

Parent Canvas Accounts

In Canvas, parents will be enrolled as an Observer in their child's/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, and upcoming Assignments. They will also be able to read Announcements and Discussions, view the course Calendar, and see interaction in the course.

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

Parents must provide their own personal email address to their child's/children's school. If you have multiple children/schools, please be sure to use the same email address for all children so that they will be linked to the same Canvas account, this is done at the campus if students are not "linked" properly during registration you will not have access to everyone in Canvas. If no email address is on file in the system, an account will not be created. You must also have a Parent Access account (using the same email address for all children) before your Canvas account can be created. If you do not have a Parent Access account, please register each child for an account (**using the same email address**) and allow 24 hours for your Canvas account to be created. Any issues will cause a delay in the creation of a Canvas account.

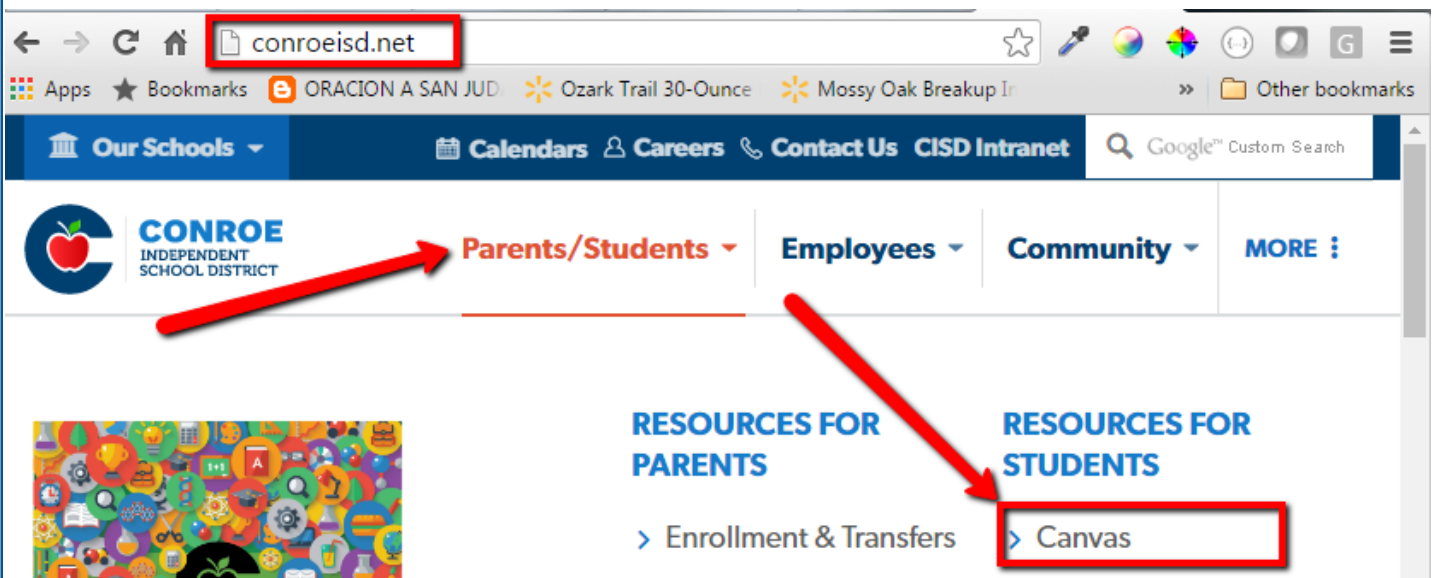
Please, contact your child's school with any Parent Access account questions.

Where do I go to log in?

Visit our Canvas website at: <https://conroeisd.instructure.com>

Or, go to CISD's main website at: www.conroeisd.net

Click on the "Parents/Students" link and then click on "Canvas" which is listed under "Resources for Students"



