

Parent Canvas Accounts

In Canvas parents will be enrolled as an Observer in their child/children's course(s).

What can Parents do in a Canvas course?

In Canvas, parents will have limited permission that will allow them to see what is going on in the course without interrupting the flow of daily course communication. Parents will not be able to submit work on behalf of their children, but they can view their grades, upcoming Assignments, course Calendar, and read Announcements and Discussion in the course.

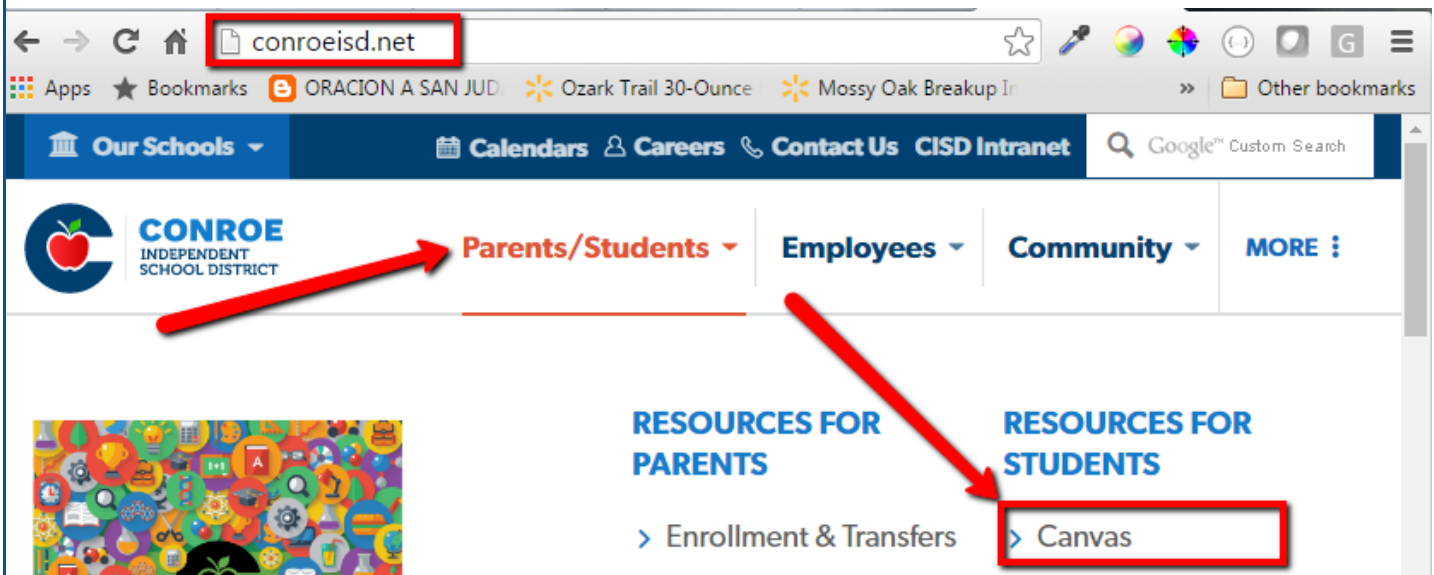
How do I sign up for a Canvas account as a Parent?

Parents must provide their personal email address to their children's school (make sure that it's the same address if multiple children are enrolled at different schools). If no email address is on file in the system, an account cannot be created.

Where do I go to log in?

Canvas works best with Chrome, in the URL address bar type in:

<https://conroeisd.instructure.com>



Or head over to www.conroeisd.net which is the district's main website and click on the "Parent/Students" link

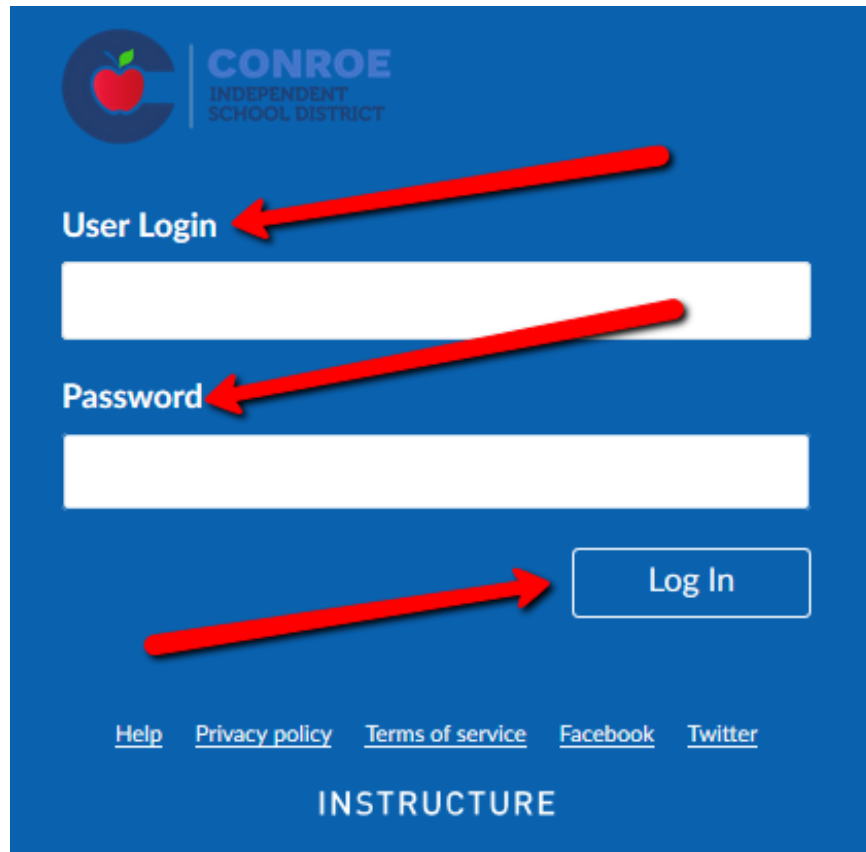
Click on "Canvas" listed under "Resources for Students"

