

## What is a School-Family Compact?

A School-Family Compact is a written commitment describing how all members of a school community (parents/family members, staff, and students) agree to share responsibility for student learning. This compact helps bridge the learning connection between school and home.

Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Share strategies that staff, families and students can use to improve student learning
- Share strategies families can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents/family members will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents/family members to observe, and participate in the classroom

## Communication About Student Learning

Norcross High School is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about student learning. Some of the ways we can foster effective communication include:

- Parent Portal
- Blue Devil Bulletin—School Newsletter
- School website : [www.norcrosshigh.org](http://www.norcrosshigh.org)
- Six Weeks Progress Reports
- Phone and E-mail Blast
- Flyers, School Marquee
- Parent Teacher Conferences

## Norcross High School Parent Center

(located on the main hallway)

Parents may visit our Parent Center at any time.

Hours: Monday-Friday 7 AM to 3 PM

Please contact: Elizabeth Morales, 770.326.8748

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## Activities to Build Partnerships

August 3, 2017	7:30am	Meet Your Teacher
August 14, 2017	6:30pm	Title I Planning Meeting
August 24, 2017	6:30pm	Curriculum Night
August 31, 2017	6:30pm	The Importance of Parent Attendance
September 7, 2017	6:30pm	Senior Parent Night
September 12, 2017	6:00 PM	District Title I Parent Meeting Location: Lilburn Library 4817 Church St. NW, Lilburn GA 30047
September 14, 2017	9:00 AM	District Title I Parent Meeting Location: Central Gwinnett High School
September 18, 2017	6:30pm	Title I Annual Parent Meeting
September 21, 2017	9:00am	Title I Annual Parent Meeting
October 5, 2017	6:30pm	Title I: How do I help my child succeed in Science & Social Studies?
November 9, 2017	5:30pm	Georgia Student Finance Commission
November 9, 2017	6:30pm	College Fair
January 11, 2018	6:30pm	Title I Academic Awareness Night
January 21, 2018	6:30pm	Transition to Norcross High School
February 21, 2018	6:30pm	Title I: How do I help my child succeed in Math & Language Arts?
March 27, 2018	7:30am	District Title I Parent Meeting Location: Sweetwater Middle School
March 29, 2018	6:00pm	District Title I Parent Meeting Location: Five Forks Trickum Library

### School Mission

The mission of Norcross High School is to engage each student in a higher level of learning, resulting in measured improvement against local, National and world-class standards.

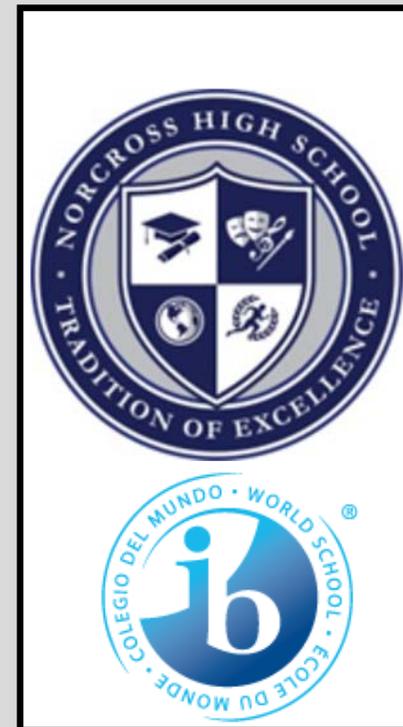
### School Vision

Norcross High School is committed to excellence in education where a collaborative learning community equips students with the knowledge, skills and behavior to be successful in a competitive world.

At Norcross High School, we offer parents volunteer opportunities and the ability to schedule classroom observations through contacting the teacher directly or coordination through the PIC.



## Norcross High School School-Family Compact 2017–2018



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*Our school, families, students, and other stakeholders were involved in the joint-development of this School-Family Compact.*

## Norcross High School School-Family Compact

Dear Family,

This compact outlines how the parents/family members, the entire school staff, and the students will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement at Norcross High School. This compact also describes how the school and families will build and develop a partnership to help students achieve the State's high academic standards.

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

### Goals of Gwinnett County Public Schools:

Language Arts: All students will graduate as analytical readers, writers, and communicators of language.

Math: Students are not only expected to become proficient in appropriate computational skills, but also to be actively involved in constructing and applying mathematical ideas.

Science: Students will develop a strong content understanding in the earth, life, and physical sciences as well as develop problem-solving and critical-thinking skills.

Social Studies: Students will develop a strong understanding of themselves and their role and responsibility in society by discovering the heritage of their nation within a global context.

At Norcross High School we will provide all students with high quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment.

## Teachers, Families, and Students - Working Together to Achieve Success

### Goals of Norcross High School:

Norcross High School's student performance for first time testers on the Gateway Science and Social Studies exams will increase to exceed the district average.

### Area of Focus: Literacy to include writing across the curriculum

Teachers, students, and parents worked together to develop ideas that will support student success. To help your child meet the district and school goals, it is necessary for the school, your child, and you to work together.

#### At Norcross High School, we will...

- Host literacy workshops to provide parents with writing assessment information, as well as a rubric to use with students as they practice written responses to document based questions at home
- Provide examples of non-fiction texts to parents and teach them how to select other forms of non-fiction text for students to practice reading at home.
- Offer parents the use of resources for check-out through the Parent Center, in addition to one-on-one assistance by the Parent Instructional Clerk.

#### As students of Norcross High School, we will...

- Use the writing rubric to self assess our performance and our ability to create responses that are organized, use proper grammar and contain accurate content knowledge
- Read informational text at least 30 minutes a week outside of class and use strategies learned in class to comprehend
- Use resources checked out from the Parent Center to practice writing constructed responses and improve reading comprehension.

### As Parents, we will...

- Attend Literacy Workshops offered at NHS and incorporate strategies and resources that I learn into activities at home
- Ensure that my student is reading 30 minutes a week of non-fiction text at home and encourage my student to write about what they are reading, using a rubric to practice writing constructed responses to document based questions in their core classes
- Visit the Parent Center to find resources to help my student improve writing constructed responses to document based questions in all core content subjects.

### Teachers, Parents, and Students

#### Working Together to Achieve Success

The teachers, parents, and students of Norcross High School, developed the School-Parent Compact.

All parents are invited to be involved in the development and revision of the School-Parent Compact. The Compact is written and reviewed annually with input and feedback from parents, teachers, business partners and other stakeholders at the Title I Planning Meeting and document review opportunities.

Compacts are revisited during parent/teacher meetings and periodically throughout the school year.

This compact is uniquely developed to meet the needs and goals of our school and students.

Parents can provide feedback on the compact at anytime during the school year. Please call Elizabeth Morales, Parent Instructional Clerk at 770-326-8748.