

Activities to Build Partnerships and Capacity

- **Open House**
- **Annual Meeting & Curriculum Night** - August
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences** (mid-year and as needed)
- **Multiple Parent Workshops** - *Learn a variety of strategies to use at home to help your child achieve academic success and be better readers. Delivered at different times and days for parent convenience- Dates forthcoming*
- **Family Reading Night:** ELA activities and support for reading at home
- **Technology Day** – Community and Parents
- **Parent Resource Center** – More activities to be announced – Look for detailed fliers.

What is a School-Parent Compact?

A School-Parent Compact for Achievement is an agreement that parents, students and teachers develop together through collaboration and feedback. It explains how parents and teachers will work together to make sure all our students reach grade-level standards. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on the student needs.

Effective compact:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on student learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help students develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies parents can use at home
- Explain how teachers and parents will communicate about student progress
- Describe opportunities for parents to volunteer and observe in the classroom

Our Mission

*Excellence in
Education...Everyone...Everyday*

Parent and Family Engagement Resource Center Hours

(located at ULPS)

Monday-Friday

7:30am – 3:30pm

Communication is important to us!

ULMS is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about your child's progress. You can expect to hear from us by:

- Scheduled conferences
- Monthly school newsletters
- Infinite Campus Parent Portal
- Updates on the School Website
- Sign Paper Folders (Wednesday)
- School Reach Calls
- Facebook and other social media

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**Upson-Lee Middle
School**

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**School-Parent-Student
Compact for
Achievement**

Grades: 6-8

Our Goals for Student Achievement

District Goal:

Thomaston-Upson County Schools set goals for the entire district. The district goal for 2018-2019 is:

- The percentage of students scoring at Proficient Learner or above on the Georgia Milestones (GMAS) English Language Arts End of Grade Assessment will increase by five percentage points.

Vision: Destination... Graduation!

School Goal:

ULMS set goals for the 2018-2019 school year. The goal is to increase the percentage of students reading on grade level by 5% according to the State Assessment (GA Milestones). In grades 6-8, our school will primarily focus on the following areas:

- Writing – process of using words and punctuation to communicate thoughts and ideas in a readable form
- Reading – ability to read with speed, accuracy, and proper expression

Shared Responsibilities

In the 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Classrooms

Teachers will work with students and their families to support students' success in reading and writing

Teachers will:

- Provide families with a quarterly reading passage with specific strategies parents can use to help their child become better readers.
- Provide families with questions to ask when reading with students to support better comprehension – who/what/when, etc.
- Provide families with information about school wide events and workshops to learn academic strategies to practice with students at home.
- Provide resources on our school website to assist with comprehension
- Provide strategies for families to help complete the required Knight Hour Project (one per semester)

ULMS Students: ULMS students will strive to do the following to help them succeed in and out of school:

- Read at least 20 minutes at home
- Practice comprehension skills while reading at home
- Work with their family to complete the required Knight Hour Project

Parent and Families

ULMS families joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support students' success in reading

Families will:

- Utilize resources provided by the school to support comprehension skills.
- Ask your child to read at least 20 minutes.
- Use the comprehension strategies provided when your child reads.
- Attend school wide events and workshops
- Do the take home activities sent home from any workshop or school event with their child
- Be sure your child is present in school and ready to learn.

We want your child to succeed!



Parents are encouraged to volunteer at school. Check out the website, social media, and flyers for opportunities.