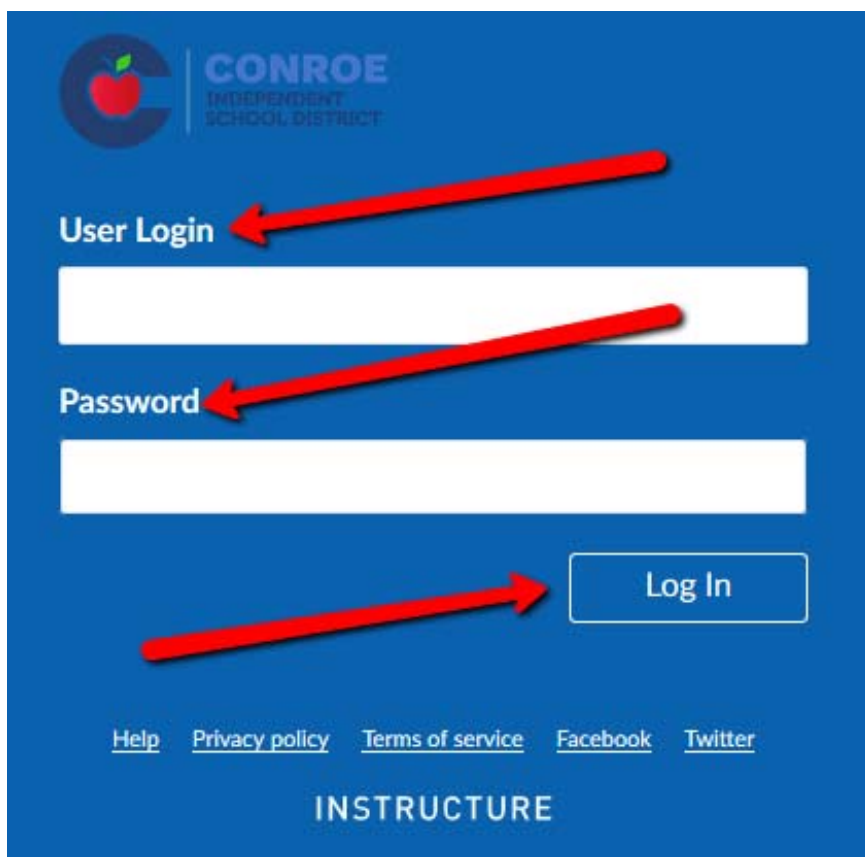
The screenshot shows a web browser displaying the Conroe Independent School District website. The address bar shows conroeisd.net. The navigation menu includes "Our Schools", "Calendars", "Careers", "Contact Us", and "CISD Intranet". The main navigation bar features "Parents/Students", "Employees", "Community", and "MORE :". Below this, there are two sections: "RESOURCES FOR PARENTS" and "RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS". Under "RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS", the "Canvas" link is highlighted with a red box. A red arrow points from the "Parents/Students" link to the "Canvas" link.

The Canvas login screen will display as seen below.

User Login: Enter the primary email address that you provided to the school and that you use for logging into Parent Access.

Password: Use the same password that you use for your Parent Access Account.

Click on "Log In":



You are now logged into Canvas and viewing your User Dashboard:

How do I set my Notification Preferences?

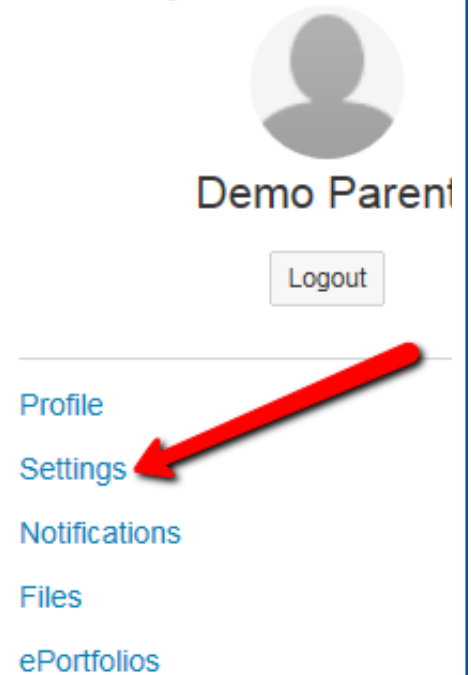
At the left hand-side of the Dashboard, click on "Account" to access user settings:



Select "Settings" from the available menu options:

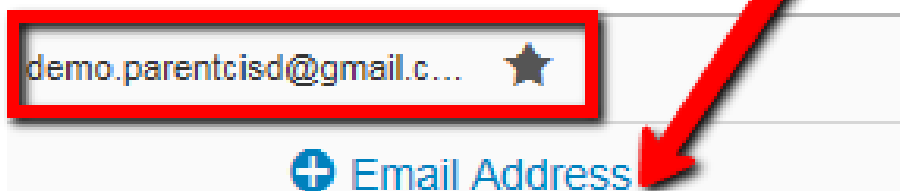
- ◇ Canvas includes a set of default notification preferences.
- ◇ You can set your own Canvas notification preferences.
- ◇ These settings apply for all courses and cannot be changed for individual courses.

"Ways to Contact" will display and use your email address that you used to register your Parent Access account. However, you are able to add more email addresses as you wish. Just select the "+Email Address" option:



Ways to Contact

Email Addresses



Enter the email address and click on "Register Email":

Register Communication

Email Text (SMS)

Optional Contact Method

Under "Other Contacts", you can add your cell phone number in order to receive text message notifications. Just select "Add Contact Method" to add your cell number:

Other Contacts	Type
5555552040@tmomail.net	sms ✓
Contact Method	

Select your country from the drop down menu and then enter your cell phone number in the next field 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](#)
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You can view and set notification preferences for each of your contact methods that were previously set.

