

2023-2024 School Compact

Parents, the entire school staff and students all share the responsibility for improved student academic achievement, and parents are a valuable partner to help children achieve Newman's and the State's high standards. Parents are a student's first and most influential teachers. The following are recommendations for how you can encourage your student to do his/her best and the value that you place on his/her learning:

- Spend time each day talking to your student about what he or she is learning in school. Offer encouragement.
- Respect learning style differences in your students. Students have differing interests and talents; encourage those interests and talents.
- Treat each student as an individual.
- Communicate a value for learning. Look over their homework and talk to them about their futures and the skills they will need to be successful.
- Use positive statements such as: "I knew you could do it!" "You're a really hard-working kid!" "I'm so proud of you!"
- Ask to see your student's planner and schoolwork on a daily basis. Backpacks sometimes contain important information for parents.
- Stay in contact with your student's teachers. Don't hesitate to get in touch with them if you have questions.
- Talk with your student and together plan a focused time and place for study each day.

The following are the expectations and responsibilities that apply to the parents of students attending Newman International Academy:

- Be sure that the student attends school regularly. Promptly report and explain all absences and tardies to the school office.
- Participate in meaningful parent/teacher conferences to discuss the student's progress and welfare.
- Be involved in activities in your student's classroom and school. Attend as many school gatherings, such as POWWOWS and meetings as possible.
- Be sure your student meets grooming, uniform/dress code regulations.
- Stay informed of academic requirements and school policies.
- Discuss school assignments and report cards with your student.
- Bring to the attention of school personnel any learning problems or conditions that may relate to the student's education.
- Maintain up-to-date home, work, and emergency telephone numbers and other contact information.
- Support your student's teachers. Supporting and partnering with the school and the teacher will significantly strengthen your student's educational experience.
- Arrange to have students at school during the drop-off time (or during breakfast time if participating in breakfast program).
- Arrange to have students off campus by the end of the pick-up time at the end of the school day.

- When waiting for students to be released, it is the parent/ guardian's responsibility to supervise any other children with them.
- Strive to build meaningful relationships with the student's teachers and other school staff.
- Help prepare your student to perform his or her best on state assessments by reviewing, assuring proper rest, and encouraging a positive mindset toward trying their best on assessments.
- NIA is a college-prep academy, families should partner with the school to encourage their students to prepare for college.
- Students benefit from experiencing the Newman culture and commitment to an educational institution. Please re-enroll early and monitor any communication regarding preparation for the next school year.