



WESTFIELD TECHNICAL ACADEMY LEARNING COMPACT 2019-2020

For

(Student Name)

HOME & SCHOOL: WORKING TOGETHER FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

Public Law 103-382:

“The Improving America’s Schools Act, Shared Responsibilities for High Student Performance”:

“...each school served under this part shall jointly develop with parents for all children served under this part a school-parent compact that outlines how parents, the entire school staff, and students will share the responsibility for improved student achievement and the means by which the school and parents will build and develop a partnership to help children achieve the State’s high standards.”

THE GOALS OF THIS COMPACT

The Westfield Technical Academy Learning Compact focuses on four goals which are important to your child's school success:

- Improving basic skills
- Motivating students to study
- Increasing student attendance
- Promoting positive behavior

YOUR INVOLVEMENT IS CRUCIAL

Research has proven that family involvement in education is an important indicator of children's academic success. Supporting your child's education is easier than you may think. We know that you are busy, but the time you spend helping your child to be a better student is one of the most important investments you can make. Your child is more likely to succeed if you:

- Get to know your child’s teachers.
- Help your child study at home.
- Attend school activities when you can.
- Show your child that school is important.

Title 1 is federal aid program for schools. The goal of Title 1 is to ensure a high-quality education for every child, by providing extra help to students who need it most. Westfield Technical Academy is a schoolwide Title 1 project. This means all students benefit from parts of the Title 1 program, and all students are considered Title 1 students.

For more information on the Title 1 Program, or if you have questions, comments or suggestions about this Learning Compact, please contact us:

Title 1 Program
94 North Elm St. Suite 101
Westfield, MA 01085
413-572-6397



Dear Westfield Technical Academy Family,

A child's education is a process which requires the active participation of the student, his/her family and the school community. A Home School Learning Compact is a written agreement between the school, parents and student which defines each of our responsibilities and the actions we will take to help our children succeed at school. Compacts are required for schools receiving Title 1 funds.

Completing this compact signifies your willingness to be an active participant in your child's education. *We recognize that many parents already understand and more than fulfill these responsibilities.*

Please sign the parent section of the compact and ask your child to sign the student section. The completed compact should be returned to your child's teacher. If you would like a copy for your records, it can be found on our website (www.schoolsofwestfield.org, click on *Departments*, then *Title 1*), or call 572-6397.

Thank you for your consideration of this compact.

Sincerely,

Mr. Joseph Langone
Principal

Mr. Christopher Rogers
Administrator of Student Interventions

Westfield Technical Academy is committed to helping your child reach his/her potential by:

To be filled in by teacher
An important goal for your student this year is:

- ✓ Promoting an atmosphere that stimulates learning for students of all levels and abilities
- ✓ Developing and maintaining an on-going relationship with students
- ✓ Maintaining certified, well-trained staff
- ✓ Reflecting the changing needs of industry and the community in our curriculum by providing modern and relevant objectives and learning materials
- ✓ Maintaining an active advisory board which is representative of all career offerings
- ✓ Preparing students to meet the demands of the current labor market and meet MCAS graduation requirements
- ✓ Developing students' work skills and knowledge to allow for acceptable job-entry performance
- ✓ Helping students to develop communication skills that will facilitate work and continue education throughout their lifetime
- ✓ Providing support services to students who need assistance beyond the regular program

Teacher Signature

As a parent/guardian I will support my child's learning by:

To be filled in by parent
I will make a special effort to work with my child to:

- ✓ Discussing with my child the importance of education and working hard to get the most out of school
- ✓ Staying interested and aware of what my child is learning and doing in school
- ✓ Making sure my child attends school on a daily basis and arrives on time
- ✓ Discussing with my child, and holding him/her accountable for appropriate school behavior
- ✓ Encouraging my child's participation in school activities and events
- ✓ Providing study space and materials for my child
- ✓ Participating in parent-teacher conferences and school events whenever possible
- ✓ Contacting teachers or staff when I am concerned or have a question about my child
- ✓ Encouraging reading for pleasure
- ✓ Encouraging my child's efforts and being available for support

Parent/Guardian Signature

As a student I will be an active learner by:

To be filled in by student
This year I am going to work hard to:

- ✓ Treat my classmates and school staff with respect and be sensitive to cultural diversity
- ✓ Work cooperatively with my classmates
- ✓ Respect the property of others
- ✓ Take responsibility for my own behavior
- ✓ Attend school daily and on time, unless I am sick
- ✓ Be prepared for school each day with completed assignments
- ✓ Work hard to do my best in class and shop
- ✓ Be aware of safety procedures and follow safety rules
- ✓ Ask for help when I need it
- ✓ Talk to my family about what I am learning and doing in school
- ✓ Practice healthy habits such as eating properly, exercising and getting enough rest
- ✓ Read at home for pleasure
- ✓ Have a positive attitude about myself and my education

Student Signature