Under "Notification Preferences", you will see a column for each contact method. See the example below which includes an email address and cell phone number as contact methods.

Notification Preferences

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

There are four contact method options to choose from for each course 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 with a daily summary of changes for that activity.
3. Select the **Calendar** icon to be notified with a weekly summary of changes for that activity.
4. Select the **X** icon to remove the notification preference so you won't be notified of any changes for that activity.

Notification Preferences

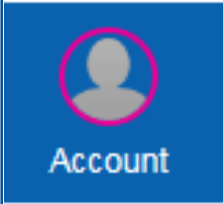
✓ Notify me right away ⌚ Send daily summary 📅 Send weekly summary ✕ Do not send me anything

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 take you back to your user dashboard. Or, you can click on "Dashboard".



Account



Dashboard



Courses



Calendar



Inbox

All of the links that you see to the left are part of your Global Navigation and are accessible 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 high school child

NOTE: You will only be able to view courses that have been published (made available) by the teacher. If a course is not listed, then that course has not been published yet.



Courses

Biology B 1

Language Arts 202

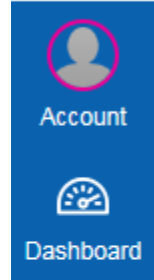
Math 202

Social Studies 202

Spanish B 3

Theater Art B 4

All Courses



Dashboard will also display courses from the "courses" link. You have the option to personalize the color and give the course a "nickname" by selecting the gear icon. Or, you can toggle and see a "Resent Activity" list instead.

Dashboard

Click gear to toggle to "Resent Activity" view

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

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Dashboard



Recent Activity

- 4 Announcements
[UTechHelp](#) and [Canvas Help](#) [SHOW MORE](#) ▾
- 1 Conversation Message
T WEIDNER [SHOW MORE](#) ▾
- 3 Assignment Notifications
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- 4 Discussions
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Calendar

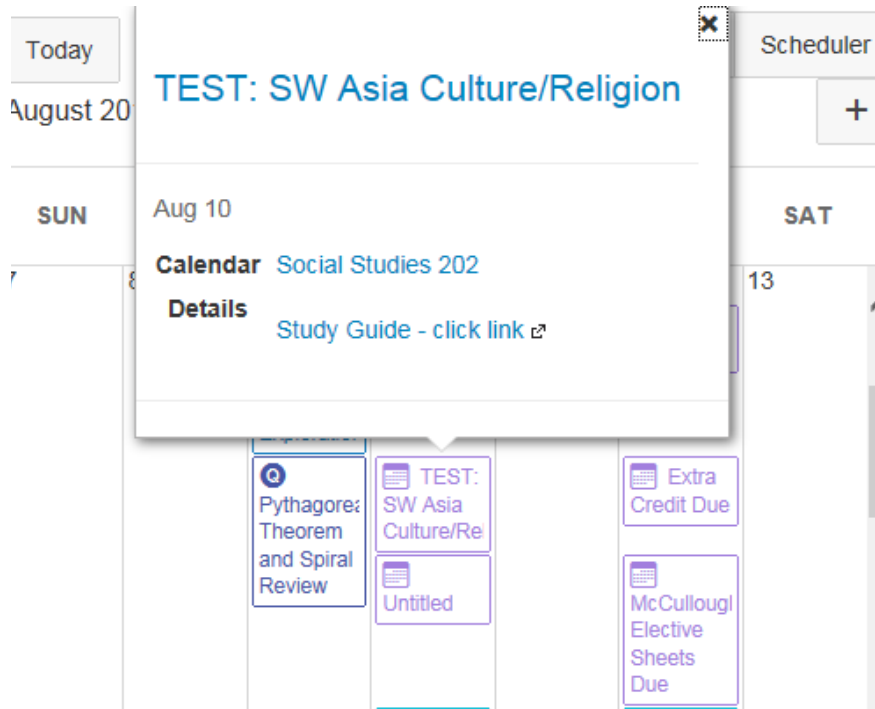
The calendar will give you an overview of what is going on in each course. You will be able to see assignments, quizzes, discussions, and events that have been posted by the teacher(s).

Click on "Calendar" from the global navigation menu.