Canvas log in screen will display.

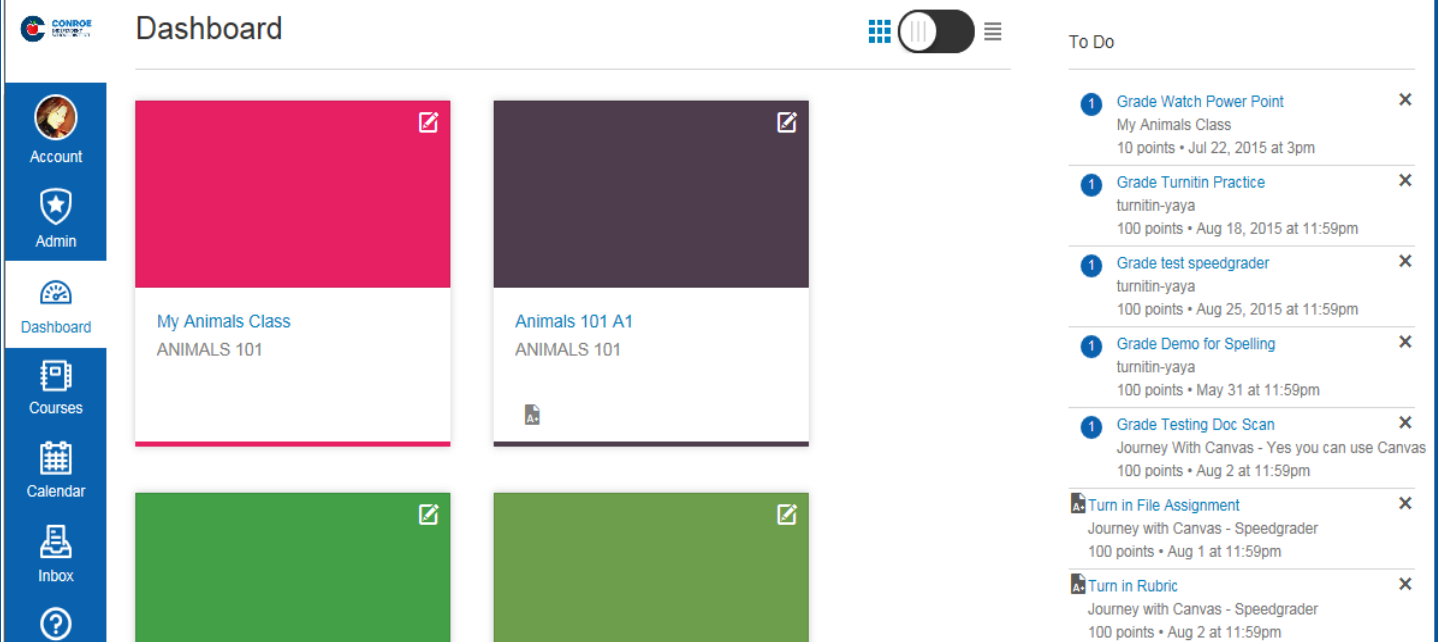
User Login: This is where you type in the primary email address you provided the school

Password: Type in the password you use for Parent Access

Click on "Log In":



The image shows the Canvas login interface for Conroe Independent School District. At the top left is the district logo, which includes a red apple icon and the text "CONROE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT". Below the logo, the text "User Login" is displayed with a red arrow pointing to a white input field. Below that, the text "Password" is displayed with a red arrow pointing to another white input field. To the right of the password field is a "Log In" button, with a red arrow pointing to it. At the bottom of the login area, there are links for "Help", "Privacy policy", "Terms of service", "Facebook", and "Twitter". The word "INSTRUCTURE" is centered at the very bottom of the page.



