



**Glassboro Public Schools  
Thomas E. Bowe School  
New Jersey Department of Education  
Title I School-Parent Compact**

The Thomas E. Bowe School 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 challenging State academic standards.

This school-parent compact is in effect during school year 2024-25.

### **School Responsibilities**

The Thomas E. Bowe School will:

1. Provide high-quality curriculum and instruction in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables the participating children to meet the challenging State academic standards as follows;
  - Glassboro Public Schools provides a comprehensive education program by developing standards-based curriculum built on best practice research and study in all subject areas.
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;
  - All parent-teacher conferences will be held on an as needed basis. Individual conferences will also be held if requested by the teacher or parent/guardian.
3. Provide parents with frequent reports on their children's progress. Specifically, the school will provide reports as follows;
  - Quarterly report cards.
  - Information pertaining to the child's benchmark assessments in all content areas.
4. Provide parents reasonable access to staff. Specifically, staff will be available for consultation with parents as follows;
  - Parents/guardians will have access to all staff through conferences, email and telephone communication.
5. Provide parents opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's school, and to observe classroom activities, as follows;
  - Parents/guardians have the opportunity to volunteer and participate in special activities and events throughout the year. Arrangements must be made with the building principal in advance along with background check and board approval.

## **Parent Responsibilities**

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

- Monitoring attendance.
- Making sure homework is completed when assigned.
- Monitoring my child's screen time (television, video games, computers, tablets, cell phones, etc.)
- 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, by email, or by mail, and responding, as appropriate.
- Serving, to the extent possible, on policy advisory groups, such as being the Title I, Part A parent representative on the school's School Improvement Team, the District wide Policy Advisory Council, the State's Committee of Practitioners, the School Support Team or other school advisory or policy groups.

## **Student Responsibilities**

We, as students, will share the responsibility to improve our academic achievement and achieve the State's high standards. Specifically, we will:

- Do my homework every day and ask for help when I need to.
- Read at least 30 minutes every day outside of school time.
- Give my parents or the adult who is responsible for my welfare all notices and information received by me from my school every day.

## **Additional Required School Responsibilities**

The Thomas E. Bowe School will:

1. Involve parents/guardians in the planning, review, and improvement of the school's parent and family engagement policy, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.
2. Involve parents/guardians in the joint development of any schoolwide program plan, in an organized, ongoing, and timely way.
3. Hold an annual meeting to inform parents/guardians of the school's participation in Title I, Part A programs, and to explain the Title I, Part A requirements, and the right of parents to be involved in Title I, Part A programs. The school will convene the meeting at a convenient time to parents/guardians and will offer a flexible number of additional parent and family engagement meetings, such as in the morning or evening, so that as many parents/guardians as possible are able to attend. The school will invite to this meeting all parents/guardians of children participating in Title I, Part A programs (participating students), and will encourage them to attend.

4. Provide information to parents/guardians of participating students in an understandable and uniform format, including alternative formats upon the request of parents with disabilities, and, to the extent practicable, in a language that parents can understand.
5. Provide to parents/guardians of participating children information in a timely manner about Title I, Part A programs that includes a description and explanation of the school's curriculum, the forms of academic assessment used to measure children's progress, and the proficiency levels students are expected to meet.
6. At the request of parents/guardians, provide opportunities for regular meetings for parents to formulate suggestions, and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of their children. The school will respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.
7. Provide each parent/guardians with an individual student report about the performance of their child on the State assessment in at least math, language arts, and reading.