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Canvas Parent Access

What is Canvas?

Canvas is a digital tool that provides teachers, students, and parents a platform for accessing a variety of educational resources online, all from one location.

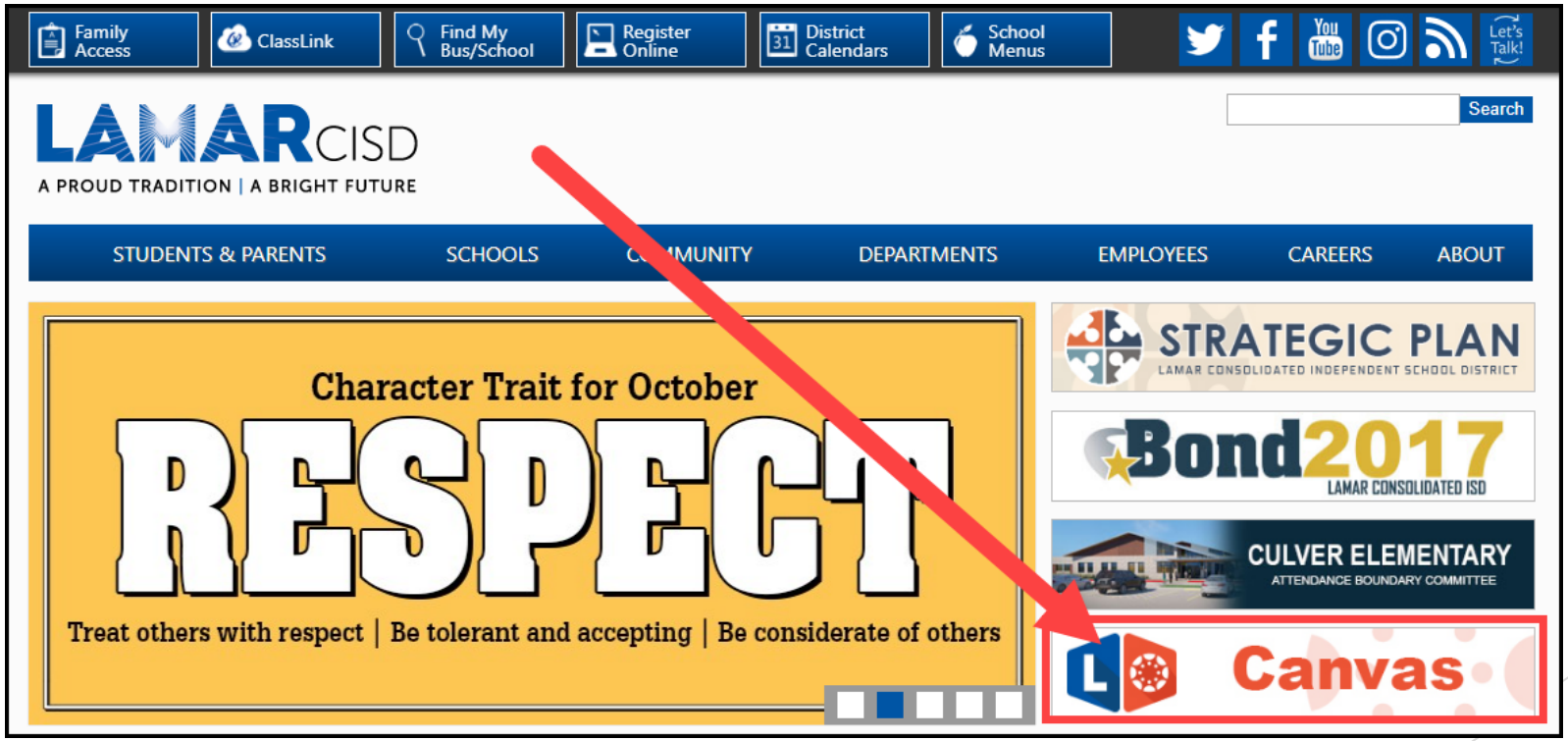
- A course is created for each class a student has.
- Observer accounts are automatically created for guardians.
- Parents are able to access these courses using an Observer Account

Accessing Canvas for the First Time

- You will use the email address you provide in Skyward as your Web Access email.
- You **DO NOT** use your Skyward username.
- Use your **entire email address**, not just the first part.

Accessing Canvas for the First Time

Go to the LCISD home page and choose the Canvas option.
(or go to canvas.lcisd.org)



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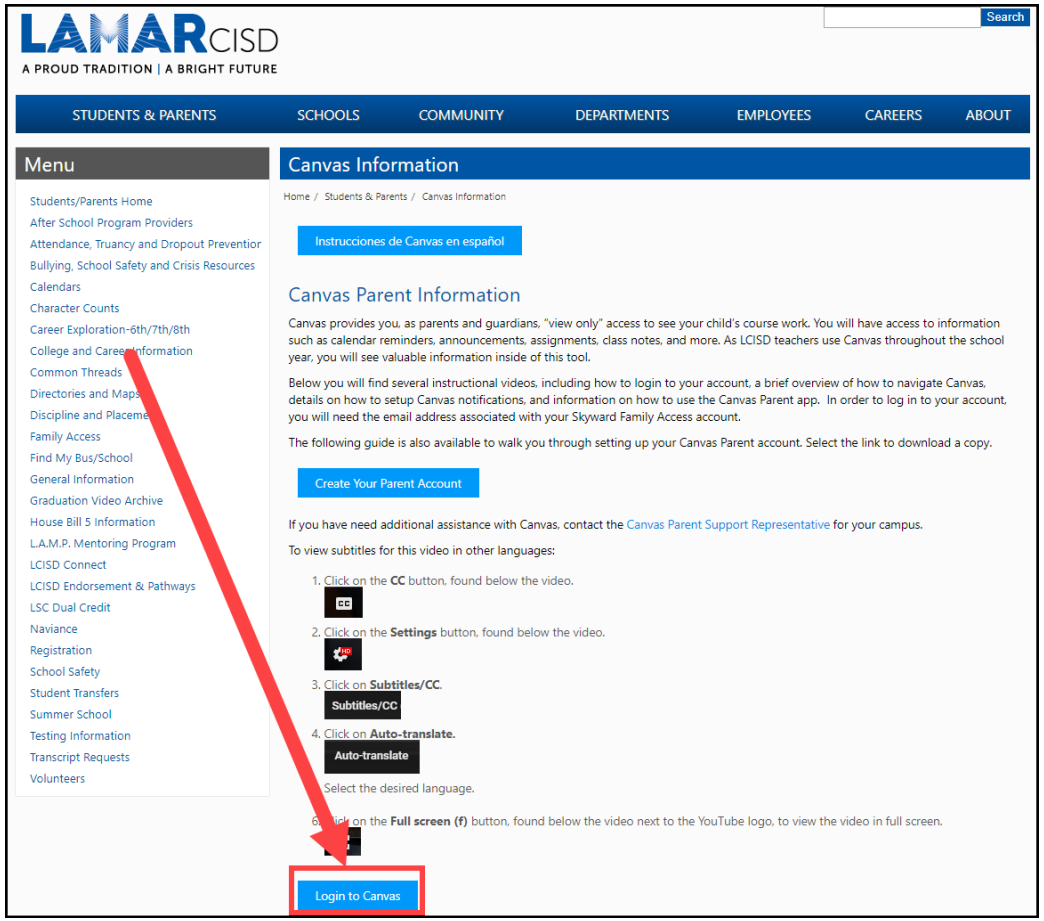
Select the **Login to Canvas** button
(or go to **canvas.lcisd.org**)