The image shows the Canvas Dashboard for a user. On the left is a vertical sidebar with icons and labels for "Account", "Admin", "Dashboard", "Courses", "Calendar", and "Inbox". The main area is titled "Dashboard" and features a grid of course tiles. The first row has two tiles: "My Animals Class ANIMALS 101" (pink) and "Animals 101 A1 ANIMALS 101" (dark purple). The second row has two green tiles. On the right side, there is a "To Do" list with seven items, each with a blue circle containing the number 1, a title, a description, a point value, a due date, and a close button (X). The items are: "Grade Watch Power Point", "Grade Turnitin Practice", "Grade test speedgrader", "Grade Demo for Spelling", "Grade Testing Doc Scan", "Turn in File Assignment", and "Turn in Rubric".

Item	Points	Due Date
Grade Watch Power Point	10 points	Jul 22, 2015 at 3pm
Grade Turnitin Practice	100 points	Aug 18, 2015 at 11:59pm
Grade test speedgrader	100 points	Aug 25, 2015 at 11:59pm
Grade Demo for Spelling	100 points	May 31 at 11:59pm
Grade Testing Doc Scan	100 points	Aug 2 at 11:59pm
Turn in File Assignment	100 points	Aug 1 at 11:59pm
Turn in Rubric	100 points	Aug 2 at 11:59pm

How do I set my Notification Preferences?

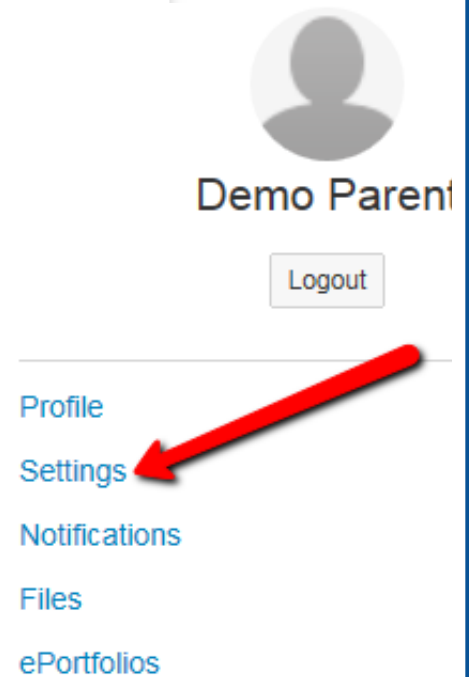


At the left hand-side of the Dashboard click on "Account" to access user settings:

Select "Settings" from the available menu options:

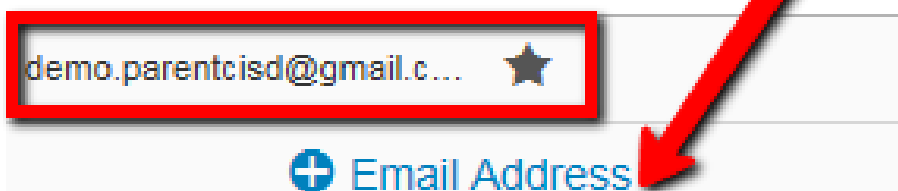
- ◇ Canvas includes a set of default notification preferences
- ◇ You can set your own Canvas notification preferences
- ◇ These settings apply for all courses: you cannot change for individual courses

Ways to Contact will have your email address used to create your Parent Access account, but you are able to add more email addresses if you wish. Just select the "+ Email Address" option:



Ways to Contact


Email Addresses

A screenshot of the 'Email Address' input field. The field is labeled 'Email Address' and is currently empty. It is enclosed in a red rectangular box. Below the field is a blue button labeled 'Register Email'. A red arrow points from the bottom of the red box to this button.

Enter email address and click on "Register Email":

And/Or

Under Other Contacts you can also add your cell phone number in order to get text message notifications, just select "Add Contact Method" to add your cell number:

Other Contacts	Type
5555552040@tmomail.net	sms
 	
 Contact Method	


Select "Country" from the drop down menu and enter cell phone number and click on "Register SMS":

Register Communication


[Email](#) [Text \(SMS\)](#)

Country [Select Country] ▼

Cell Number

 [Register SMS](#)

Select "Notifications" from the available menu options:

- Notifications**
 - Profile
 - Files
 - Settings
 - ePortfolios
 - My Badges
 - Observing
- 

You can view and set notification preferences for each contact method previously set.

Under "Notification Preferences" you will see a column for each contact method, in my sample I have my email address and my cell phone:

Notification Preferences

Course Activities	Email Address	Cell Number
	demo.parentcisd@gmail.com	5555552040@tmomail.net

There are four options that you can select for each contact method for each listed activity:

1. Select the **Check Mark** icon to be notified immediately of any changes for that activity.
2. Select the **Clock** icon to be notified daily of any changes for the activity.
3. Select the **Calendar** icon to be notified weekly of any change for the activity.
4. Select the **X** icon to remove the notification preference so you won't be notified of any changes for the activity.

