

3 Ways to Support Learning at Home

1. Read with your child every day.

Create a habit of reading by reading aloud to your child or listening to your child read aloud every day. Encourage your children to read to each other.

2. Make reading fun!

- Create a special reading spot in your home.
- Vary reading stories, comics, biographies, history books, or any other topics your child is interested in.

3. Ask questions about what your child reads.

Having conversations with your child about what he/she is reading can improve comprehension and help to develop critical thinking and language skills. One activity you can do with your child is 3 2 1. While reading, ask your child to tell you:

3	Things I learned
2	Questions I have
1	Connection I made

Contact Us

Please contact us at Ballard Elementary with any additional questions or concerns.



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Home-School Compact

2024 - 2025



Staff, Family & Student Commitments

The entire staff at Ballard Elementary will work to ensure that each student receives high-quality content and instruction provided in a supportive, safe, and effective learning environment in order for him/her to meet state academic achievement standards and strive to be a life-long learner. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Highly qualified teachers
- Effective teaching strategies
- Relevant instructional materials
- Differentiated instruction for all students
- Curriculum based on state standards
- Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)
- Assessments that drive instruction and monitor progress

Communication

Families will receive frequent communication on the student's progress through:

- Communication folders/Agendas
- Scheduled conferences
- Quarterly Report Cards & Progress Reports
- Individual student reports on tier 2 and tier 3 interventions
- Classroom assignments
- State Assessment Reports
- Phone calls, emails, electronic communication and/or mail.

Academic Achievement

Academic achievement *with support in technology* will be discussed regularly at student-led conferences, workshops, trainings, the Annual Title I Parent Meetings, and Open House.

If you would like to schedule a conference at any time, please reach out to the student's teacher.

Home-School Compact: Our Agreement

Join us for the 2024-2025 school year to provide the very best education for your student. Overwhelming evidence shows that when families are engaged in the education of their child, he/she will be more successful, perform better in class, and go on to higher education. Signing below indicates our commitment!

We are depending on families to:

- Have the student at school on time each day in uniform.
- Talk to your student about his/her day.
- Give your student support and help him/her find a quiet place to complete homework.
- Encourage your student to read each day (media, books, environmental print).
- Be engaged in your student's education and ask for help from the school to assist you with any questions or concerns.
- Participate in decisions about your student's education through Student Advisory Council (SAC) Meetings.
- Attend family events.

Accessibility

Families will have reasonable access to staff 30 minutes before and after school hours, phone conferences, emails, ClassDojo, Back to School Night, Conference Nights, and scheduled conferences.

NOTE: Parents can access academic data by logging into the FOCUS Parent Portal.

We are depending on students to:

- Attend school in uniform every day with a positive attitude.
- Talk to their families about their day.
- Follow ROAR expectations (school and classroom rules) and show respect to adults and peers.
- Complete assigned homework.
- Read every day.
- Give all notices and information from school to an adult in their home.
- Give maximum effort to their education at all times.
- Have a Growth Mindset!


School Signature 8/8/24 Date

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

Student Signature Date