Canvas is the learning management system (LMS) that connects the digital tools and resources teachers use in one easy place. Essentially, Canvas is an online learning environment. In Canvas, teachers can assign, collect, and grade student work while also sharing resources with parents and students.

How can I see my ?
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Observer Role Use
The main use of the observer role is to link an observer user to a student. Observers can be linked to one or multiple students and view the student's data in the course. Observers cannot submit work on behalf of the students they observe, but they can see grades, assignments and events, and course interactions.

Observers Can...	Observers cannot...	Observer Limitations
•View and read announcements • View assignments index page • View the calendar • Join conferences, if invited • Join collaborations, if invited • View personal inbox • Send conversation messages to instructor and student they are observing • View the dashboard • View and read discussions • View files unless they are locked • View grades of student they are observing and filter, view scores and dates, and print grades • View modules and see due dates, point values, etc. • View pages and contribute if the instructor enables the Anyone can edit it setting • View profile pictures, if available • View syllabus • View outcomes • View quizzes index page	• Comment on announcements or discussions • Submit assignments or quizzes • View course rosters • Send conversation messages to students in the course they are not observing • View locked files or folders • Join groups • View unpublished courses	• Observers are bound to the same prerequisites, requirements, lock dates, etc. as the student they are observing. • Observers can only view the content the student they are observing has access to. • Observers can view assignments even if the student they are observing has not completed them unless the assignments are locked. • Each Instructor can customize the links in the Course Navigation and limit the number of features that Students and Observers can see. Observers may or may not see links to certain features.

WEBSITE OPTION

How do I sign up for a Canvas account as a parent (Observer role)?

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Please read the following notes carefully prior to setting up your parent/observer account:

• Observers will create a Canvas account using the institution's Canvas URL. These steps are relevant to any institution that allows the self-registration banner on their Canvas URL login page.

• To observe a student, you must know the student's Canvas username and password.

• The student must be enrolled in the course and must accept the course invitation before you can sign up to observe the student. If you receive an invalid username or password message during the signup process and the student's credentials are correct, check with the student to verify that he or she has received and accepted the course invitation.

• Observers may be able to view student information through the Canvas Parent app, though Canvas Parent accounts are separate from web accounts created in Canvas.

Open Canvas URL

In a browser window, enter the Canvas registration URL: eufaula.instructure.com/login/canvas

Click to Register

Click the account link at the top of the page

Sign up as a Parent (Free Account)

Click the **Parents sign up here** link
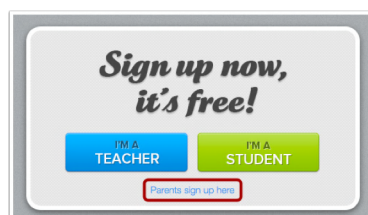
Enter Signup Details

Enter your name, email address, your student's username (S#@ecsk12.org), and your student's password (firstinitiallastinitialMMDDYY). Be sure to agree to the terms of use by clicking the checkbox. Then click the **Start Participating** button.
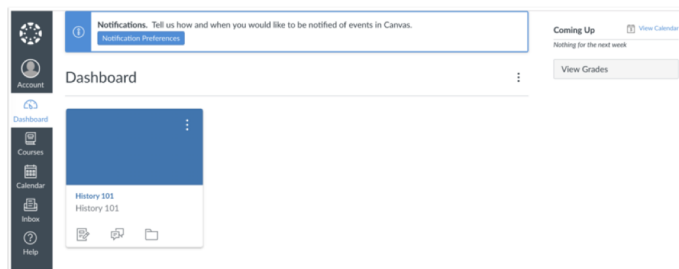

Note: Students can generate **pairing codes** from their User Settings. Depending on institution permissions, admins and instructors may also be able to generate pairing codes.
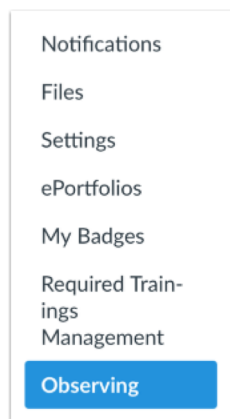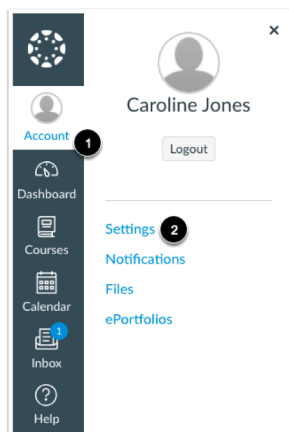
Begin Observing

You can begin observing your student in Canvas immediately.

Add Additional Student(s) to Observe (optional)

1. Click **Account**, then click **Settings**.

2. Click the **Observing** link.

3. Type the **Student Pairing Code** and click the **Add Student** button.

4. View the paired student.

SMART PHONE APP OPTION
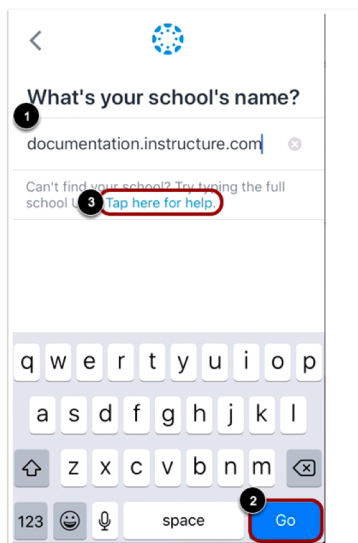
Download the Canvas Parent App

In your smart phone's App Store, download the Canvas Parent app. The icon is blue. Make sure you are NOT downloading the student app, or these directions will not work.

PARENT

Find your school

Tap **Find My School** and begin typing "Eufaula." In the search list, you should see "Eufaula City Schools- Parents." Tap on that option in the list.

Enter Login Credentials

Enter your username and password or, if you do not have an account, tap **Create Account** and follow the on-screen directions.