Clift Elementary SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT

<u>**Clift Elementary School**</u> 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, the entire school staff, and the students 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.

This school-parent compact is in effect during the 2021-2022 school year.

School Responsibilities

Clift Elementary 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:

Clift Elementary will ensure that curriculum and instruction are fully aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS). Clift will focus on providing engaging instruction that encourages critical thinking and utilizes best practices.

2. Hold parent-teacher conferences (at least annually in elementary schools) during which this compact will be discussed as it relates to the individual child's achievement. Specifically, those conferences will be held:

In the Fall and Spring, and as often as the teacher and parent feel it necessary for the child to be successful.

3. **Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress.** Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows:

Each child will receive a Monday folder with graded work, reflection sheets to communicate behavior as needed, progress reports every 3 weeks and report cards every 6 weeks, Skyward Family Access, and frequent parent communication through the SeeSaw app campus-wide.

4. **Provide parents reasonable access to staff.** Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows:

Staff are available to meet with parents by appointment during planning time or before/after school via in person, phone conference, or Zoom. Parents may also e-mail, phone, or message teachers via the SeeSaw app. Parent contact is always welcomed. High visibility and access to administration and teaching staff is imperative.

5. **Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class and to observe classroom activities**, as follows:

There are many opportunities for parents to volunteer, participate, and observe classroom activities: Class projects, field trips, guest speakers, College and Career Week, DEAR day, Grandfriends Week, Fall Festival, tutoring / mentoring, class parties, PTO meetings, Teacher Appreciation Week, fundraisers, Book Fair, Science Fair, yearbook, and class programs. Use Seesaw, School Messenger, social media, and website for communication.

Parent/Guardian Responsibilities

Parents/ Guardians will support student's learning in the following ways:

- 1. Monitor attendance.
- 2. Ensure class assignments and homework are completed.
- 3. Monitor student progress/grades via Skyward Family Access.
- 4. Participate when appropriate, in decisions relating to your child's education.
- 5. Be an active participant, when possible, in PTO and/or other school related opportunities.
- 6. Stay informed and communicate with school personnel by reading all notices from school and/or district received by students or by School Messenger (phone call or email).
- 7. Serve, when possible, in district and/or school, teams and committees.

Student Responsibilities

Students will share the responsibility to improve the school's academic achievement in the following ways:

- 1. Trustworthy Give parents/guardians all notices and information received from school.
- 2. Respectful Treat others with kindness and respect.
- 3. Inclusive Always include others. Your classroom is your school family.
- 4. Be Responsible Always do their best in class and complete homework when it is assigned and ask for help when needed.
- 5. Encouraging Support your peers with a positive attitude.

***Please sign the last page and return to your child's teacher by September 24, 2021.

<u>SCHOOL-PARENT COMPACT Receipt</u> *Return to your child's teacher by Friday, September 24, 2021

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Parent Signature

Date

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