Notification Preferences

✓ Notify me right away ⌚ Send daily summary 📅 Send weekly summary ✕ Do not send me anything

Course Activities	Email Address ysmall@conroeisd.net	Push Notification For All Devices
Due Date	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Grading Policies	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Course Content	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Files	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Announcement	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Announcement Created By You	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕

Once you select a preference you will see the selected icon in a green box.



The Conroe logo icon on the top left hand side of screen will always take you back to your user dashboard or you can click on "Dashboard".



Account



Dashboard



Courses



Calendar



Inbox

All the links you see to the left are part of your Global Navigation and you will have access to them from anywhere in Canvas.

Click on "Courses" to see a list of available courses in which your children are scheduled.

Select any of the courses listed to be able to view the content of that course.

Example:

Language Arts 202 is a course tied to my 2nd grade child

Biology B 1 is tied to my HS child



Account



Dashboard



Courses



Calendar



Inbox

Courses

Biology B 1

Language Arts 202

Math 202

Social Studies 202

Spanish B 3

Theater Art B 4

All Courses

NOTE: You will only be able to view courses that

have been published by the teacher; if a course is not listed then that course has not been published yet.

Dashboard will also display courses from the "courses" link; you can personalize color and give the course a "nick name" if you wish by selecting the gear icon or you can toggle and see a "Recent Activity" list instead.

Dashboard

Click gear to toggle to Recent Activity "view"

Click on dots to edit color and/or give this course a "nick name".

[Start Here](#)

[Start](#)



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Dashboard



Recent Activity



4 Announcements
[UTechHelp](#) and [Canvas Help](#)

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1 Conversation Message
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3 Assignment Notifications
[testing](#), [Assignments](#), and [eSchoolPlus](#)

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4 Discussions
[UTechHelp](#) and [Canvas Help](#)

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Calendar

The calendar will give you an overview of what is going on in each course. You will be able to see assignments, quizzes, discussions and events that have been posted by teachers.

Click on "Calendar" from the global navigation menu.

Everything on the calendar is color coordinated; you will see all courses listed under "Calendars". As long as the course is selected you will be able to see all data for the calendar:

The screenshot displays the Canvas LMS interface. On the left, a blue navigation sidebar contains links for Account, Dashboard, Courses, Calendar (highlighted with a red arrow), and Inbox. The main content area shows a monthly calendar for August 2016. The calendar is color-coded by course: pink for Spanish B 3, blue for Language Arts 202, purple for Social Studies 202, and teal for Theater Art B 4. Events include 'Key Indicators Quiz', 'Mission to Mars Field Trip', 'SUPPLY LIST', 'ePortfolio and Canvas Explorator', 'Pythagore: Theorem and Spiral', '3rd Qtr Progress Reports', 'TEST: SW Asia Culture/Re', 'CNN Quiz 2', and 'Extra Credit Due'. On the right, a panel titled 'Calendars' lists the courses with checkboxes and three-dot menus. Below this is a section for 'Undated items' with a 'Calendar Feed' link.

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1	2 Key Indicators Quiz SUPPLY LIST	3 Mission to Mars Field Trip	4	5	6
7	8	9 ePortfolio and Canvas Explorator Pythagore: Theorem and Spiral	10 3rd Qtr Progress Reports TEST: SW Asia Culture/Re	11	12 CNN Quiz 2 Extra Credit Due	13

