Dear Parent/Guardian,

JOINTLY DEVELOPED

The Bridesburg School-Parent Compact is in effect during the 2021-2022 school year. A virtual parent input meeting was held on April 21, 2021, to give parents the opportunity to provide input into the development of the Compact for achievement. Parents partnered to provide suggestions and comments to update this policy. Teachers suggested continued virtual home learning strategies, parents added input about the types of support they needed, and students told us what would help them learn. Parents are encouraged to attend scheduled SAC meetings throughout the school year to continually review the compact and make suggestions based on student needs and school improvement goals. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the School Family Engagement survey that is also used as a tool to collect parent feedback regarding the current Title I programs, policies and family engagement.

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 Board of Education’s updated Goals and Guardrails are available on the School District Website at www.philasd.org.

Bridesburg Elementary GOALS

A sample school goal with an academic focus area:
Perfect Elementary School will increase the percentage of students reading on grade level by five percentage points as measured on the PSSA.

Grade Level Focus area:
- Kindergarten: Phonics – letter names and sounds
- 1st Grade: Read for fluency

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

SCHOOL/TEACHER RESPONSIBILITIES:

Bridesburg Elementary will:
Bridesburg School staff will continue to utilize data driven instruction and collaborate with other educators to provide high-quality instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State’s student academic achievement standards.

Hold parent-teacher conferences three times during the year to give parents the opportunity to monitor their child’s progress and gain strategies for supporting student learning at home.

Provide parents with frequent reports on their children’s progress, including interim reports during each marking period and report card conferences.

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.

PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

We, as parents, will:

Monitor attendance by supporting the school-wide attendance incentive programs.

Make sure that homework is completed by checking the homework folders nightly.

Monitor the utilization and content of social media.

Monitor the amount of time on computers/game systems by placing boundaries on the type and amount of time the students is on gaming and computer systems.

Volunteer in my child’s classroom after receiving the necessary background checks.

Participate, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my child’s education.

Promote the positive use of my child’s extracurricular time.

Staying informed about my child’s education and communicating with the school by promptly reading all notices for the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate. Parents are invited to attend monthly SAC and Home and School Meetings to stay informed and participate in school improvement.

STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES:

Bridesburg Student Pledge: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready to Learn and Be Safe.

Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.

Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.

Be responsible with school computer equipment.

Give to my parents all notices and information received by me from my school every day.

Be present and on time for school every day. No excuses.

Be responsible and maintain school equipment/computer.

COMMUNICATION ABOUT STUDENT LEARNING:

Bridesburg Elementary 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:
All communication listed below will be sent in parent-friendly language. Translations into languages spoken at home are available in partnership with the School District’s Family and Community Engagement office. Automated Phone Messages will go out every Friday alerting families to upcoming weekly events and announcements. Monthly Calendars and Newsletters will be provided as a method of communication identifying events scheduled for the month. Conferences will be held every marking period to address teacher and parental concerns on a student’s academic achievement. Emails to parents will go out on an as needed basis to help in communication. ClassDojo will be utilized per classroom to give daily feedback on assignments and progress. Weekly communication folders to include any necessary information for parents. Student agendas with students’ assignments and upcoming schedules. Text messages with informational alerts.

ACTIVITIES TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS:

Bridesburg Elementary offers ongoing events and programs to build partnerships with families.

Back to School event
Kindergarten Open House
Monthly School Advisory Council meetings
Parent/Family workshops
Fall, Winter, Spring Title I Parental Input Meeting
Volunteer Orientation and volunteer opportunities
Parent and Family Resource Table across from the Main Office
School Tours
Various school-wide events such as art shows, field day, etc.