

Family and Community Roles in Education:

Families and community leaders play crucial roles in the success of our students.

The school encourages families and community members to partner with us in the education of our students.

Staff, parents and students jointly developed this compact to assist in understanding participant's roles.

A school Action Plan has been designed to plan activities that will enhance student achievement as outlined in the CTHSS Student Learning Objectives and our School Improvement Plan.



Communication With Families

Eli Whitney Technical High School is committed to communicating regularly with families about their teen's learning.

Methods of communication will be:

Power School-grades, assignments and attendance

Web-site: <http://www.cttech.org/whitney/>

Electronic Monthly newsletters

Telephone blasts

Parent Pointer calendars

Email

Teacher Conferences and Workshops

Family Activity Dates:

PFO Meetings	To Occur Monthly (check the school's weekly calendar)
September	Review Family Engagement Action Plan
October	College/Career Fair; AR Reading and Library Night; Family Engagement Newsletter
November	8th Grade Open House; College Night; ALEKS Program Night
December	9th Grade Shop Selection Night; Eli Whitney Staff, Student and Parent Holiday Cookie Making and Singing Event
January/February	Family Engagement Newsletter
March	Family Engagement Team – Team Building and Maintenance Meeting
April	Family Engagement Action Planning for next school year; Family Engagement Newsletter
May	Freshmen Welcome Night



Questions?

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CTHSS Family Engagement Program

School Governance
Council Compact

2016-2017

Eli Whitney
Technical High School



Family Engagement Compact

District Student Learning Objectives

Literacy:

Students can apply word knowledge and skills to identify the meaning of words in context.

Students can apply comprehension strategies and construct meaning from grade level complex texts.

Mathematics:

Students can explain and apply mathematical concepts and carry out mathematical procedures with precision and fluency.

Climate:

Create a welcoming environment where all cultures are respected and valued. To increase the number of families who are active participants in student learning. To focus on partnership activities that strengthen and support the district's school climate initiative, and to foster an environment which encourages outreach within the surrounding community.

School Objectives:

Literacy: Increase family involvement in Accelerated Reader Program (AR) to improve Scale Scores and Reading Comprehension.

Mathematics: Increase family involvement in standards, assessments and student work in order to improve math skills.

Climate: Increase positive interaction as measured by staff, family, and student climate surveys.

In the School and Classroom:

The staff works to further enhance Literacy and Mathematical understanding for students by helping families to support their teen's development of learning strategies to improve skill development.

The focus will include:

Accelerated Reader Program

Summer reading program

Workshop for online math resources

English Language Learners and Special Education support strategies

Workshop for families that will teach strategies that may be replicated at home to enhance and support learning in school.

Power School training

Workshops which will address the emerging needs of adolescents and their families

Career Planning

In the Home:

The high school families developed ideas to support Literacy and Mathematical understanding in the home by:

Monitoring student assignments and grades on Power School

Participating in training to support their teen's use of literacy and mathematical strategies

Accessing the Family Engagement Center for resources, books, materials and tips to support student learning at home

Support school rules and policies



Students will take responsibility by:

- Participate in the success of the Family Engagement activities by planning, implementing, and attending events
- Share information and encourage family participation in the Family Engagement activities
- Consistently do their best work in shop and class, and demonstrate positive behavior
- Communicate with staff member(s) when concerns are interfering with school success