

**MERCER COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS**  
**SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT**

*Mercer County Technical Schools and the parents of the students participating in activities, services, and programs funded by Title I, Part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) (participating children), agree that this compact outlines how the parents and the entire school staff, will share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership that will help children achieve the State's high standards.*

*The school-parent compact is effective during school year 2017-18.*

**REQUIRED SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT PROVISIONS**

**School Responsibilities**

**Mercer County Technical School District will:**

- 1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the State's student academic achievement standards as follows:**
  - The School District will provide a rigorous, developmentally appropriate curriculum aligned with the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards/Common Core Standards for all students. Further support and scaffolding will be provided for students with identified academic needs.
  
- 2. Hold parent-teacher conferences, by phone or in person, during which this compact may be discussed, in addition to other relevant information/data regarding the child, as it relates to the individual child's achievement.**
  - If needed or by request from parents or teachers.
  
- 3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:**
  - Parent-teacher communication is ongoing via:
    - i. Family Night activities
    - ii. Progress Reports and Report Cards
    - iii. PowerSchool – Parent/Student Portal
  
- 4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:**
  - Parents may contact staff via email, phone or by a scheduled conference.
  
- 5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and to observe classroom activities, as follows:**
  - Membership in Parents Advisory Committee
  - Membership in MCTS Educational Foundation
  - Volunteer in class or schedule visits, as appropriate.

## **Parent Responsibilities**

**We, as parents, will support our children's learning in the following ways by:**

- Monitoring attendance.
- Making sure that homework is completed.
- Monitoring the use of television, electronics, video games, and computer use.
- Volunteering in my child's classroom, as appropriate.
- Participating, as appropriate, in decisions relating to my children's education.
- Promoting 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 from the school or the school district either received by my child or by mail and responding, as appropriate.
- Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups or committees.

## **Student Responsibilities**

- Attend school on time and every day possible.
- Complete homework and submit on time.
- Respect other students, parents, teachers, and school administrators.
- Respect and care for school property and property of others.
- Follows safety rules at all times.
- Adhere to Student Code of Conduct Policy.