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

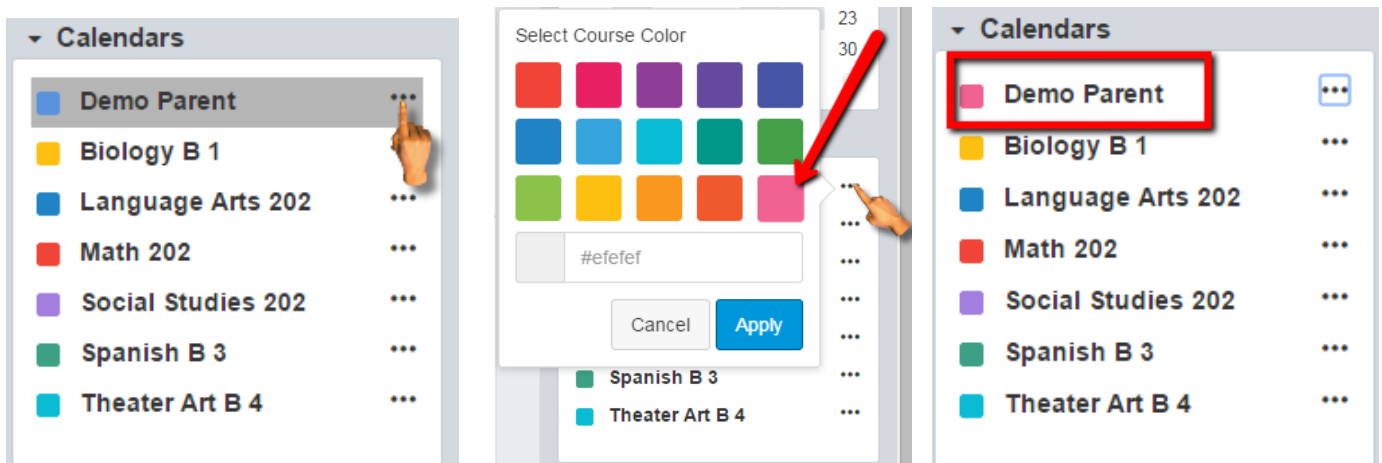
The screenshot displays the Canvas LMS calendar interface. On the left is a blue sidebar menu with icons for Account, Dashboard, Courses, Calendar (highlighted with a red arrow), and Inbox. The main area shows a monthly calendar for August 2016. At the top, there are navigation buttons for 'Today', 'Week', 'Month' (selected), 'Agenda', and 'Scheduler'. The calendar grid shows events for various courses: 'Key Indicators Quiz' (blue) on Tue 2, 'Mission to Mars Field Trip' (purple) on Wed 3, 'SUPPLY LIST' (pink) on Tue 2, 'ePortfolio and Canvas Explorator' (blue) on Tue 9, 'Pythagore: Theorem and Spiral' (blue) on Tue 9, '3rd Qtr Progress Reports' (purple) on Wed 10, 'TEST: SW Asia Culture/Re' (purple) on Wed 10, 'CNN Quiz 2' (purple) on Fri 12, and 'Extra Credit Due' (purple) on Fri 12. On the right, a 'Calendars' sidebar lists courses with color-coded squares: Demo Parent (pink), Biology B 1 (green), Language Arts 202 (blue), Math 202 (dark blue), Social Studies 202 (purple), Spanish B 3 (pink), and Theater Art B 4 (teal). Below this is an 'Undated items' section with a 'Calendar Feed' icon.

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



You can customize the color for each course by clicking on the three dots next to the course name. This can be done in Calendar view or from the Dashboard.

Just select the color from the color choices, then click "Apply".



The new color that you chose will now be associated with that course.

Android App for Canvas

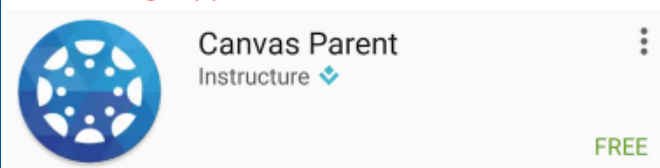
Canvas has an app available for Android users.

Android users will need to open the Play Store to search for the app.

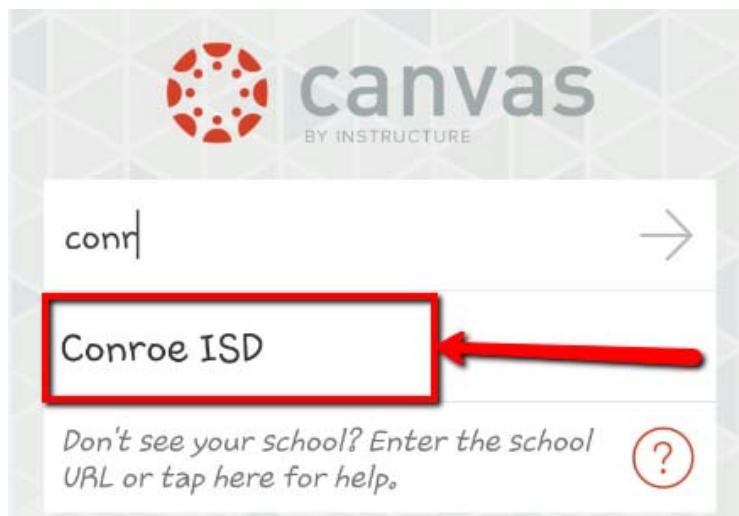
In the search field, type Canvas by Instructure and select the app.

