

## Building Partnership

Ethos Classical Charter School will build partnerships between its Title I families and community with the goal of developing mutual support for scholar achievement. To develop capacity for this support, Ethos will implement a variety of family and community engagement initiatives. The Ethos Joy Squad is one such initiative. Meeting and support of the Joy Squad is offered by the Director of Scholar and Family Services. The Joy Squad is an opportunity for families to partner with Ethos staff to address academic goals and at-home learning activities. Meetings are held on zoom monthly.

- Family Joy Squad Meeting #1 9.29.2022**
- Family Joy Squad Meeting #2 10.27.2022**
- Family Joy Squad Meeting #3 11.10.2022**
- Family Joy Squad Meeting #4 1.20.2023**
- Family Joy Squad Meeting #5 3.26.2023**
- Family Joy Squad Meeting #6 4.20.2023**

Ethos Classical Charter School will provide families with information about the overall Title I program and its requirements. They will help families understand academic expectations for scholar learning and progress. Ethos Classical also offers assistance to parents in understanding use of its online scholar information system (i.e. PowerSchool and Kickboard) and other digital resources (i.e. Zearn and Lexia). Notifications about these opportunities will be posted in monthly school newsletter---The Joy Factor, and shared through school messaging systems, and social media postings. In addition, the front office contains resources and materials such as parent guides, study guides, and practice assessments, and materials for at-home learning. Hard copies of these materials are also available at all Title I schools, including copies in Spanish.



## Communicating About Scholar Learning

Ethos Classical is committed to frequent two-way communication with families about children's learning. Some of the ways you can expect us to reach you are:

- Daily lifework folders (i.e. homework)
- Trimester Report Card Conferences (at the end of each trimester)
- "check-in" notes or phone calls
- Weekly Classroom Newsletters
- Monthly School Newsletters
- Updates on Join Our Class and Parent Square
- Content/Curriculum Nights

Do you have questions about your child's progress? Contact your child's teacher by e-mail or Join Our Class. E-mail addresses are on the school website at [www.ethosclassical.org](http://www.ethosclassical.org).



## Our Extraordinary School - Family Compact

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## What is a School Family Compact?

A **School-Family Compact** is an agreement that families, scholars, and teachers develop together. It explains how families and teachers will work together to make sure all our scholars reach grade-level standards.

### Effective Compacts:

- Link to goals of the school improvement plan
- Focus on scholar learning skills
- Describe how teachers will help scholars develop those skills using high-quality instruction
- Share strategies families can use at home
- Explain how teachers and families will communicate about scholar progress
- Describe opportunities for families to volunteer, observe, and participate in the classroom

## Jointly Developed

Throughout the development of Ethos Classical Charter School, families were invited to participate and provide suggestions and ideas to cultivate this extraordinary school-family compact for the 2022-2023 school year. Ethos sent emails and family newsletters to enrolled families informing them of Ethos team events and meetings. Teachers suggested home learning strategies, parents added ideas to make them more specific, and scholars told us what would help them learn. Meetings are held each year to review the compact and make changes based on scholar needs.

### Parents are welcome to contribute comments at any time.

If you would like to volunteer, participate and/or observe in the classroom, please contact: [BBrittany.Murray@ethosclassical.org](mailto:BBrittany.Murray@ethosclassical.org) or 470-802-0046 .



## Our Goals for Scholar Success

- ✓ 75% proficiency on statewide assessments
- ✓ 100% growth in literacy and mathematics

Ethos Classical commits to creating classrooms and a school community where children love learning and teachers love teaching. The key component to a strong school culture is engaging, joyful, and rigorous lesson that meet scholars where they are and growth them to be curious and adaptive learners. We will prioritize scholar outcomes, develop ourselves over time as the instructional leaders in our classrooms, and be intentional in the ways we use our energy so we can do this work together for many years to come.

**Goal #1 :** Progress monitor the implementation of our structures to be able to reflect and refine.

**Goal #2 :** To provide teachers with new learning, utilize intellectual prep time and individualized coaching in order to support all teachers in creating classrooms that meet the bar for excellence

**Goal #3:** Improve structures and resources for ELA and MATH, support collaborative teacher teams in implementing high quality lesson plans and interventions that align to our vision of excellence

## We Keep Our People: Families, Teachers, Scholars

Ethos Classical families joined staff to develop ideas about how families can support scholars' growth in reading and math. Some of those ideas include:

1. At-home access to computer/technology software to support (i.e. Lexia, Zearn, Amplify)
2. Mission to 1 Million
3. Brilliant Figures
4. Content Nights
5. Family Tank Checks
6. Georgia Milestone Family Training
7. Joy Squad Events
8. Pops of Joy - Fathers of Ethos' Scholars

Ethos will also contribute to the ideas on how to grow in reading and math at the end of each trimester. Scholars thought of the following ideas to make connections between learning at home and school:

- Complete my lifework every day
- Get on TRUE BLUE
- Read books for the Mission to 1 Million Challenge
- Earn the chance to go to the book vending machine
- Complete the Brilliant Figure challenges for prizes

