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PARENT OBSERVER ACCOUNTS
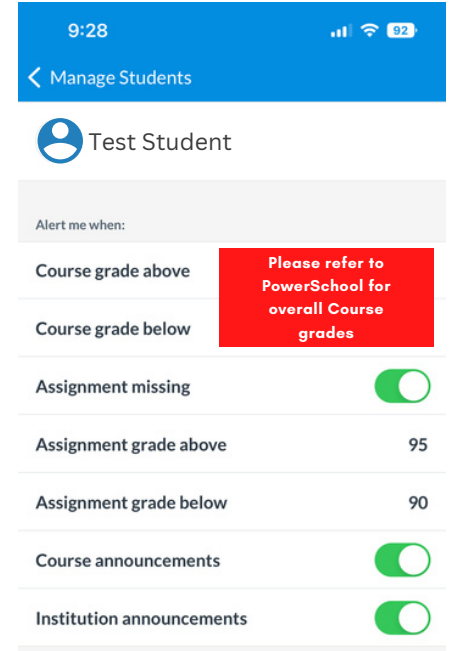
Canvas Web Browser vs. Mobile App

The Canvas Parent app is a mobile app that is used for "on the go" glimpses at the account. You do not have access to the full course through the app.

One of the amazing features of the Canvas Parent app is that the app can alert you based on your preferences, and those preferences can be set individually for each student. For example, maybe you want to be alerted if Johnny gets a score less than 80% on an assignment, but for your daughter Susan, you want to get alerts if she scores less 85% on an assignment. It can also notify you if an assignment grade is above a certain score. Use this setting to congratulate your student on their achievement. "I saw you got a 92 on your test. Way to go!" The Canvas Parent app can also notify you if your child(ren) miss an assignment.

For some parents, the temptation might be to use the Canvas Parent app to ride their children. Try to use the Canvas Parent app in a way that helps you stay engaged with your child. Focus on positive performance as much or if not more as negative grades. Let the Canvas app be a conversation starter, rather than a conversation ender. "Tell me about what you're learning in Math? How can I help you improve your science grades?"

Ultimately the Canvas Parent app is a powerful, easy-to-use tool that helps you play an active role in your child's education, and your involvement as a parent is the most important factor to their education success.

*Please note that grades listed in Canvas are not official. PowerSchool remains the official source for BCS student grade information.

Web Browser (Computer or Mobile)	App (Mobile)
• Sign in with email address and password at https://bartlett.instructure.com/login/canvas • Recommended to use Google Chrome • Full, read only course view that is similar to what students see. ○ Modules ○ Files, URLs, etc. ○ Calendar ○ Assignments ○ Agendas • More notifications customized to observer account or individual classes • Message teacher	• *Parent account must first be created on the computer.* • Scan the Mobile Login QR code from the computer to sign in on app • "On the go" glimpse view ○ Assignment detail information ○ Calendar ○ Alerts • Basic notifications customized to student • Message teacher