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

NOTE: Do not download the "Canvas Parent" app. This is the wrong app:



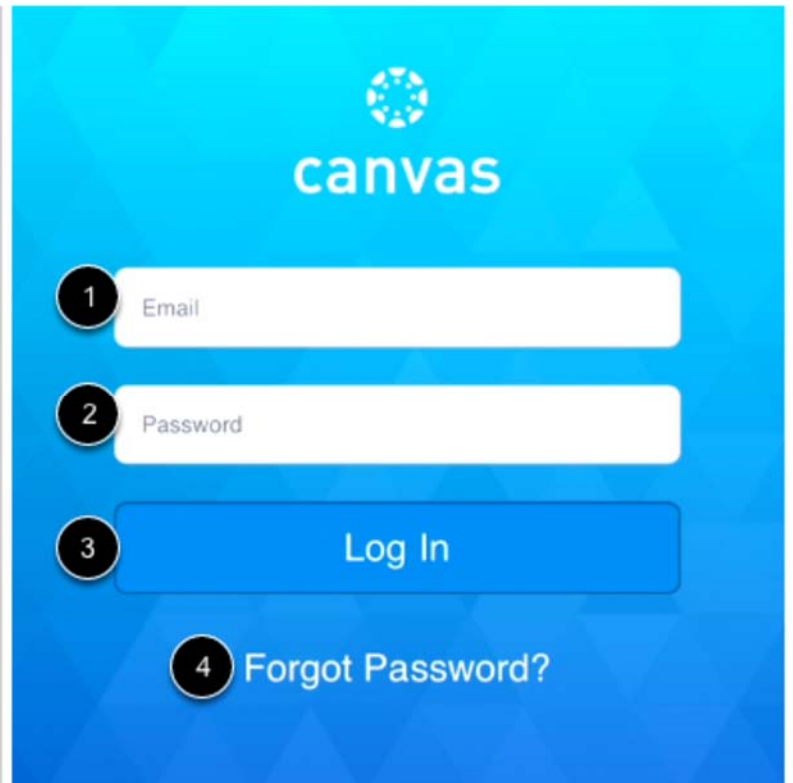
Open the Canvas app and begin typing "conr". Conroe ISD will automatically display and can then be selected as your school.



Enter your login credentials (should be the same as your Parent Access login credentials):

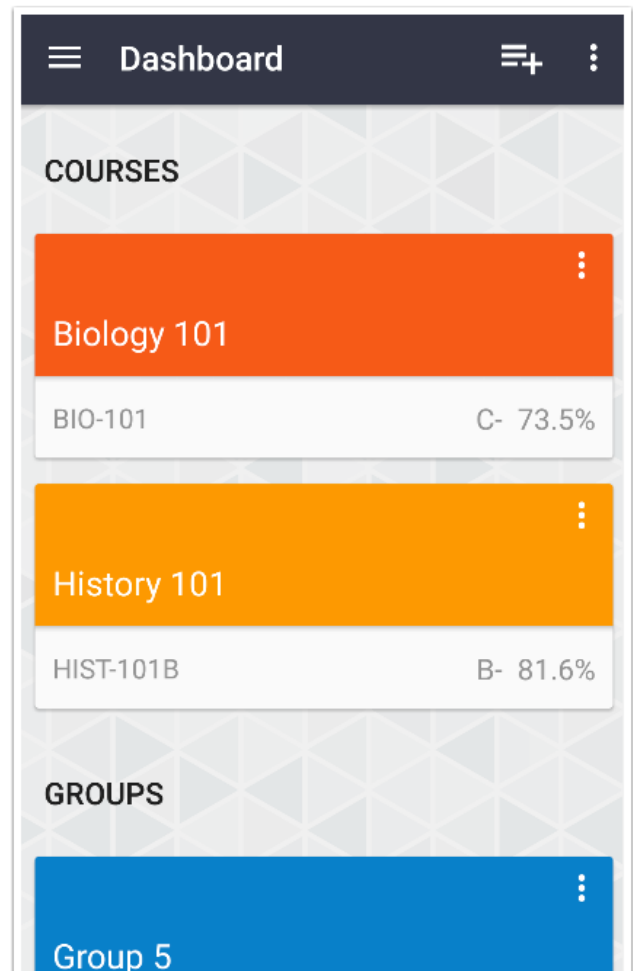
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2. Enter password
3. Click on "Log In"
4. **"Forgot Password?" link does not work from here.** If you forget your password, use the forgot password link for Parent Access. It will take 24 hours for your password to update in Canvas.

