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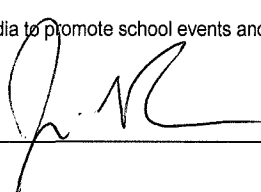
**James DeAnda's Mission Statement:**

Our mission is to empower scholars to: become global leaders, strive for excellence, and become responsible citizens, critical thinkers, and effective communicators.

**Title 1 Parent, Student, and Teacher School Compact 2023-2024**

James DeAnda Elementary school has formed a partnership with students, parents/guardians, and community to continue as an A+ school. We are working together to empower our scholars to use critical thinking to become global leaders in an ever-changing world by striving for excellence, becoming responsible citizens, and effective communicators.

A compact makes sure that everyone owns the responsibility of helping scholars achieve high academic standards. This compact is a promise to work together. We believe that this document can be fulfilled by a team effort. Together we can improve teaching and learning.

<p><b>As a Parent/Guardian, I will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have my child at school <b>ON TIME, PREPARED,</b> and <b>READY</b> to learn.</li> <li>• Encourage learning by monitoring my child's homework.</li> <li>• Work closely with the classroom teachers to ensure the success of my child.</li> <li>• Encourage, listen, or read to my child every night.</li> <li>• Communicate regularly with my child's teacher.</li> <li>• Recognize that I am my child's first teacher.</li> <li>• Review my child's progress report.</li> <li>• Seek educational opportunities for my child.</li> <li>• Monitor my child's health and act appropriately to ensure the safety of the school community.</li> <li>• Monitor the amount of electronics used by my child/children during the school week.</li> <li>• Visit the school often and participate in school activities, including: Open House, parent workshops, parent-teacher conferences, parent education programs, PTO, etc.</li> <li>• Model respect by interacting positively with school and community members.</li> </ul> <p><b>Parent Signature:</b> _____</p>	<p><b>As a student, I will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be an active participant in school and community services.</li> <li>• Be <b>ON TIME</b> at school and ready to learn.</li> <li>• Obey school and bus rules.</li> <li>• Show respect to teachers and peers.</li> <li>• Be responsible, and ready to learn each day.</li> <li>• Be responsible and self-disciplined when using technology.</li> <li>• Model caring by reaching out to my peers and being a good friend.</li> <li>• Come to school prepared and with homework and supplies.</li> <li>• Strive for excellence in my work and in my behavior.</li> <li>• Read independently every day.</li> <li>• Assume responsibility for my actions.</li> <li>• Report and not tolerate bullying by myself or my peers.</li> </ul> <p><b>Student Signature:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Parent Signature:</b> _____</p>
<p><b>As a Teacher, I will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Believe that each student can learn.</li> <li>• Show respect for each child and his or her family.</li> <li>• Provide a safe and productive learning environment.</li> <li>• Strive to identify and address students' unique needs.</li> <li>• Consult and coordinate with other teachers and staff about the specific needs of each child.</li> <li>• Involve parents in decision-making related to the education of their child/children.</li> <li>• Provide flexible scheduling of parent-teacher conferences and review the parent-teacher compact as necessary.</li> <li>• Come to class prepared to teach and empower students to become global learners.</li> <li>• Model professional behavior and a positive attitude.</li> <li>• Ensure fairness and equity in adherence to school, district, and classroom rules.</li> <li>• Send frequent reports to parents and maintain open lines of communication with students and parents.</li> <li>• Provide meaningful and appropriate homework.</li> <li>• Recognize and celebrate the cultural diversity of the students.</li> </ul> <p><b>Teacher Signature:</b> _____</p>	<p><b>DeAnda Elementary School will:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide high quality instruction and research-based curriculum in a supportive and effective learning environment that enables all students to meet the State's academic achievement standards.</li> <li>• Allow parents/guardians reasonable access to staff, opportunities to volunteer and participate in their child's class, and opportunities to observe classroom activities.</li> <li>• Ensure that DeAnda Elementary remains a safe place to work and learn.</li> <li>• Communicate relevant information to the community in a timely manner.</li> <li>• Use social media to promote school events and other activities.</li> </ul> <p><b>Principal Signature:</b>  _____</p>