

SCA Parent/Student School Compact

Smithson Craighead Academy 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), agree that this compact outlines how the parents, the 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 State's high standards.

Annual Title I Meeting: September 2024

Staff Responsibilities:

- Provide instruction for each student at his/her own pace.
- Provide a safe school environment that promotes learning.
- Show respect with our words and actions for each child and his/her family.
- Provide appropriate homework to reinforce the skills that have been taught at school.
- Communicate with parents regularly about their child's progress.
- Schedule an annual parent-teacher conference to discuss academic and behavior progress.
- Come to school on time, prepared to teach the approved state and local curriculum.

Parent Responsibilities:

- Read to my child or have my child read to me everyday.
- Show respect with my words and actions for my child, other children and their families, the teachers, and the school.
- Provide a place for homework and check to see that all work is completed.
- Ask my child about schoolwork and activities every day.
- Communicate and work with the school to encourage my child's learning and positive behavior.
- See that my child attends school regularly and on time.
- Communicate with the school about any changes in address or phone numbers.

Who Are We... SCA Eagle

Family Values

A parent is the most important teacher in a child's life.

SCA's motto is to "Save Every Child."

We believe that family engagement promotes the participation of the whole child's environment including parents, siblings, and other key family members/mentors in meaningful communication concerning the students academic, social, and emotional learning as well as being involved in other school activities. We ask our parents to ensure they:

- ◆ That parents play an integral role in assisting their child's learning.
- ◆ That parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's education at school.
- ◆ That parents are full partners in their child's education and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and on advisory.
- ◆ Committees to assist in the education of their child.

SCA's MISSION & VISION

We believe all children can learn and grow. We seek to educate and empower our scholars at all levels from at risk to high achieving. With a strong emphasis on foundational, higher order thinking, along with social and emotional skills SCA students will succeed. We envision a community of empowerment and equality through education, self-realization, personal responsibility, and service to others. Like an Eagle, WE WILL SOAR! As a school that serves at-risk and minority students, we are always looking for ways to meet and serve the needs of the whole child. Therefore, we offer a variety of services.

- Free School Supplies
- Free Diapers Fridays
- Free Community Events
- Free Family Resources such as:
 - Community Resource Hub for Housing, Clothing, and Food
 - Wraparound Services



Family Engagement Policy



Smithson Craighead Academy (SCA) was the 1st, free, public charter school in Nashville, Tennessee.

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SCA and Family Engagement Standards

SCA and our families have adopted the National PTA Standards for Family-School Partnerships as the school's model in engaging parents, students, and the community. These standards are:

1. Welcoming All Families
2. Communicating Effectively
3. Supporting Student Success
4. Speaking Up for Every Child
5. Sharing Power
6. Collaborating with Community
7. Developing School Compact & Engagement Policy

When students, schools, families, and communities come together – we CAN achieve our goals!
~ SCA Parent Compact

Student Responsibilities:

Declare each day is a new day. Remember that yesterday is behind you. Make sure your mind is alert, your heart is open, and you are ready to listen and learn. Choose to treat others with the same RESPECT that you deserve. Take responsibility for your actions and behaviors. Communicate with your teachers and administrators. Be HONEST and TRUSTWORTHY. Know that you are special, important, and aim for EXCELLENCE in all that you do. **Like an Eagle, SOAR!**

Title I - Part A 2024-2025

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SCA families have a peace of mind knowing that their children are in a safe, nurturing environment that fosters independence and a positive attitude towards learning.

What is Title I?

SCA is identified as a Title I school as part of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Title I is designed to support State and local school reform efforts tied to the challenging State academic standards to improve teaching and learning for students. Title I programs must be based on effective means of improving student achievement and include strategies to support family engagement. All Title I schools must jointly develop with parents and family members a written school and family engagement policy.

ANNUAL TITLE 1 MEETING: September 2024

School Community Team

Yes, I am interested and wish to join the School Community Team

Please contact me so I can learn more about joining the School Community Team

Please send me notifications about future meetings and updates

Name: _____

Child's Name and Grade Level: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Share Your Thoughts

We want to hear from you! If you have any suggestions or if there is any part of this policy that you feel is not satisfactory with the students' and the school's goals for academic achievement, please provide us with your comments in the space provided and leave this form in the front office

Name (optional): _____ Phone Number (optional): _____

Comments: _____

What are your rights as a parent?

As a parent you have the right to be involved in decisions made at both the school and district level; be provided with information on your child's level of achievement on tests in reading/language arts, writing, mathematics, and science; request and receive information on the qualifications of your child's teacher and paraprofessionals who are working with your child by contacting the main office at (615) 228-9886 or via email at info@scanashville.org; and request opportunities for regular meetings to formulate suggestions and to participate, as appropriate, in decisions about the education of your child. The school is required to respond to any such suggestions as soon as practicably possible.

Jointly Develop and Communicate: We also highly encourage all parents to be a part of the PTO where your voice is heard. Help us make SCA great. This is our number one way for communications along with, email, text, school app, Dojo, website, school calendar, and flyers in multiple languages.



*In Honor of Mary Craighead and
S. Sandra Smithson, OSF, Founder*

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