NOTE: The first time that you log in, you will be required to "Authorize" access:

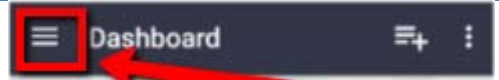


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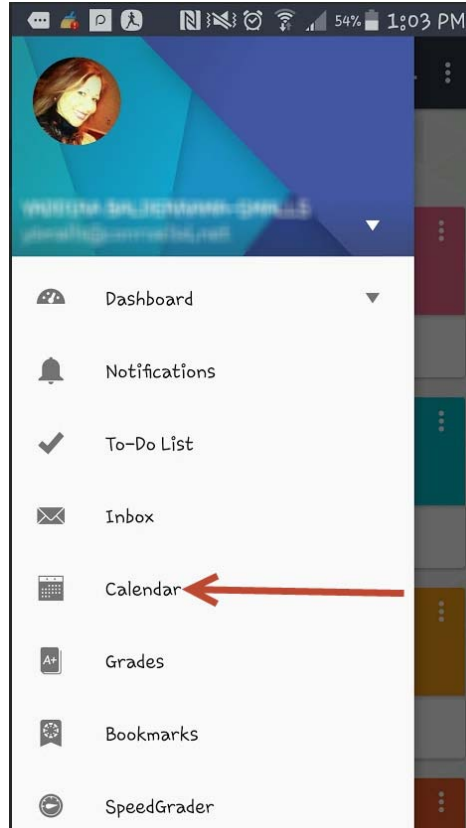
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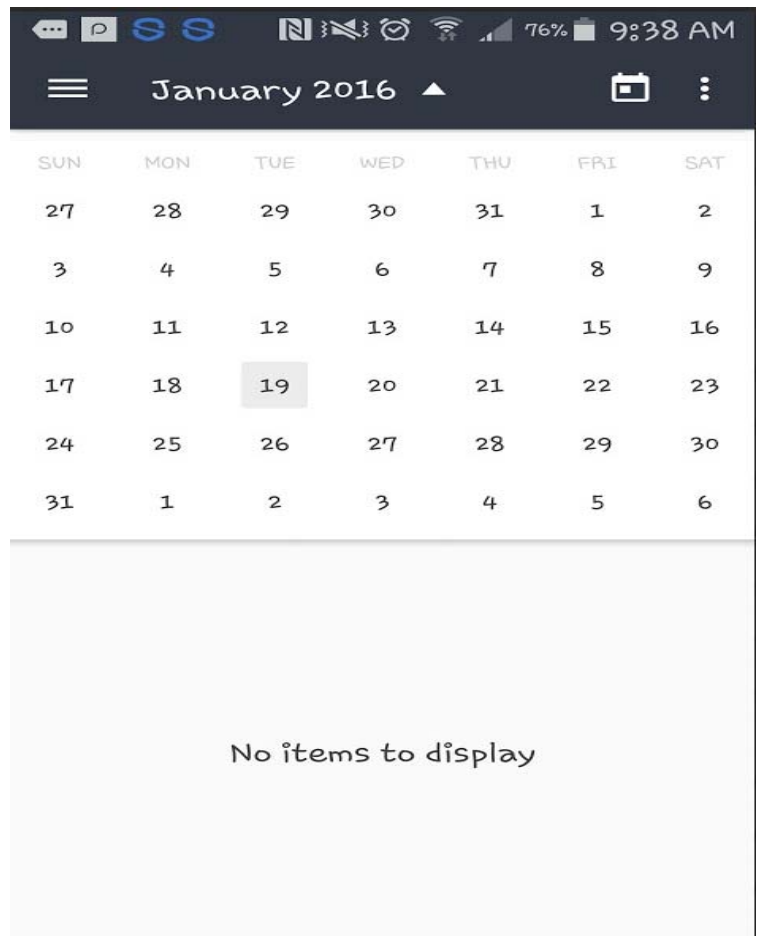
On your device, select the hamburger menu to open additional menu options:



Select the "Calendar" option:



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



IOS App for Canvas

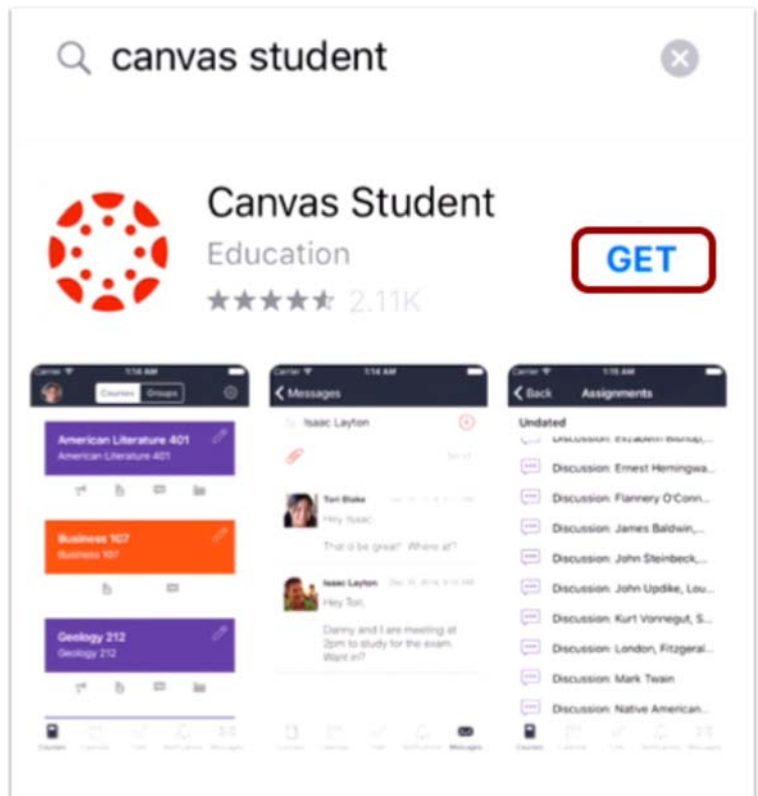
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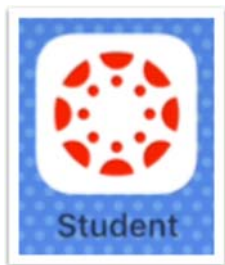
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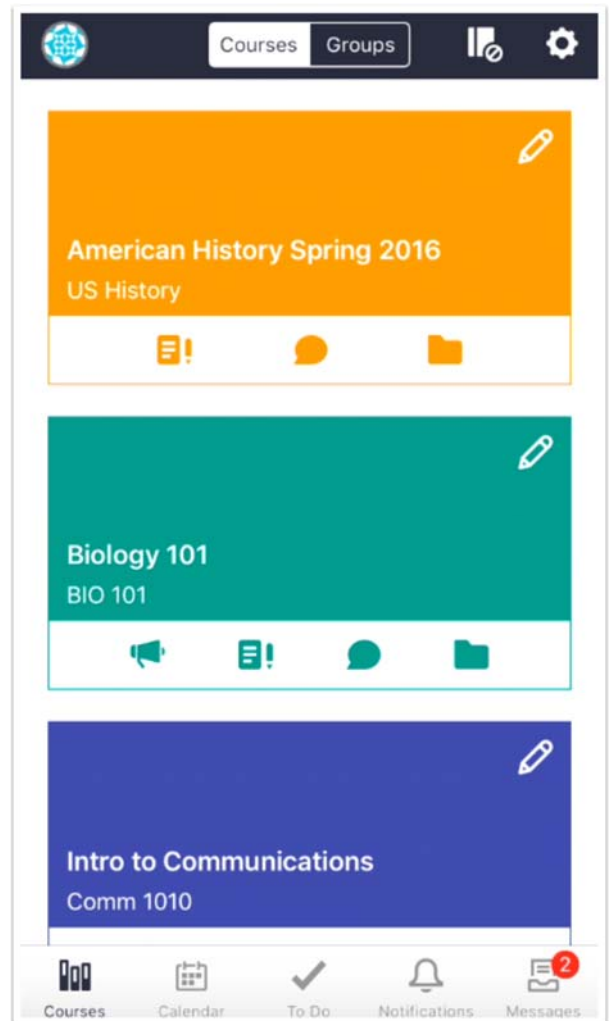
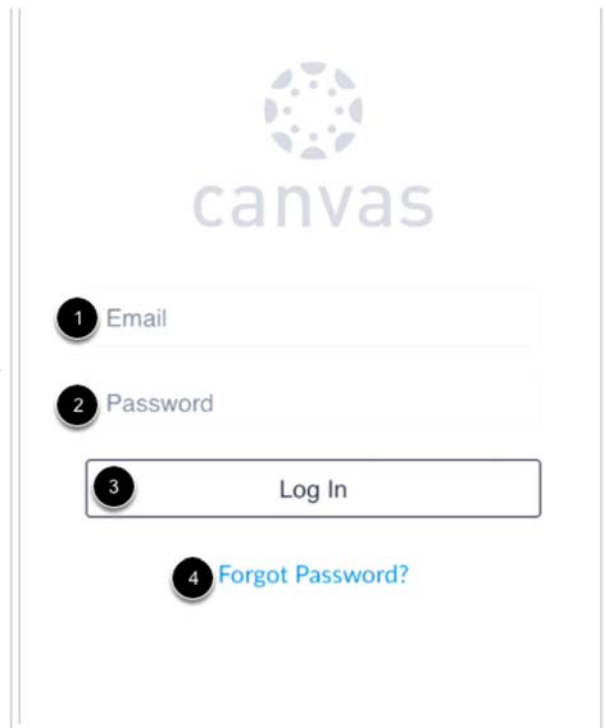
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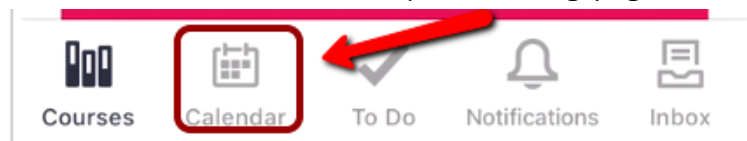


