time;
- Give parents all notices and information received from school every day;
- Follow school rules as outlined in the Parent - School Handbook;
- Be accountable socially and academically.

*Signatures indicate that you have read the 2010-2011  
Parent -School Compact and the Parent -Student Handbook.*

Thank you! We are looking forward to a successful year!  
As always, if you have any questions, please stop in or give me a call.

Sincerely,

Bernice Burroughs, Principal/General Operations  
Dr. Martha Dubuque, Principal/Instruction

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Signatures for 2011-2012 Parent - School Compact

**We** have read the 2011-2012 *Parent -School Compact* and the *Parent -Student Handbook*.

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Parent(s)

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Student(s)

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