

A+UP School -Family Compact

We want families to choose A+UP because they are looking for a small, personalized school for their children. Research shows that parents have a huge impact on their child's learning. At A+UP we welcome families into our work of growing students into **scholars**. This Compact outlines our collective commitments.

A+UP Commitments:

- ◆ Work in partnership with families.
- ◆ Communicate with families both openly and frequently.

Family Commitments:

- ◆ Have our children at school and ready to learn every day.
- ◆ Reinforce **ownership** by holding scholars accountable for outcomes created by their behaviors — both good and bad. With A+UP, we will help them learn hard lessons and celebrate successes achieved after overcoming challenges.
- ◆ Ask weekly, "What feedback have you gotten?" and "What are you learning?"

Together, we work together to help scholars "lift their own weight" by holding them to high standards and high expectations. Together, we will help our scholars become **better thinkers and better people**.

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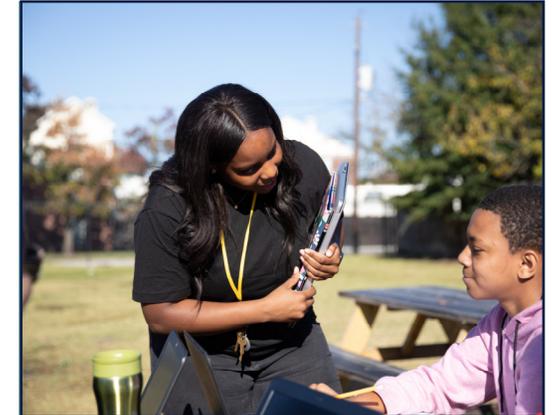
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We invite input from you to help us make this Compact more effective. Please contact us at admin@aplusup.org with your thoughts and feedback.



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School—Family Compact for Achievement 2020-2021

The School-Parent Compact for **Achievement** is an agreement that A+UP parents, students, and teachers develop together to define responsibilities to meet our common goals.



Better thinkers make for better people. In partnership with parents, we can unlock the unlimited potential of our students by growing them from students into scholars through an educational experience that values both character development and academic achievement.



A+UP SCHOOL GOALS

We work with each scholar as an individual learner. Although we serve a diverse group of learners, some of whom were underserved by their previous schools, we expect each A+UP scholar to grow. As a school, our primary academic goal is for 85% of our students to grow on the STAAR or MAP tests in reading and math.

We also work to have each scholar reach their **Unlimited Potential** in achievement. For scholars whose path leads to “Approaches Standards,” we push to “Meet Standards.” For those on the path to “Meet Standards,” we push to “Mastery!”

A+UP Virtues

At A+UP, we value character growth as much as academic growth. Our school culture is founded on a special set of virtues that help them become **better thinkers and better people**. We call these virtues O-SPICES, and we practice them everyday.

Ownership: We learn how our behaviors create our outcomes — both good and bad.

Self-Control: We can control our behaviors because we have choice.

Perseverance: We keep working through challenges to achieve our goals.

Integrity: We do what's right, even when no one is looking.

Curiosity: We want to understand our world and ourselves, so we ask questions.

Empowerment: We know that we can create change in our lives and our community.

Social Intelligence: We know how to behave in different situations and how to talk with others.

Coaching scholars to live out these virtues develops in them the strength of character to realize their **Unlimited Potential** and take ownership of their own academic success.

GLOBAL GOALS (all scholars)

1. To have 85% of scholars demonstrate growth in Math or Reading on STAAR or MAP.
2. To increase the number of scholars who meet or exceed expectations on the STAAR .

6TH GRADE GOALS

1. Learn the virtue of **Ownership** by understanding how daily behavior impacts performance, both positively and negatively.
2. Establish all learning skills needed to be academically successful.

7TH GRADE GOALS

1. To have 75% or more scholars pass the STAAR Writing test .
2. To consistently demonstrate **Self Control and Perseverance** when in an online learning environment and complete learning tasks regularly.

8TH GRADE GOALS

1. To have 75% or more scholars pass the STAAR Science and Social Studies tests.
2. To have each scholar decide on and apply to their best-match high school.
3. To have each scholar demonstrate **Curiosity and Integrity** both inside and outside school.