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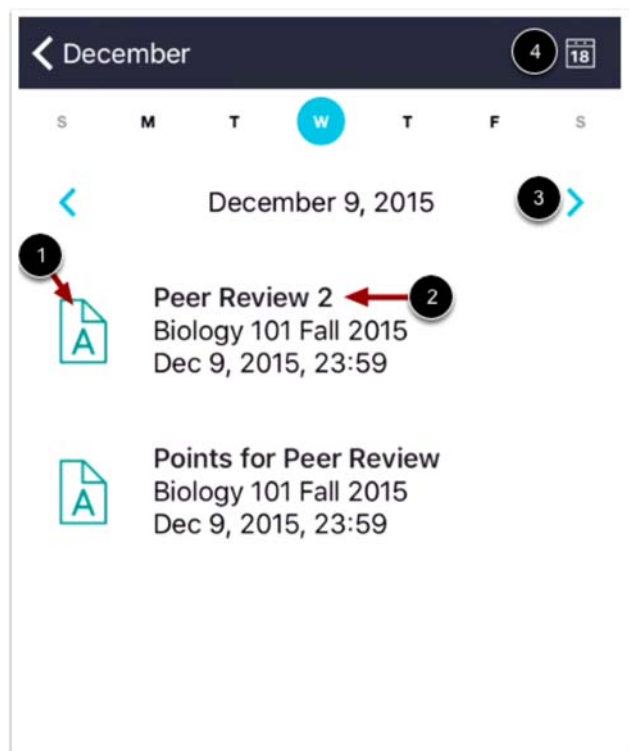
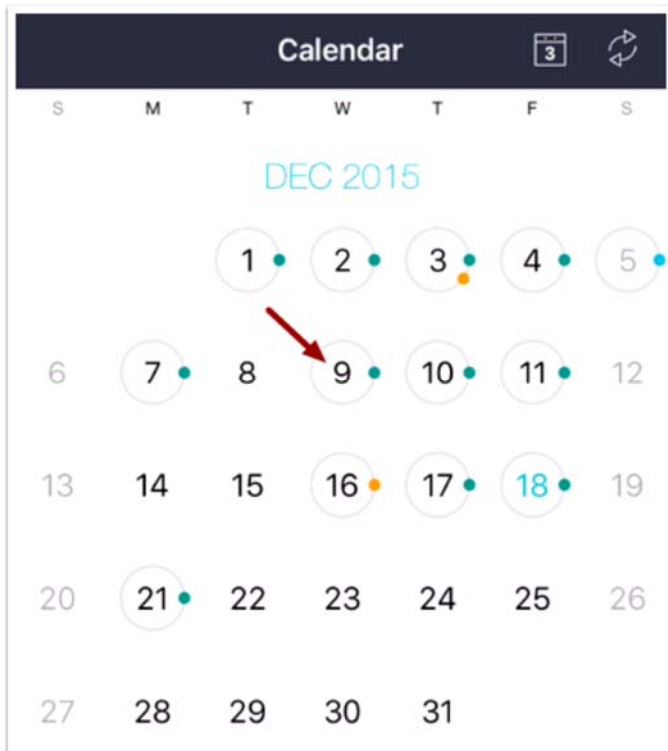
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On your device, select "Calendar" from the bottom of your landing page:



This will display the entire month. To display calendar events for a day, click on a date:



The daily list view shows the assignment type (1) and the name of the assignment or event (2). For an overview of another day, use the date arrows (3) or swipe the calendar to the left or right. To return to the current day, tap the calendar icon (4).

To return to the current month view, tap the calendar icon (1). To refresh the calendar, click the refresh icon (2):

