# What is a School-Family Compact?

A school-family compact joins schools and home together, giving strategies to parents to help their children and our students be successful. It is linked directly to academic goals of the campus, focused on student learning and growth, and offers ways parents and teachers can communicate.



#### **Jointly Developed**

Parents, students, and staff worked together to develop the school-family compact. Teachers met withing their departments to develop effective strategies parents can use at home. Parents provided feedback on the needs of their students. Feedback is requested annually to revise the compact to match academic goals and student needs of the campus.

# Building Partnership Activities

- Open House
- Trunk or Treat
- Winter Fest
- Spring Fiesta
- Curriculum Nights

## Kirby is focused on GROWTH!

#### Parental Involvement

- Site Based Decision Making Committees
- Parent Teacher Organization
- Communication through parent conferences, website,
   Facebook, and Twitter



### Kirby Middle School

2023-2024 School-Family Compact

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#### **School History**

In 1914, a small two-room elementary school was built on Seguin Road in the current location of Kirby Middle School. The city and community of Kirby welcomed the opening of a new Judson ISD school in 1969 called Kirby Junior High School. The school opened with seventh and eighth grade students under the leadership of Superintendent William F. Sevier and Principal Ernie Sena. Over the years, Kirby Middle School has seen many changes:

- 1979 Additions of the 400 building for the elective classes.
- 1977 The addition of ninth graders, called "freshmen".
- Late 1980's Saw the ninth graders moved back to the Judson High School and a Principal, Loretta Carter, takes on the role of leadership.
- 1998 The addition of the sixth grade class to the Junior High.
   2003 - Construction of the new twostory "A" building for upgraded classrooms.
- 2011 The dedication of new "B" building for upgraded Science labs. The "Elsie Jordan" Librarian was named after the first librarian of Kirby Middle School.
- 2018 The beginning of the newest journey of construction ...

#### **School Mission**

Our mission at Kirby Middle School is to create and maintain an educational environment that empowers our students to become life-long learners who use high order thinking skills as determined by the TEKS and other National Standards. Our students will apply knowledge to become contributing members of a global society and have the ability to achieve success in high levels of education. We will create a community of support with individualized interventions that will guarantee the success of every

### Student Responsibility

student.

- Take home all necessary materials to complete assignments.
- Arrange a place and regular time to study.
- Complete and turn in assignments on time.
- Ask for help when you are unsure.

#### Parent Responsibility

- Encourage good study habits.
- Provide necessary assistance and a positive attitude with assignments.
- Communicate concerns with teachers.
- Encourage student(s) to attend tutoring when needed.
- Monitor technology and outside activities to ensure student has sufficient study time.

#### Teacher Responsibility

The grade level teams and specific content area specialists will work collaboratively with students and their families for students to be academically successful.

#### Teachers will:

- Define work to be completed
- Communicate with parents and students
- Review and grade assignments to provide consistent feedback