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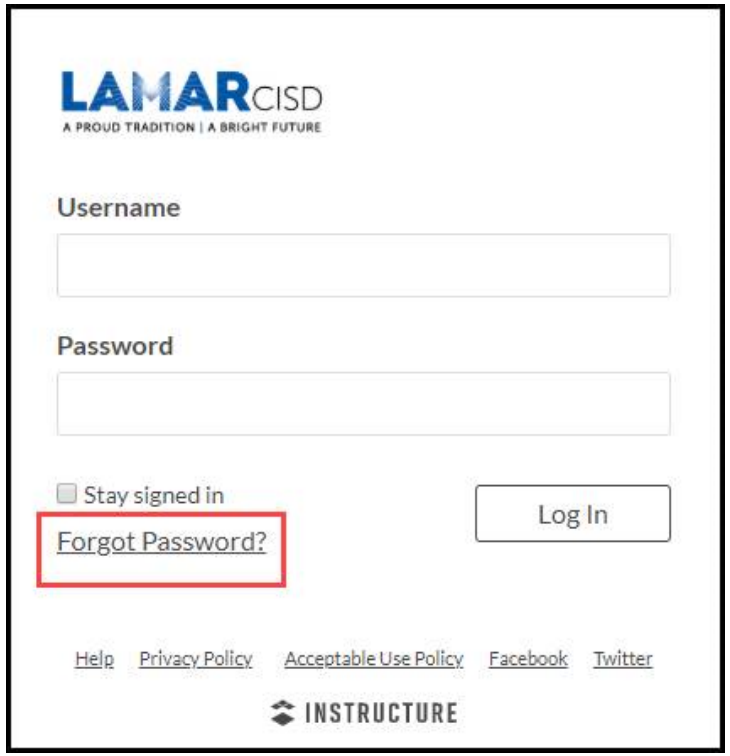

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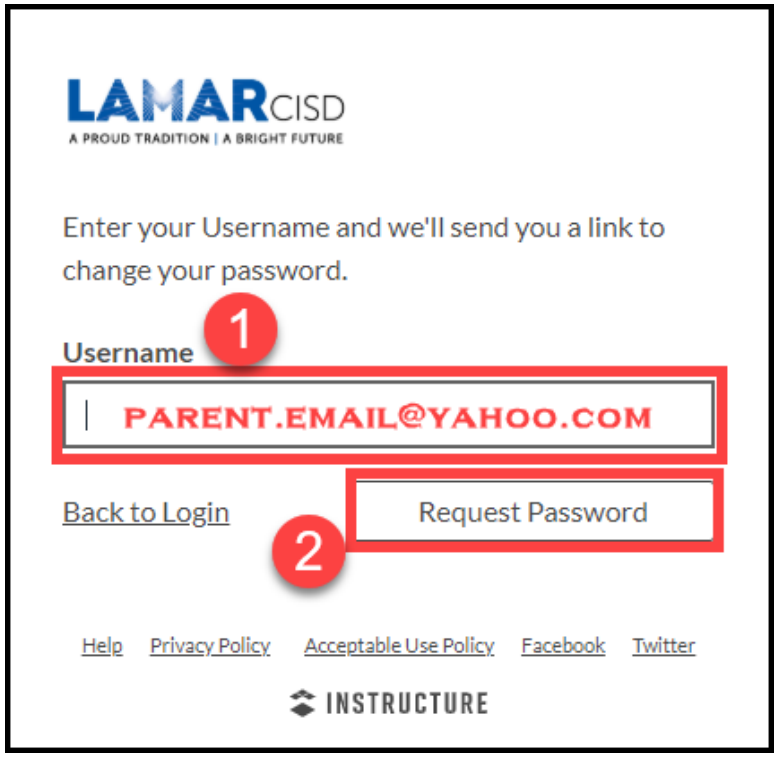
- Enter your **entire email address**
- Select **Request Password**



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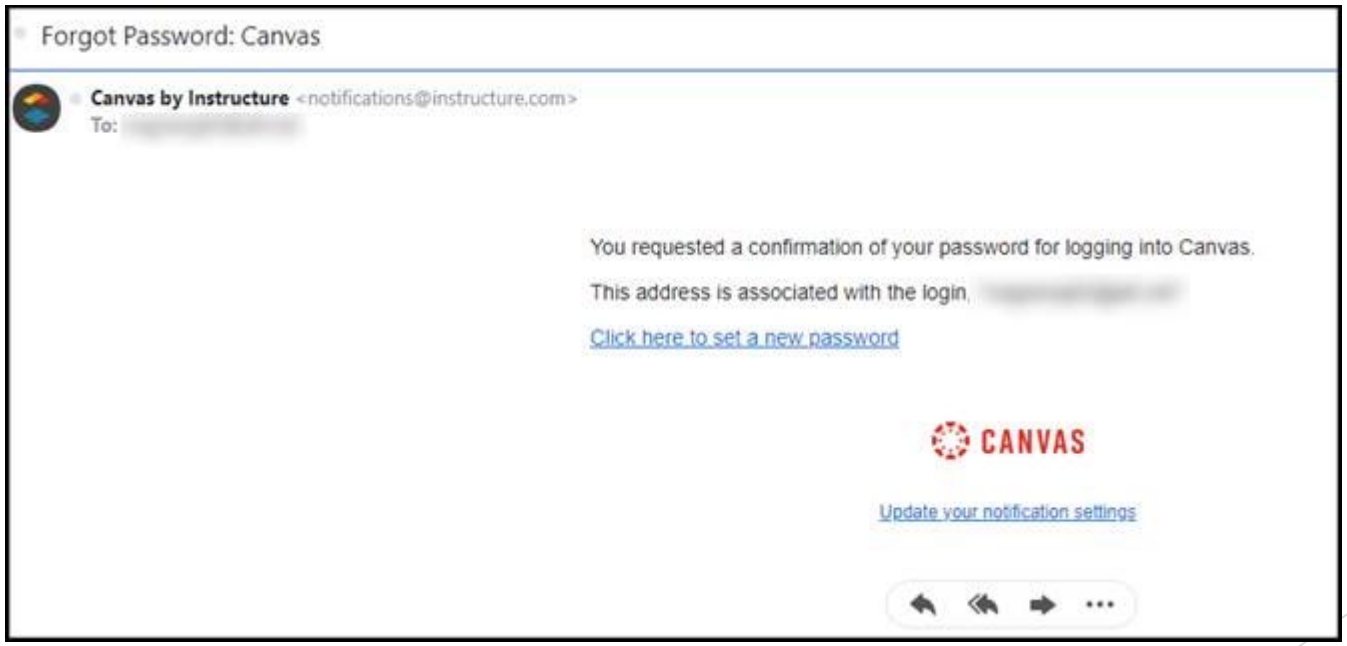
- Check your email for an email from Canvas by Instructure: notifications@instructure.com
- It may be in your junk folder
- Depending on requests, etc. it may take a number of hours to come through



Download the App

- We recommend downloading the Canvas **Student app** from your app store. It offers many more options.
- When using the Student app, parents still log in with the observer account credentials.

