SCHOOL-FAMILY COMPACT
for Garity Elementary

It is important that families and schools work together to help students achieve high academic standards.

**Staff**
I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- Teach classes through interesting and challenging lessons constructed on student need that promote student achievement.
- Endeavor to motivate students to learn.
- Have high expectations and help every child to develop a love of learning.
- Communicate regularly with families about student progress.
- Provide a warm, safe and caring learning environment.
- Provide meaningful assignments to reinforce and extend learning.
- Participate in professional development opportunities that improve teaching and learning.
- Support the formation of partnerships with families and the community.
- Actively participate in collaborative decision making.
- Consistently work to make school accessible and a welcoming place for families.
- Respect the school, students, staff, and families.

**Student**
I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- Come to school ready to learn and work hard.
- Bring necessary materials, completed assignments and homework.
- Know and follow school and class rules.
- Communicate regularly with my parents and teachers about school experiences.
- Limit my TV watching and video game playing.
- Make time to study and read every day.
- Respect the school, classmates, staff, and families.

**Family/Parent Pledge**
I agree to carry out the following responsibilities to the best of my ability:

- Provide a quiet time and place for homework.
- Monitor TV viewing and teach appropriate use of technology.
- Ensure that my child attends school every day, gets adequate sleep, regular medical attention, and proper nutrition.
- Regularly monitor my child’s progress in school.
- Participate in school activities such as decision making, volunteering and/or attending parent-teacher conferences.
- Communicate the importance of education and learning to my child.
- Respect the school, staff, students, and families.
- Read to my child or encourage my child to read every day (20 minutes for grades K-3 and 30 minutes for grades 4 and older).