

What is a Family-School Compact?

A Family-School Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students get the individual support they need to reach and exceed grade level standards.

Effective Compacts:

- 🌐 **Begin** with standards,
- 🌐 **Focus** on student learning,
- 🌐 **Respond** to school data,
- 🌐 **Define** everyone's responsibilities – and
- 🌐 **Depend** on us to believe in it and use it!

Activities to Build Partnerships

We will have exciting learning adventures this year:

- 🌐 **Open House**
- 🌐 **Learning Math using Common Core Standards**
- 🌐 **EQ Retreat**
- 🌐 **Career Day/college day**
- 🌐 **High Schools That Work with Community**
- 🌐 **Student Internship w/Community Businesses**
- 🌐 **Thanks for Popping In/Science Dept.**
- 🌐 **English & Math/Vocational Nights**
- 🌐 **Culinary Arts Participation/collaboration**

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2016-2017 Parent/Teacher Compact for Achievement

School Wide Focus



For Student

TAOS HIGH SCHOOL

Student's Signature _____

Parent's Signature _____

Teacher's Signature _____

Jointly Developed

The parents and staff of Taos High School developed this Family-School Compact for Achievement. Parents created the suggestions for home activities to support learning. School-wide meetings are held each year to update the Compact.

Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

For more information on Taos High School's Compact, please contact Mr. Robert V. Trujillo, Principal at 575-751-8002

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Communication about Student Learning

Taos High School is committed to communicating regularly with families about their child's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to communicate are:

- 🌐 **Web/Newsletters/Flyers**
- 🌐 **Letters and Phones as needed**
- 🌐 **School Reach (Phone Messenger)**

Do you have questions about your child's progress?

Parents can contact their child's teacher by phone at 575-751-8000

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Our Goals for Student Achievement

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District Goals

The Taos Municipal Schools sets goals for the entire district. The district goals for 2014-2015 are:

Reading - all students will show a 15% increase in reading proficiency as measured on the New Mexico Standards Based Assessment (NMSBA).

Math – all students will show a 15% increase in mathematics as measured on the New Mexico Standards Based Assessment (NMSBA).

TAOS HIGH SCHOOL'S GOALS

Taos High School's Leadership Team studied our student performance data to decide on the most important areas of improvement for our school.

Reading – To increase reading proficiency by 10% over three years. Our school will concentrate on the following areas:

- Create literature-based units of exploration
- Organize Emotional Intelligence activities for students.
- Offer literature based reading and writing assignments aligned with Common Core Standards.

Math – To increase math proficiency by 10% over three years. Our school will concentrate on the following areas:

- Students will reach target scores based on short cycle assessments.
- Common Core Standards and Math Practices will guide our curriculum.
- Utilize Learning Targets to aid students with

Teachers, Parents, Students – Together for Success

In The Classroom

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Teachers and Staff will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading, math and college and career readiness. Some of our key connections with families will be:

- *Parent Nights throughout the year*
- *Student Agenda/Web Site*
- *Open Door Policy*
- *Parent/Teacher Conferences*
- *Community member presentations via Career Day.*
- *College Days*
- *3 day EQ Retreat and Team Building for students.*
- *Student participation in school sponsored activities: Drama, Poetry Slam, Mariachi, Speech and Debate, HOSA*

At Home

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Taos High School parents joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading, math and college and career readiness. Families may have other ideas to add to this list.

- *Common Core Standards on line*
- *Family/Parent Night Attendance*
- *Become familiar with school policies and agendas*
- *Power School Access on line for grade and attendance review.*
- *Parent Conferences*

Students

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Taos High School students joined staff and parents to develop ideas about how they can succeed in school and reach for the stars in math, reading college and career readiness. Students thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- *Student leader involvement*
- *Collaborate with community leaders and school on community service projects*
- *Participate as tutors to their peers*
- *Participate in extracurricular activities both in school and community*
- *EQ Team Building with peers*