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

Questions?

Navigating Canvas

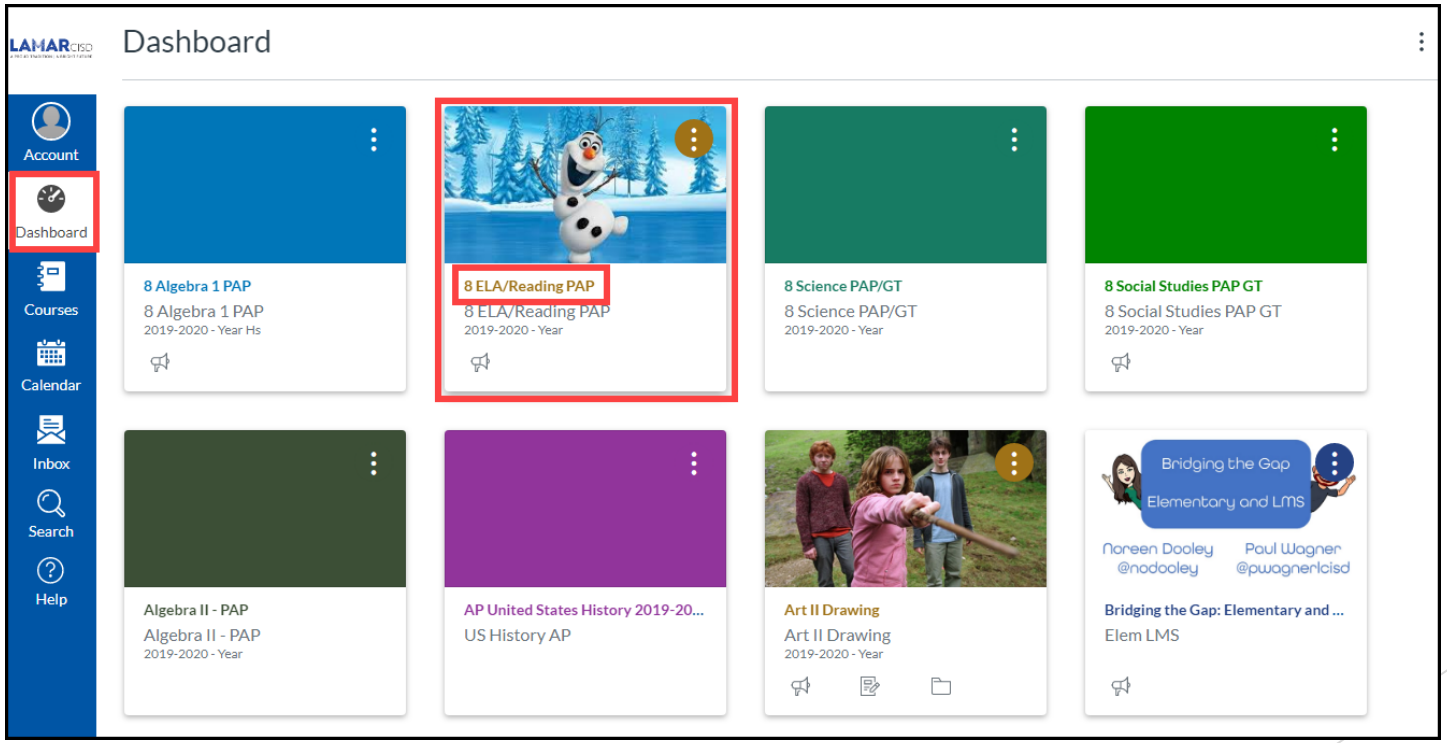
A Canvas course is created for each of your child's classes. We will take a look at different options in Canvas:

- Dashboard
- Courses
- Calendar
- Inbox

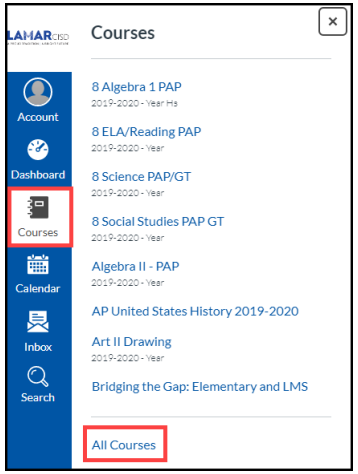
Global Navigation - The Dashboard

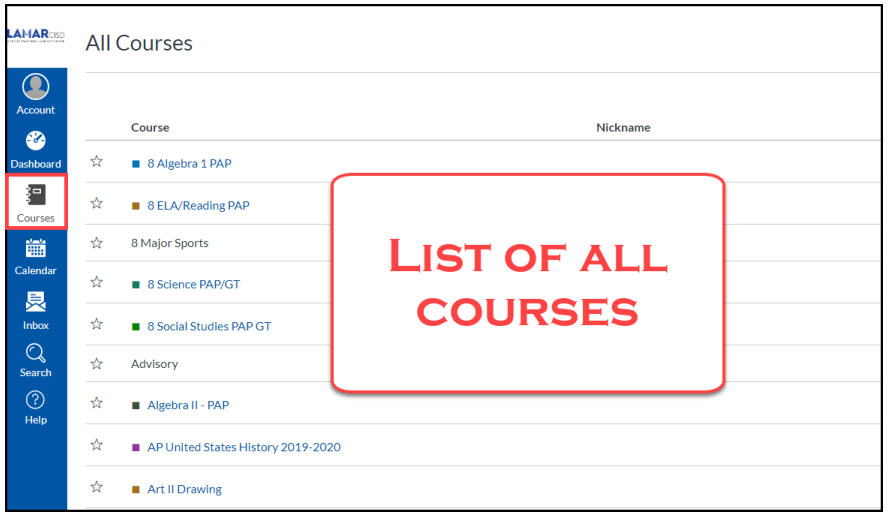
The Dashboard is where you land when you log in

