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**Parent Portal**

**Obtain PAIRING code:**

1. [Your child can generate a code through their Canvas (web version)](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-15036-4212938128)

 \*\*Elementary parents: If you need assistance contact your child’s teacher\*\*

**Create Your Account:**

1. Visit: [TCISD Parent Portal](https://tcisd.instructure.com/login/canvas)
2. [Step by step instructions](https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Observer-Guide/How-do-I-sign-up-for-a-Canvas-account-as-a-parent/ta-p/540)
* [Apple (iOS) App Instructions](https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Canvas-Parent-iOS-Guide/How-do-I-download-the-Canvas-Parent-app-on-my-iOS-device/ta-p/2070)
* [Android App Instructions](https://community.canvaslms.com/t5/Canvas-Parent-Android-Guide/How-do-I-download-the-Canvas-Parent-app-on-my-Android-device/ta-p/2052)
1. \*\*TCISD STAFF\*\*: If you are a parent of a TCISD Student, create your accounts using a personal email account

\*\*If you have multiple children attending TCISD - [CLICK HERE](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10915-4144237751) Follow these instructions to add students after initial account has been created.

**Personalize your Account Preferences**

**TIP # 1:** [**Customize Your Dashboard!**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-17922-41441147828)

* Color code each child's course tile or
* Rename each course tile with a nickname
* Rearrange dashboard tiles

**TIP # 2:** [**Adjust Your Notifications**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10910-4144710318)

* Account > Notifications.. And adjust

**TIP # 3:** [**Visit the Calendar**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-10908-4144715705)

* View calendar events by week, month, or agenda list
* Only 10 course and group calendars will be shown at one time
* Icons indicate:

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| EVENT | ASSIGNMENT | QUIZ |

**TIP # 4:** [**Message a teacher**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-17926-41441147825)

* The Canvas inbox allows you to communicate with teachers

**TIP # 5:** [**View grades**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-15983-41441010134)

* Select VIEW GRADES from the dashboard for a high-level overview
* OR Select a course dash card from the dashboard > grades for more detail



**TIP # 6:** Download **“CANVAS PARENT”** App

* [Canvas Parent for iOS](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9919-canvas-parent-ios-guide-table-of-contents)
* [Canvas Parent for Android](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9902-canvas-parent-android-guide-table-of-contents)

**TIP # 7: Log in to CANVAS PARENT (iOS) (Android)**

* Via Canvas URL **(**[**iOS**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9607-59346560955)**) (**[**Android**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9739-59347560718)**)**
* Via QR code - NEW!!!! **(**[**iOS**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-24143-593461231303)**)**

**TIP # 8: View Courses (**[**iOS**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9610-59346560957)**) (**[**Android**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9899-59347560884)**)**

* The default view shows the course list and current grade
* Tap the course name for more information

**TIP # 9: View the Calendar on the app! (**[**iOS**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9606-59346560958)**) (**[**Android**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9895-59347560885)**)**

* The app allows you to see events and assignments for one student at a time.
* Multiple dots indicate multiple assignments or events
* Select the assignment to “Set Reminder”

**TIP # 10: Set Alerts! (**[**iOS**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9914-59346560963)**) (**[**Android**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9897-59347560930)**)**

* Manage alerts for your linked children including:
	+ Course grades
	+ Missing assignments
	+ Assignment grades
	+ Announcements
* Go to Manage Students > select student > adjust alerts
* Then, view alerts **(**[**iOS**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9915-59346560960)) ([**Android**](https://community.canvaslms.com/docs/DOC-9891-59347560898))