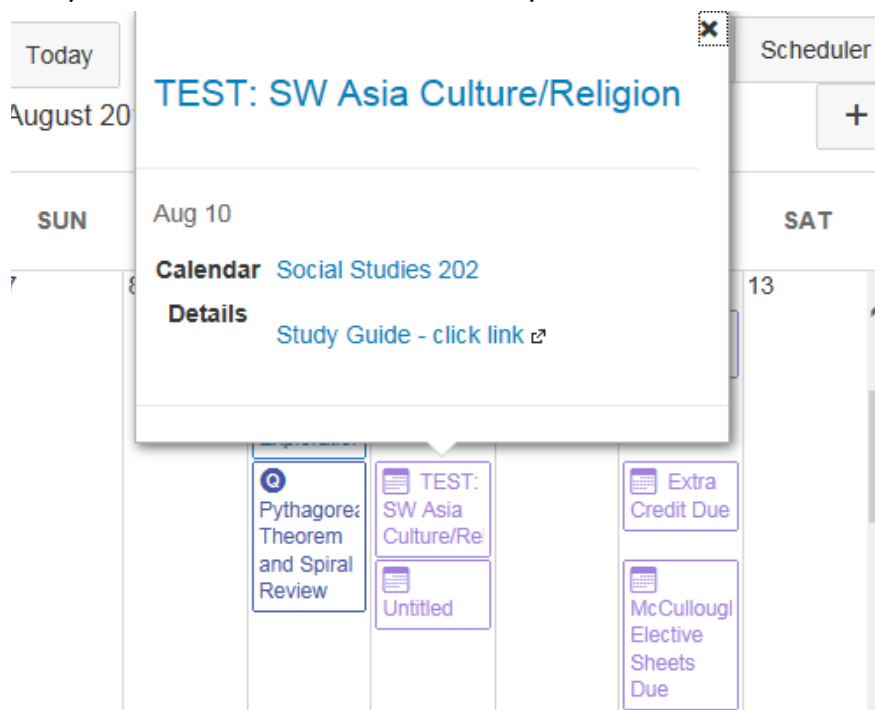
Calendars

- ☐ Demo Parent
- ☐ Biology B 1
- ☐ Language Arts 202
- ☐ Math 202
- ☐ Social Studies 202
- ☐ Spanish B 3
- ☐ Theater Art B 4

Undated items

Calendar Feed

If you click on any of the items on the calendar you will be able to see more details:

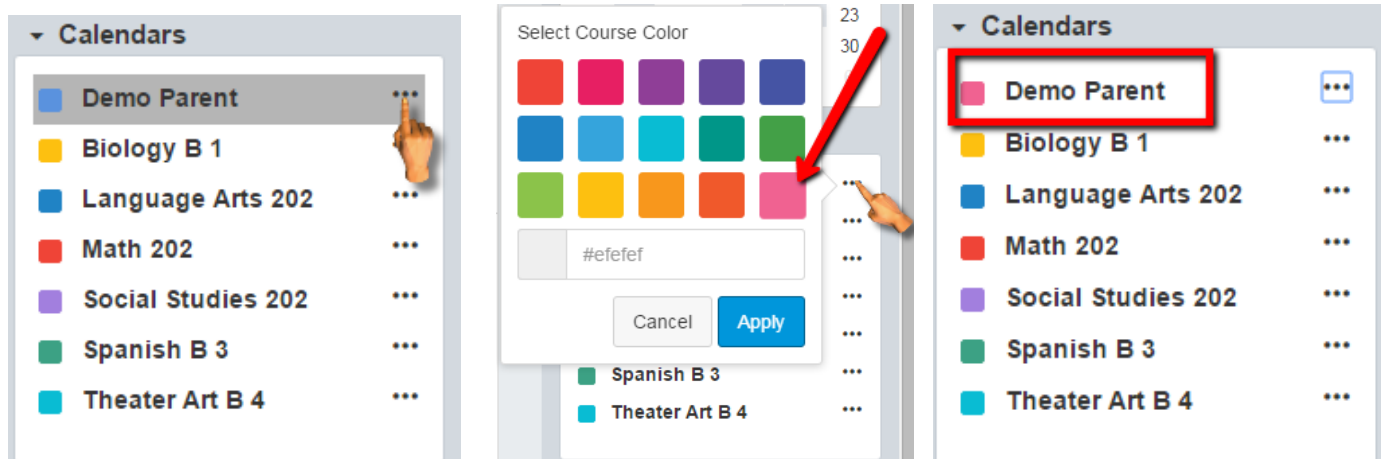


You can customize the color of each course (or on the dashboard)

Click on the three dots next to the course

Select the color from the color choices, then click "Apply"

That will now be the new color associated with that course



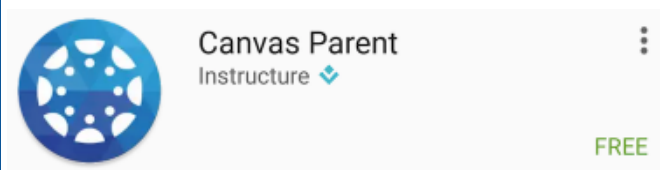
Android App for Canvas

Canvas has an app available for Android users.

Open the Play Store (Android).

In the search field, type Canvas by Instructure and select the app.

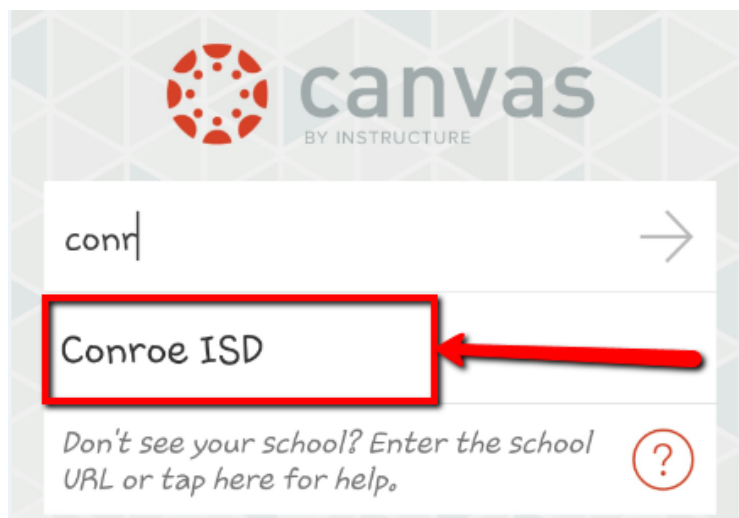
Select "Install" to install the app on your device:



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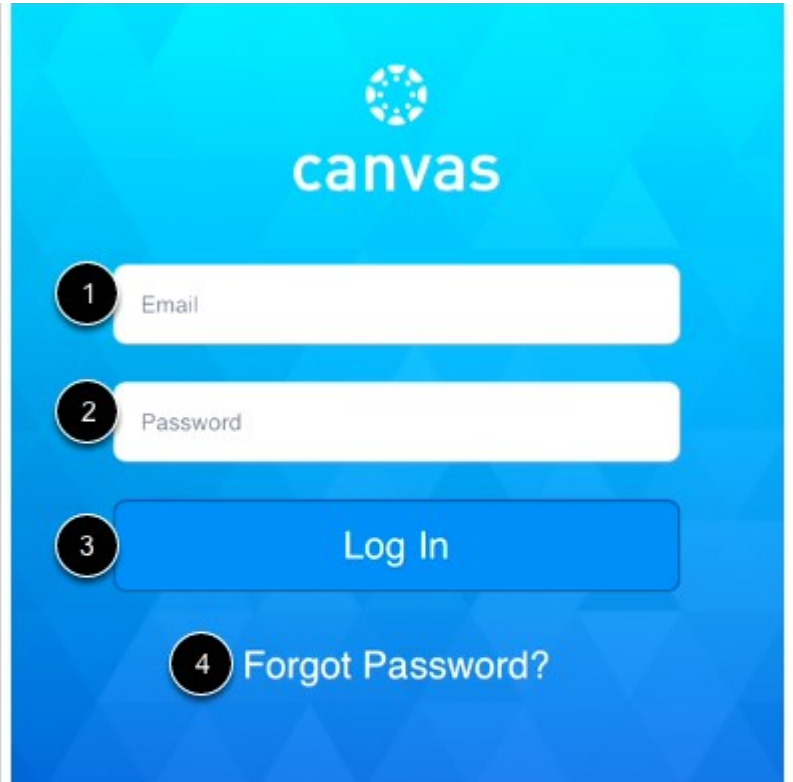
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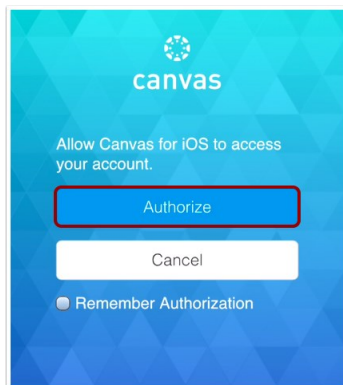
Enter your login credentials (Parent Access credentials):

1. Enter email
2. Enter password
3. Select on "Log In"
4. **This link does not work**, if you forget your password use the forgot password link in Parent Access. It will take 24hrs to update to Canvas.