- Each course has it's own card
- Select a card to visit that course



Global Navigation - Courses Option



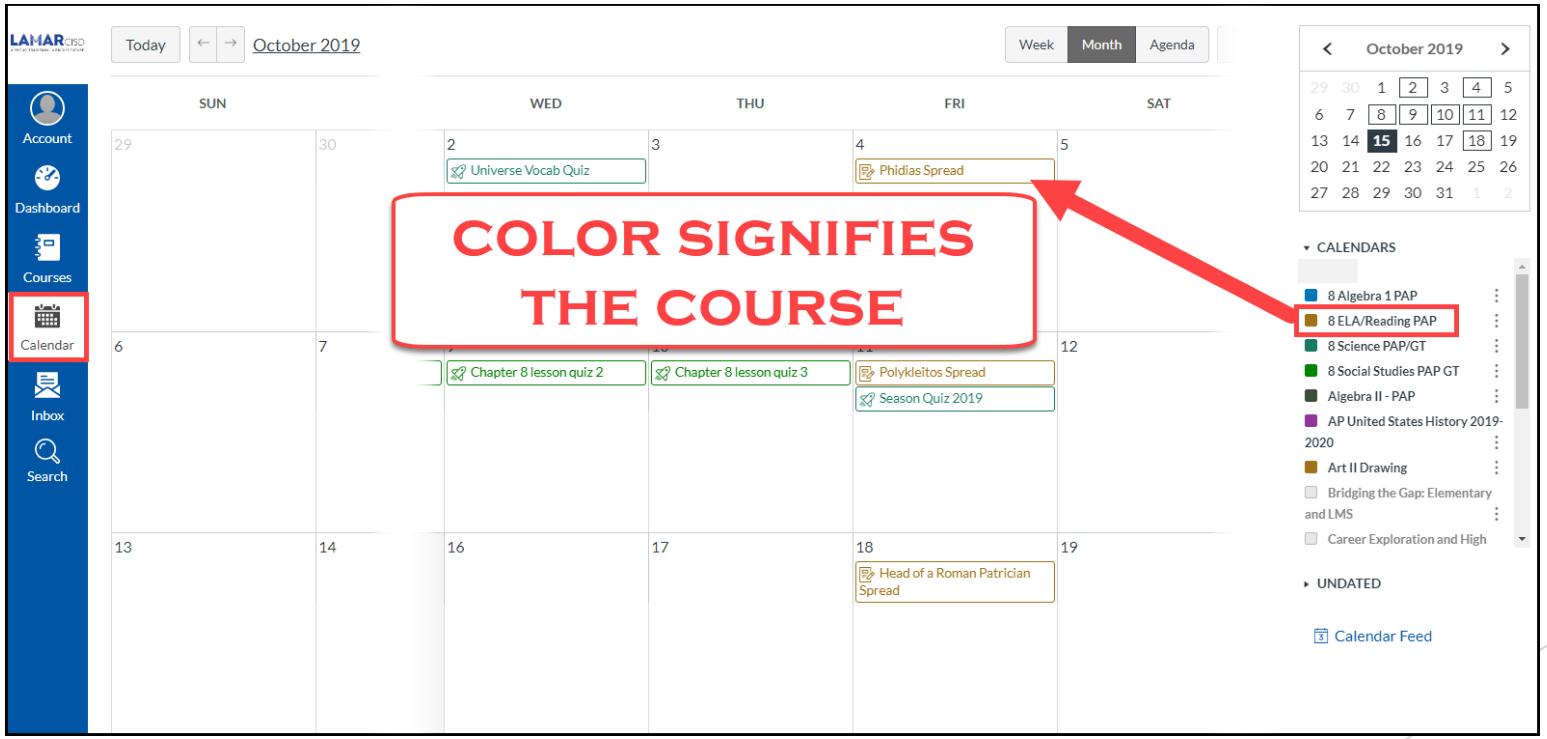


Select the Courses option to see a list of favorited courses, usually the current courses.

- Select a course to go to it immediately.
- Select **All Courses** at the bottom of the pop up to see a list of all courses.
- Courses in blue are published. Courses in gray are not.

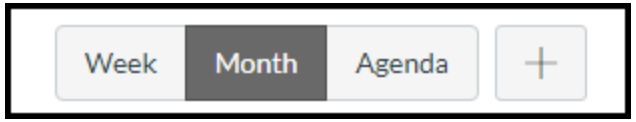
Global Navigation - Calendar Option

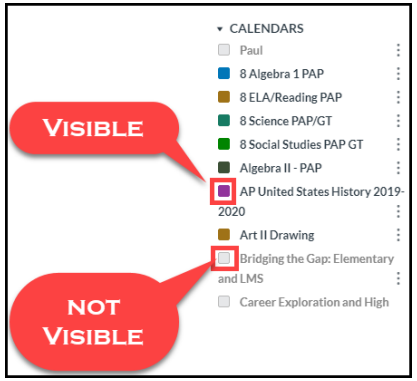
- All courses represented on one calendar
- The color of event matches color of course

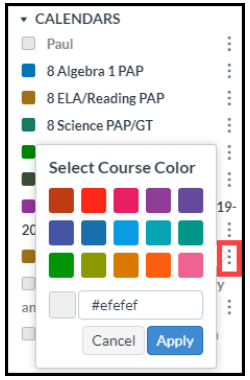


Global Navigation - Calendar Option

- Change the view of the calendar
- Color in box = visible calendar
  - Only 10 calendars can be selected to view at one time
- Change the color by clicking "…"

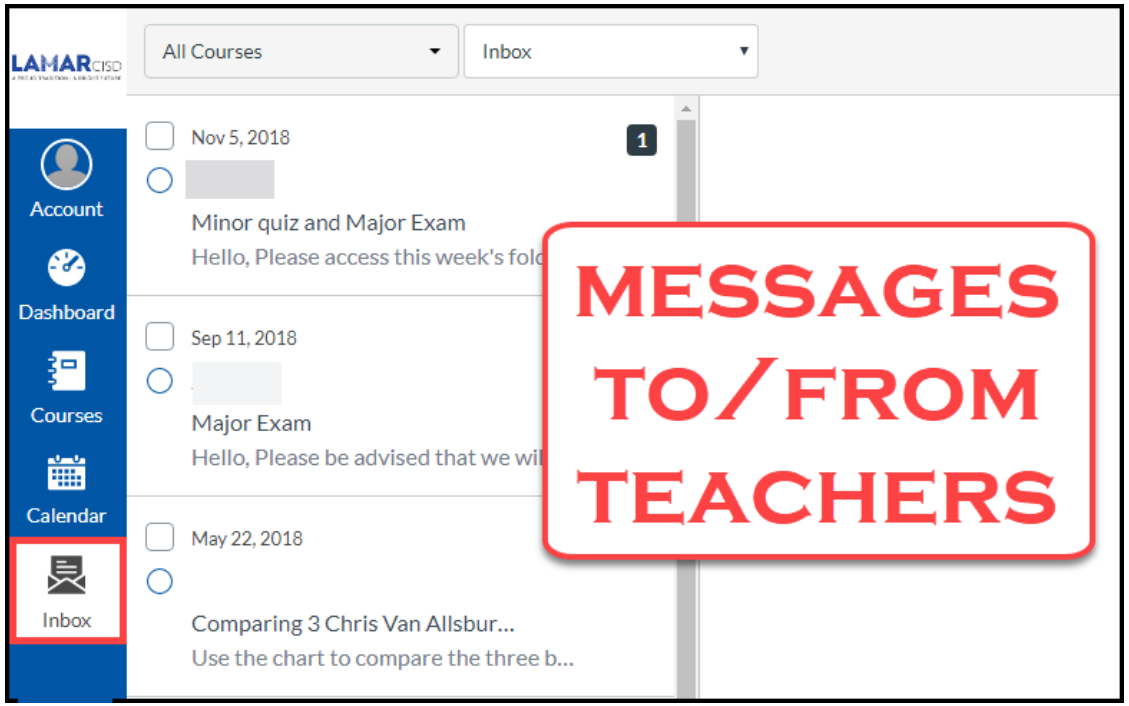






Global Navigation - Inbox Option

- Send to and/or receive messages from teachers
- Works much like email



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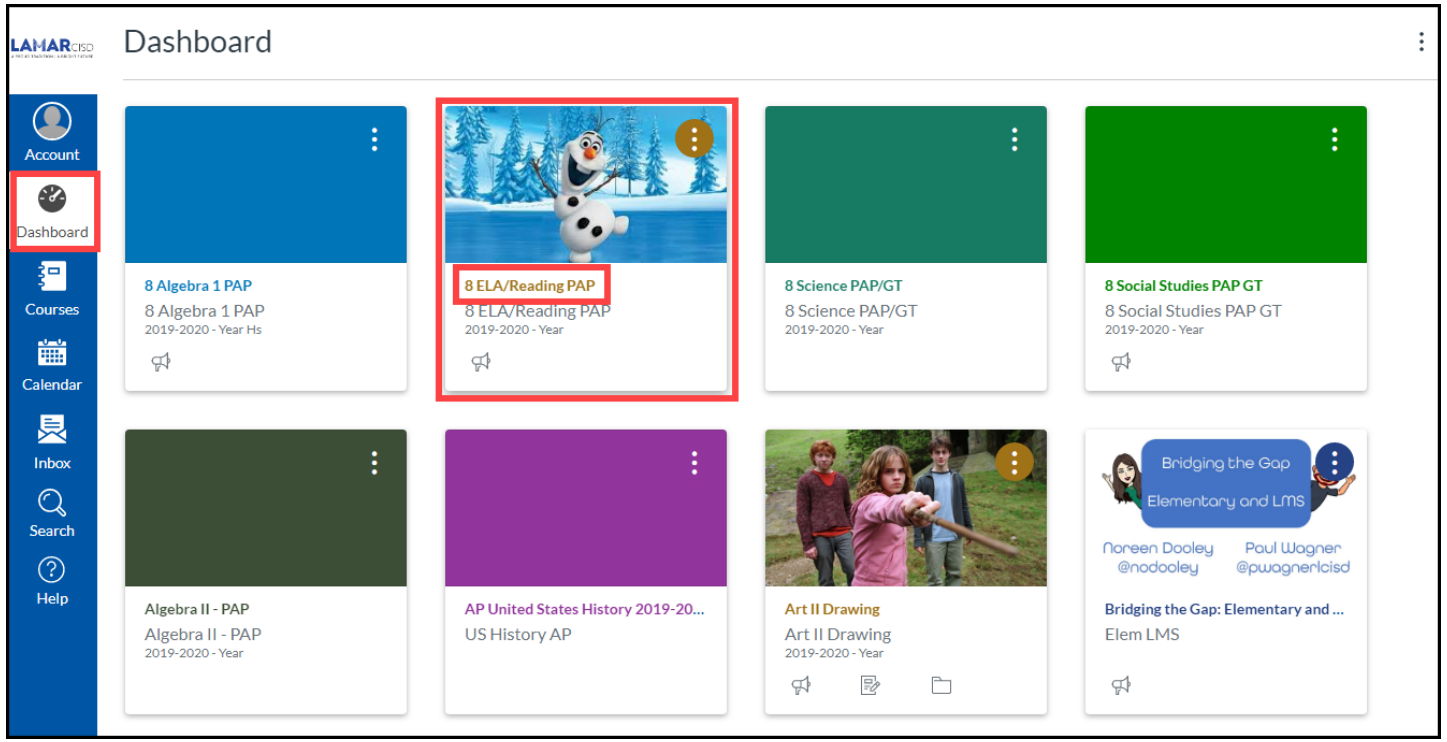
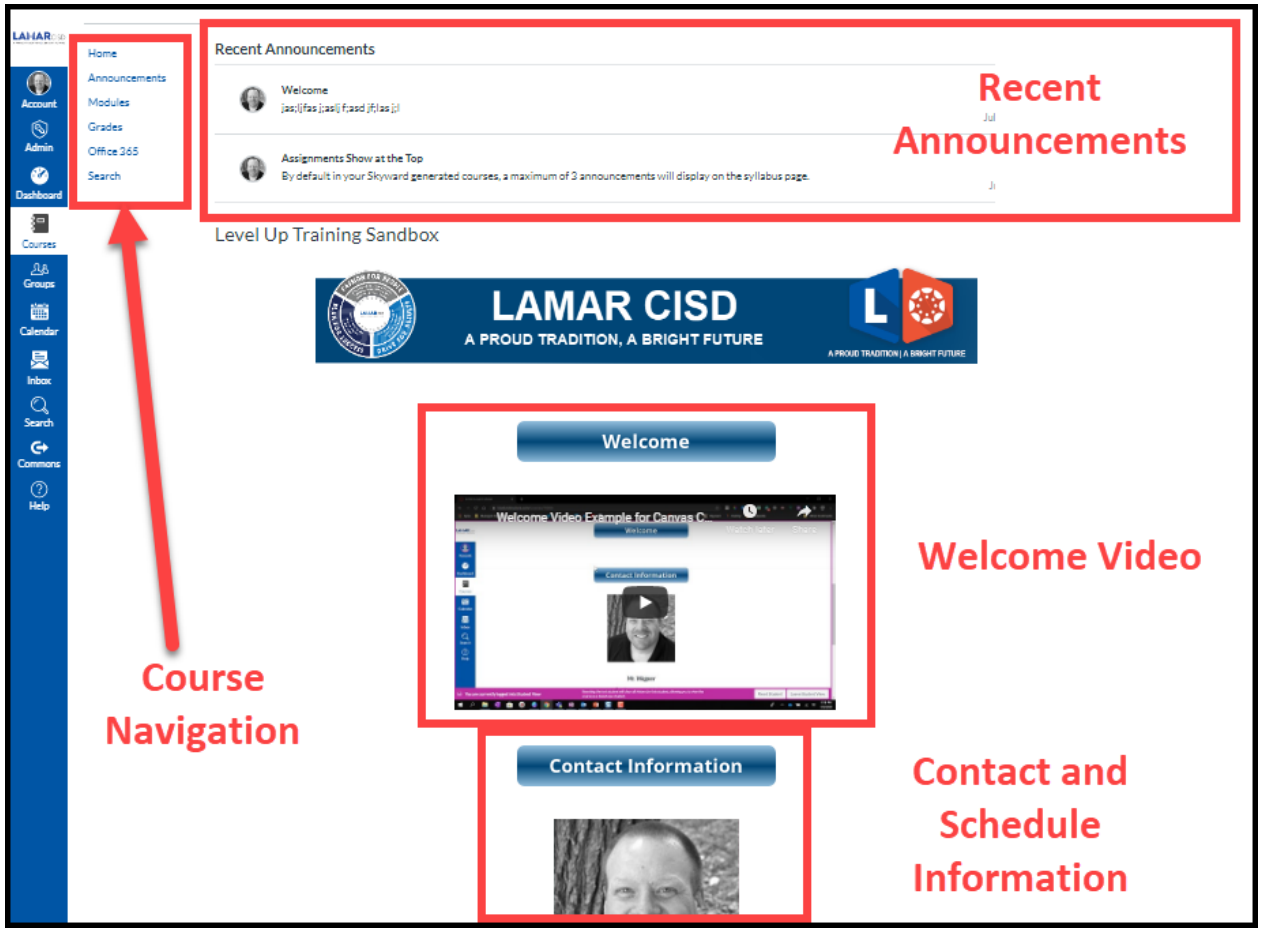


Inside a Course

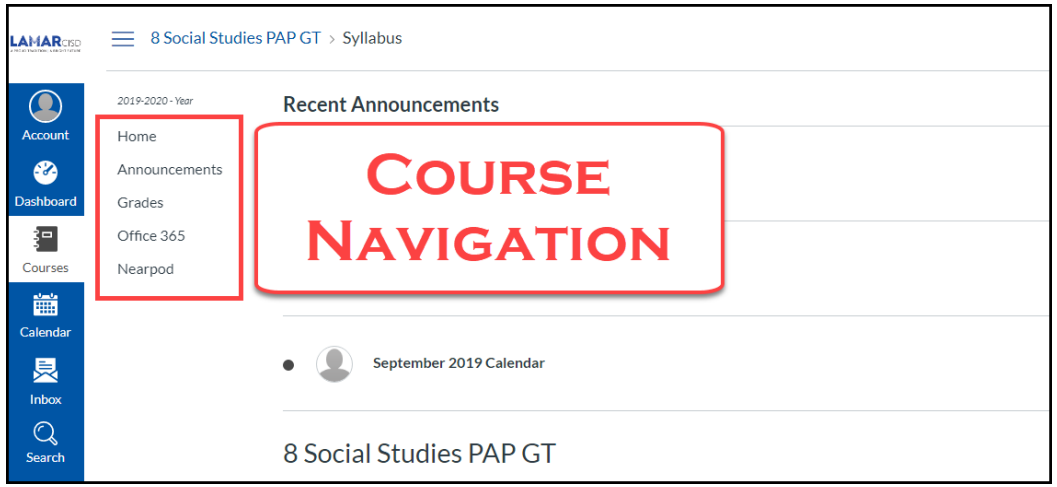
Syllabus (Home) Page



Syllabus page - This should be your course home page

- Recent Announcements on top
- Welcome Video
- Teacher Information
- Teacher Schedule
- Course Navigation

Course Navigation



Course navigation will look different for each course - teacher discretion

- Home page
- Announcements - view all announcements, not just recent
- Modules - like a table of contents. Use this to access learning experiences
- Grades - NOT THE OFFICIAL GRADEBOOK - **check Skyward**

Questions?

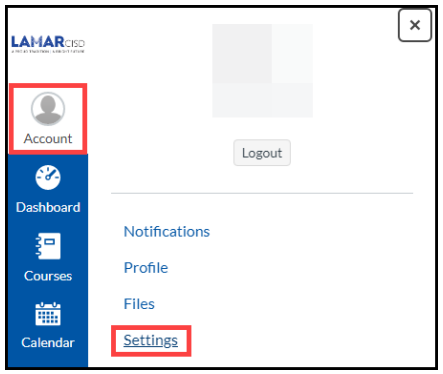
Notifications

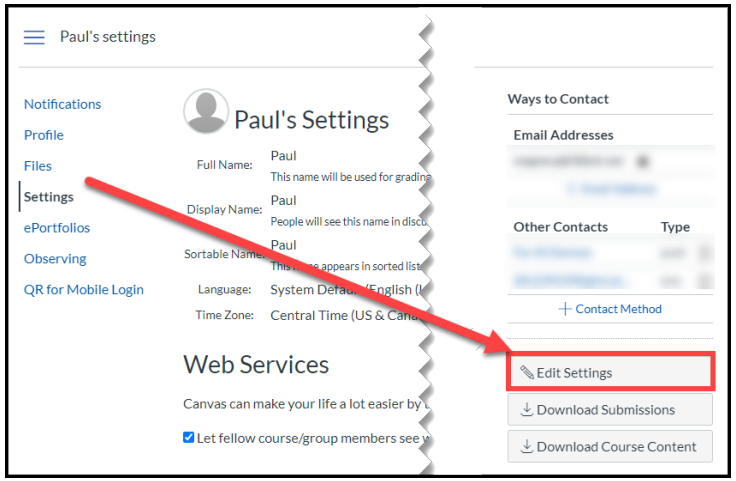
You can choose what type of notifications you receive, how often you receive them, AND where you receive them!

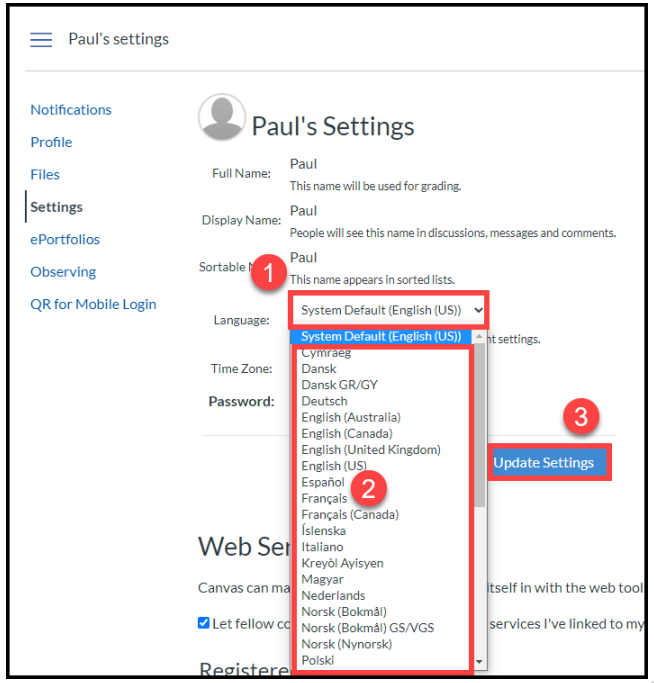
Language Settings

Change the default language:

- Account > Settings
- Edit Settings
- Select Language
- Update Settings







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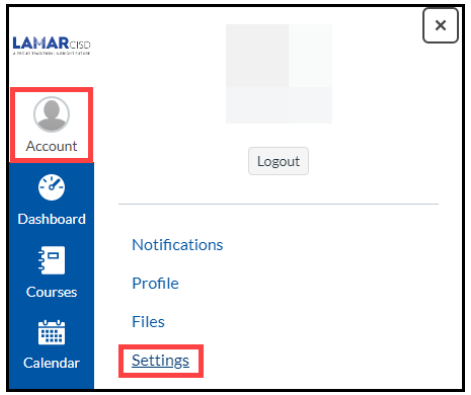
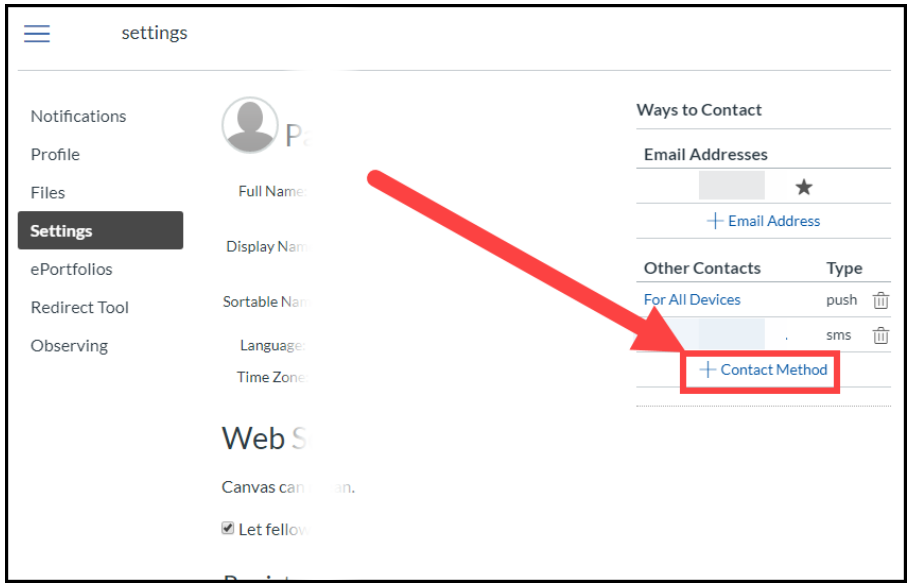
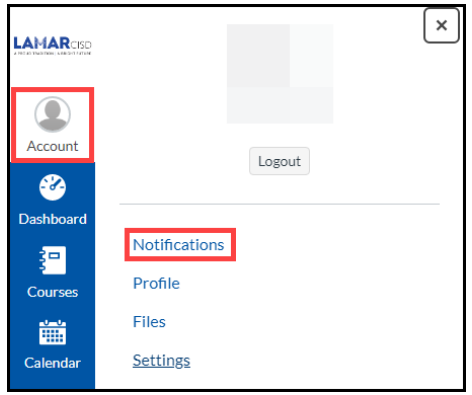




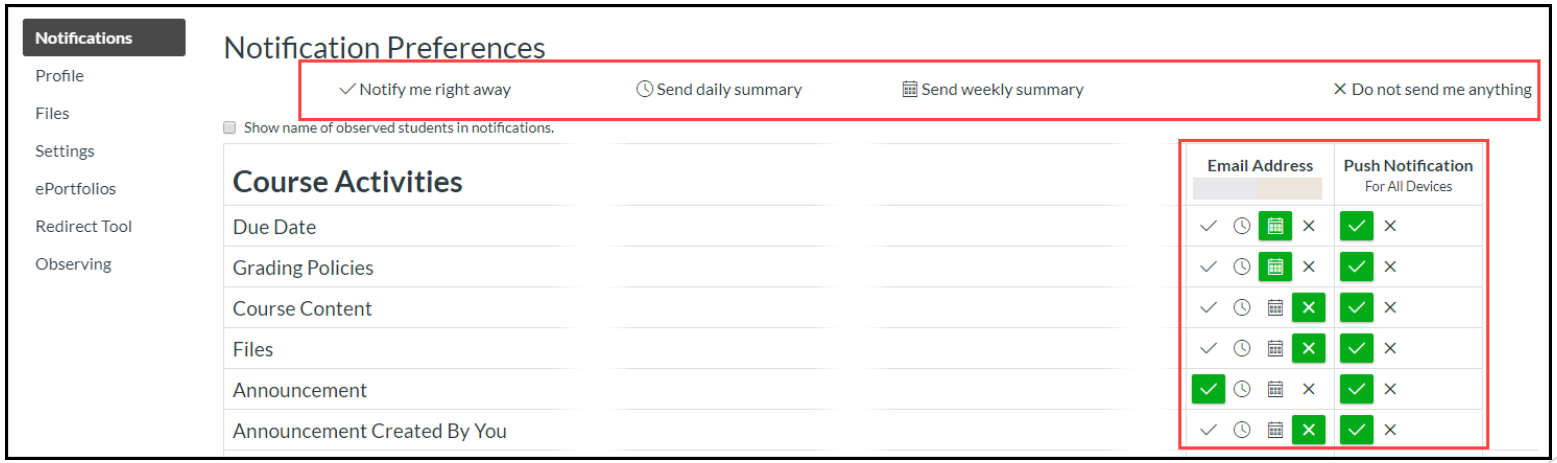
Add a Contact Method to receive notifications as text messages if you like:

- Account > Settings
- + Contact Method
- Add cell number and carrier
- Follow prompts

Recommended Settings



- Determine what you receive
  - Account > Notifications
  - Recommended
    - Announcement
    - Conversation Message
- Determine how often to receive



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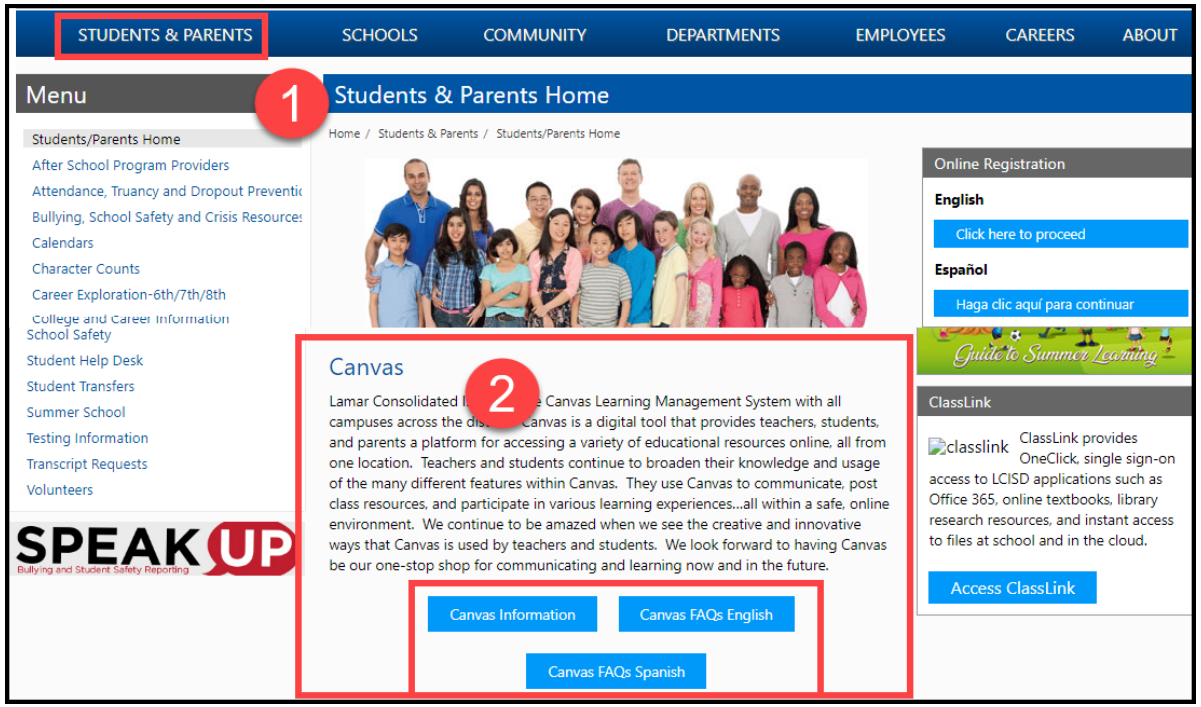
Resources

THE CANVAS TOOLBOX
CANVAS RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS AND OBSERVERS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Bullying, School Safety and Crisis Resource
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Guide to Summer Learning
Canvas
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Canvas is a digital tool that provides teachers, students, and parents a platform for accessing a variety of educational resources online, all from one location. Teachers and students continue to broaden their knowledge and usage of the many different features within Canvas. They use Canvas to communicate, post class resources, and participate in various learning experiences...all within a safe, online environment. We continue to be amazed when we see the creative and innovative ways that Canvas is used by teachers and students. We look forward to having Canvas be our one-stop shop for communicating and learning now and in the future.
Canvas Information
Canvas FAQs English
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ClassLink
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ClassLink provides OneClick, single sign-on access to LCISD applications such as Office 365, online textbooks, library research resources, and instant access to files at school and in the cloud.
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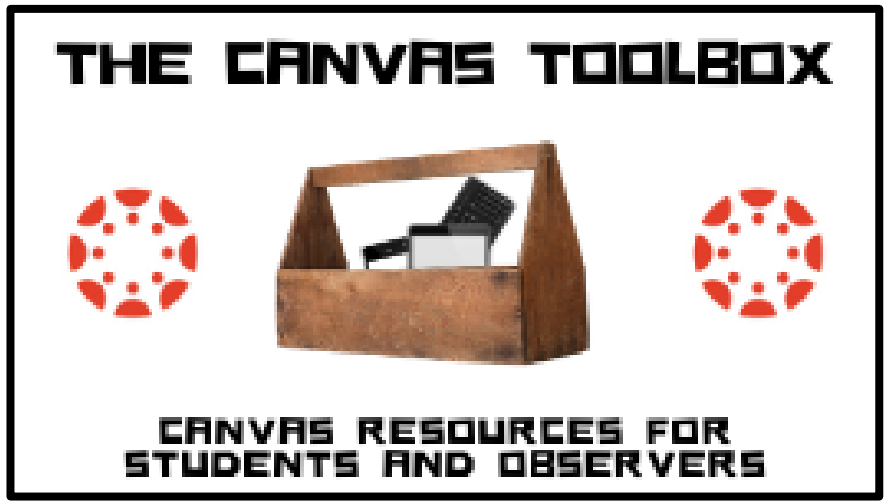
The Canvas Toolbox



- Provides resources to help with performing tasks and troubleshooting within Canvas

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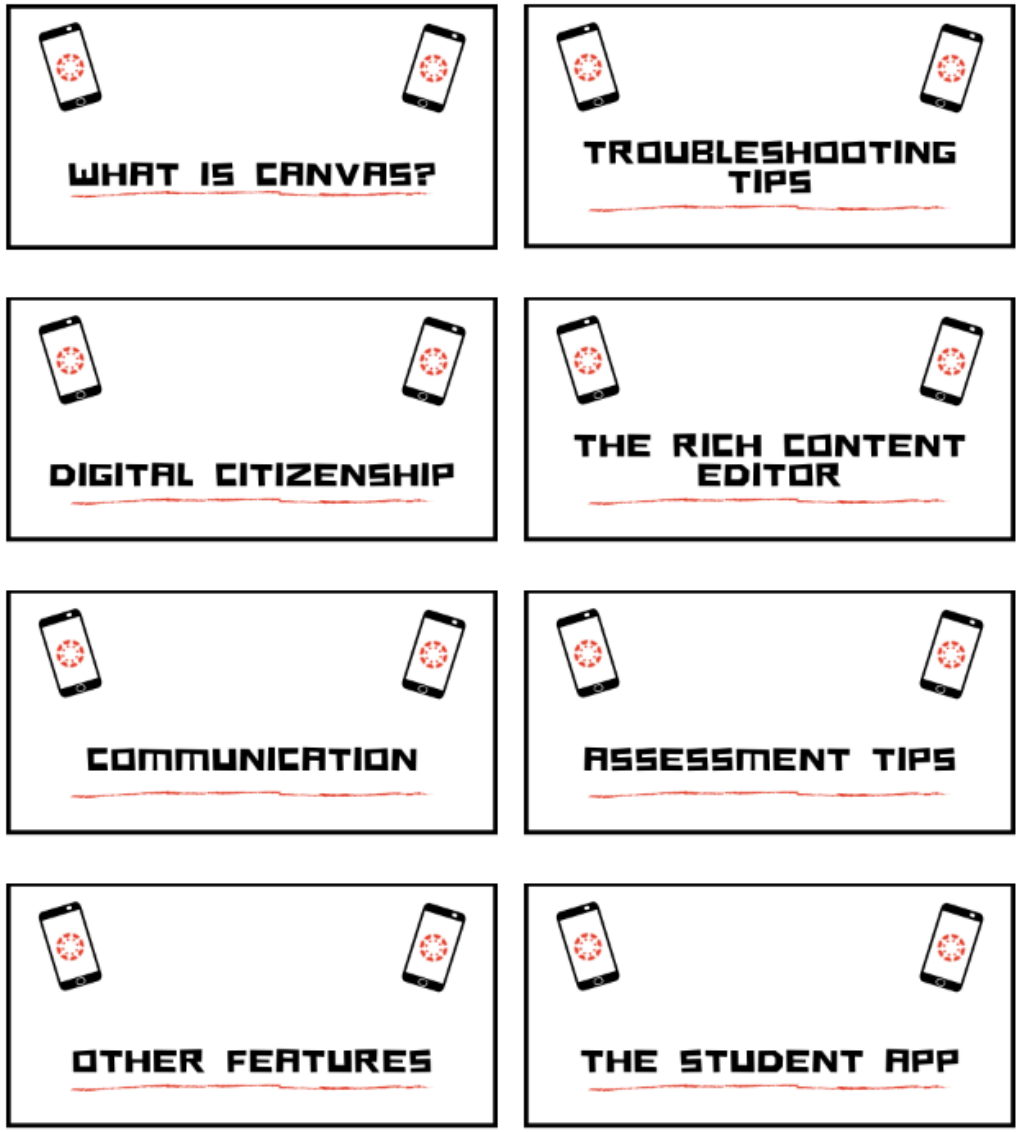

- Broken down into categories for easier navigation
- “The Rich Content Editor” is for adding text, etc. to a response
- Changing settings and notifications part of “What is Canvas”
- Canvas Inbox and Calendar under Communication

The LCISD Website – More Information

1. Select **Students and Parents**
2. Scroll down to **Canvas section**

- Canvas Information
  - Download a paper guide
  - Access the Canvas login page
  - Watch the video guides to review different features
- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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