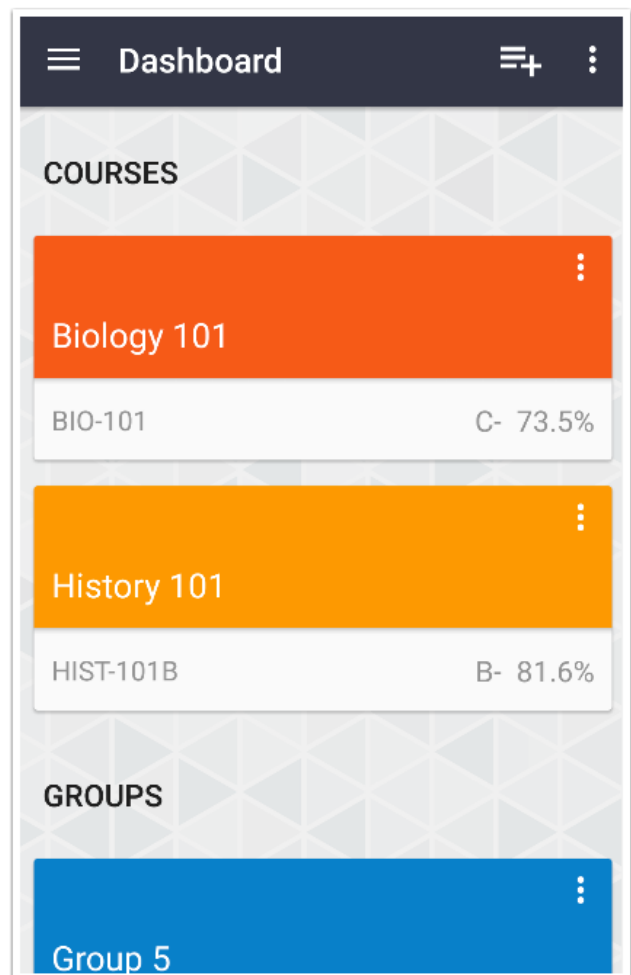
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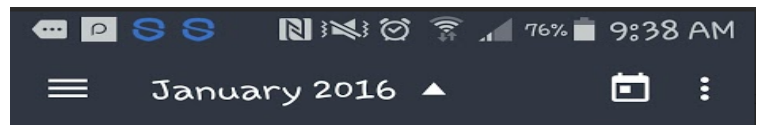
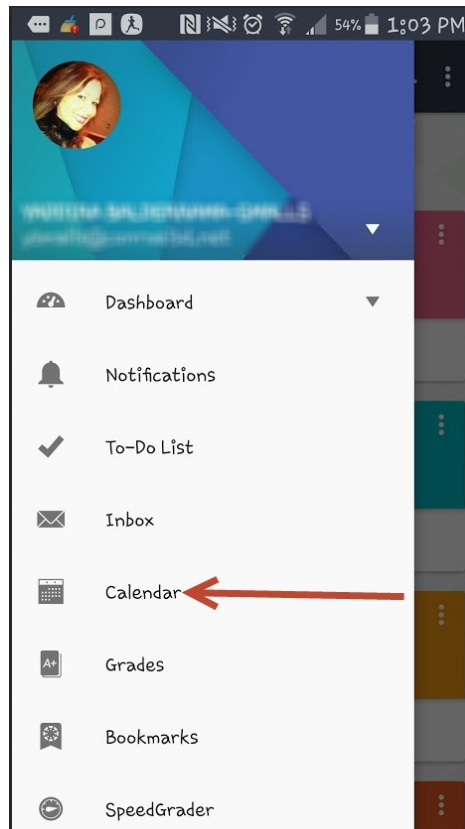
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Select the hamburger menu to open additional menu options:



Select the "Calendar" option:



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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This will display the entire month; you can pick any date and anything due on that day will display below the calendar:

No items to display

IOS App for Canvas

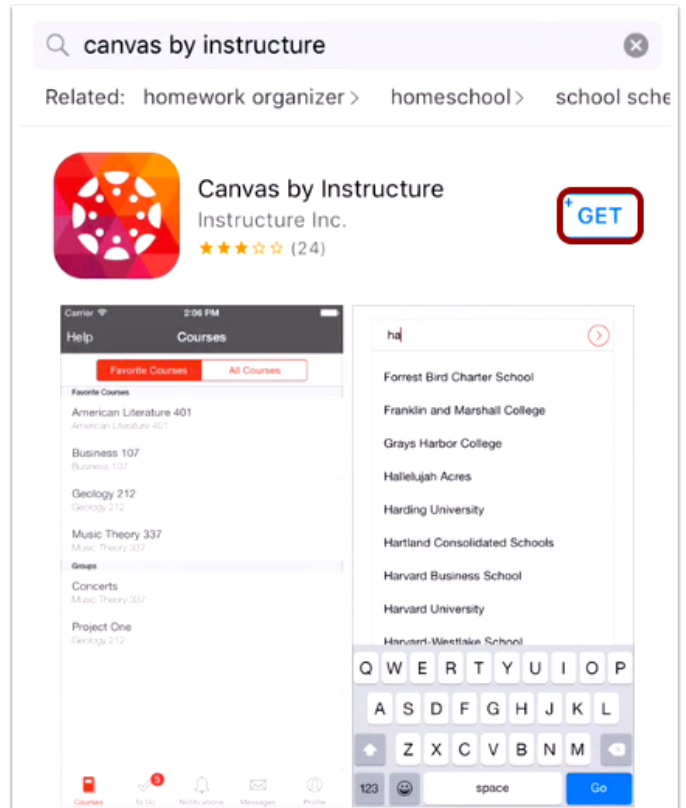
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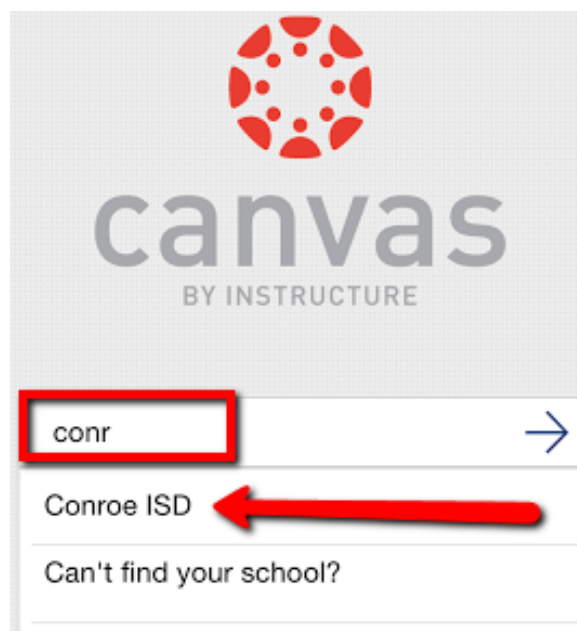
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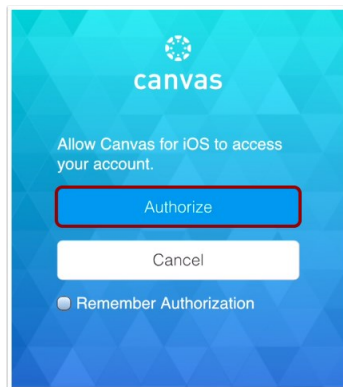
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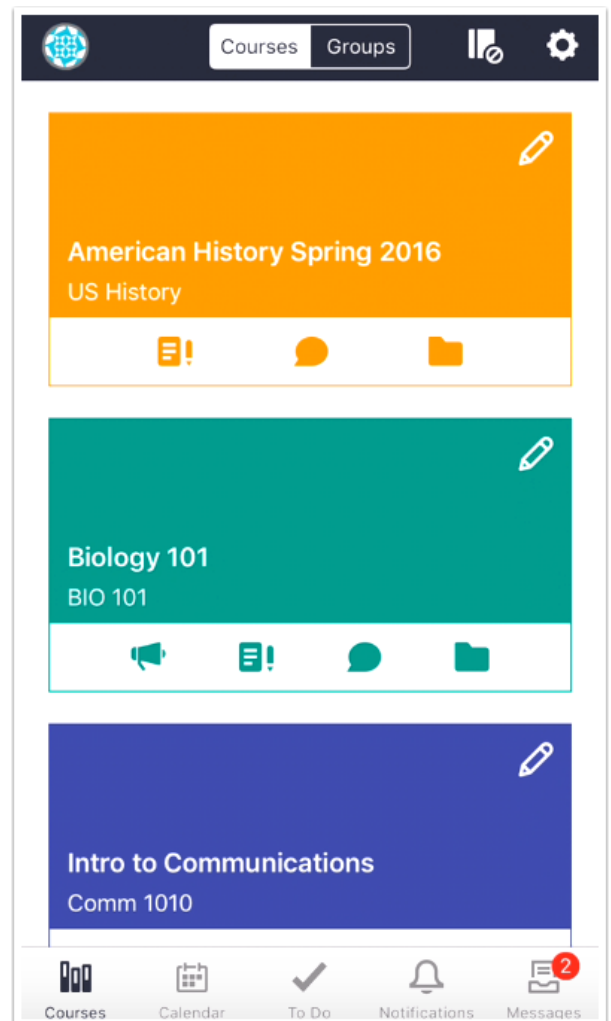
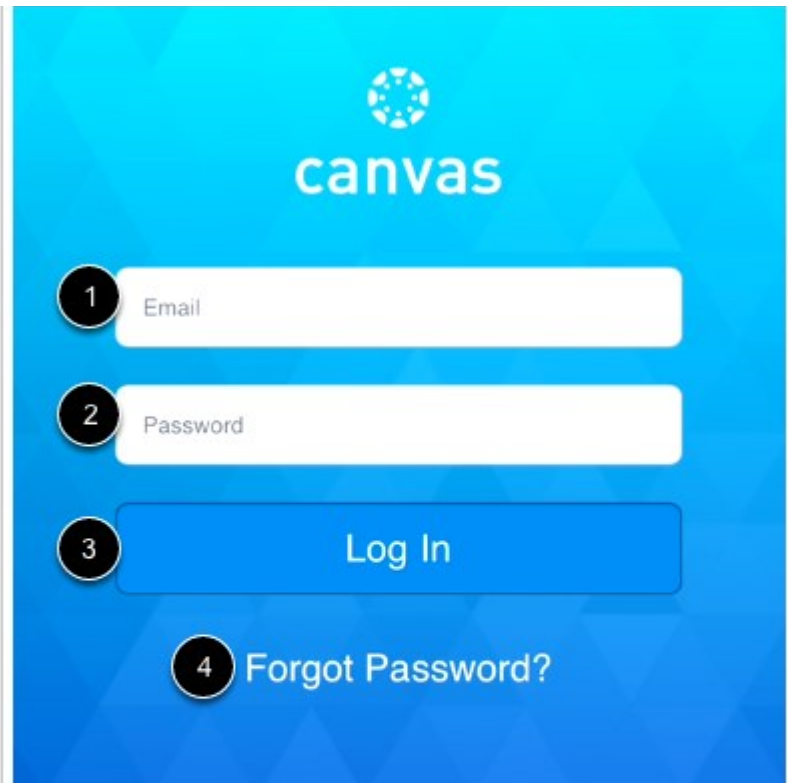
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Select "Calendar" from the bottom of your landing page:



This will display the entire month, you can pick any date and anything due on that day will display below the calendar:

