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5. Canvas for Families Info Sessions
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Upcoming Important Dates:

Jan 15 - Feb 28: Access Testing Window

Jan 20: Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (schools closed)

Jan 21: Understanding Assessment Workshop for Parents

Jan 22: FAVE ES Classroom Guidance during Health

Jan 27: Write Score Administration (ES)

Jan 28: Dual Enrollment Information Night @ 5:30 Meeting Link

Feb 11: Family Math Night at Chick-fil-A

Feb 12: FAVE ES Classroom Guidance during Health

Feb 17: Presidents' Day Holiday (schools closed)

Feb 18: Professional Development Day (students off)

March 3: Teacher Workday (students off)

March 4: Professional Development Day (students off)

March 5: FAVE ES Classroom Guidance during Health

April 2: FAVE ES Classroom Guidance during Health

April 7-11: Spring Break (schools closed)

May 22: Last Day of School

May 23: Teacher Workday (students off)

May 26: Memorial Day (schools closed)

June 19: Juneteenth Holiday (schools closed)

*Click here for the FAVE calendar of all events: https://fave.fultonschools.org/calendar3





Click here to book an appointment (for use during the school year)

FAVE TV

Tuesday January 21 Episode 19 https://www.wevideo.com/view/3675503776

Missed an episode of FAVE TV? Check out our Youtube channel here: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLPxRwWu4boe3jglhc38k8oR5FSBAnIm0k&si=aOqkXH2VnsPIjSya

Understanding Assessment Parent Workshop | January 21st @ 5:30 PM

Please join us on Tuesday, January 21st at 5:30 pm and to obtain important information about the FCS Assessments.

https://tinyurl.com/ASSESSMENTFAVE2025



Math Night at Chick-fil-A | February 11th @ 5:30 PM

Asynchronous Days | *February 24-26*

February 24 - 26 will be asynchronous days at FAVE



Canvas For Families Info Sessions

Want more information about Canvas and how to setup your account? Join one of these sessions! Click the link to access the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

January 10th- 12:00-12:30 pm

January 17th- 12:00-12:30 pm

January 22nd- 6:00-6:30 pm

Translation services will be provided.

Canvas For Families Q&A

Designed for family members who have questions post account setup. Click the link to access the meeting via Microsoft Teams.

February 12- 12:00 pm

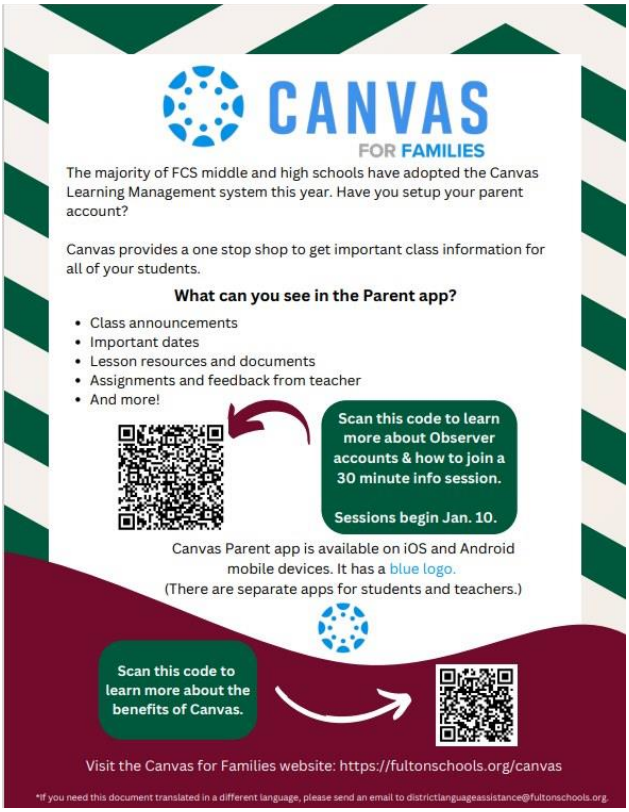
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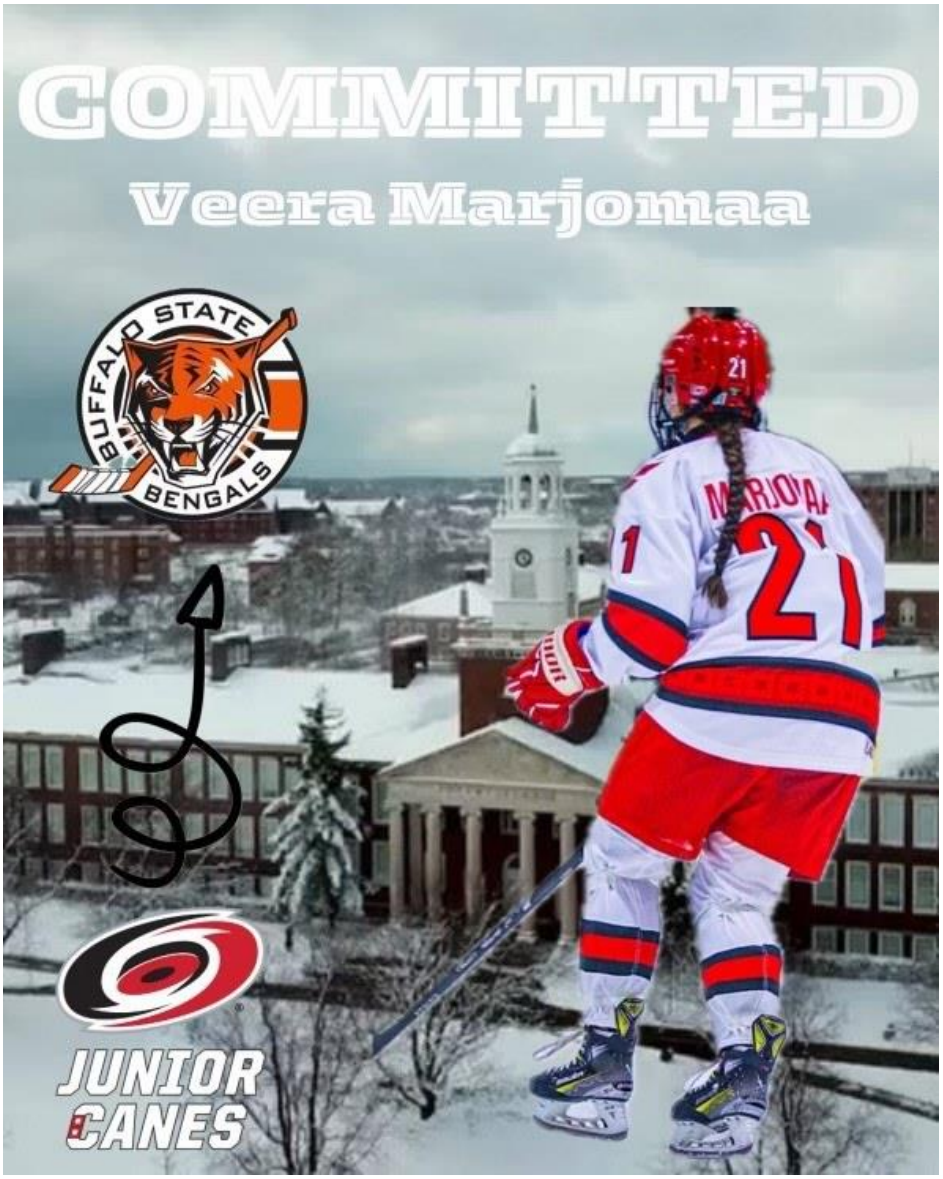
Congratulations to Mia Yamakita!

Congratulations to our Senior Mia Yamakita who committed to Vanderbilt University where she will be playing Tennis! We wish her all the best on this exciting new journey!



Congratulations to Veera Marjomaa!

Congratulations to our Senior Veera Marjomaa, who recently committed to Buffalo State University! She'll be playing NCAA D3 for the women's ice hockey team and studying business. We wish her all the best on this exciting new journey!



Do you have a special announcement to share with us about college signing? Or college acceptances? Send your announcement to Ms. Van Der Lende at vanderlende@fultonschools.org.

ACT Test Day: March 6th

The district is offering free ACT Testing on March 6th to all students classified as Juniors (Grade 11)! Be sure to sign your scholar up for this awesome opportunity by completing this brief form: ACT Day Sign-Up



SAT Group Class Jan 22 - Apr 16

10 hours of group tutoring + 2 mock tests

Practice SAT	Jan 22 (Wed)	9:00am – 11:45am
Session 1	Jan 29 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 2	Feb 5 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 3	Feb 12 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 4	Feb 19 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 5	Feb 26 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 6	Mar 5 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 7	Mar 12 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 8	Mar 19 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Session 9	Mar 26 (Wed)	1:00pm – 2:00pm
Practice SAT	Apr 2 (Wed)	9:00am – 11:45am

Session 10 Apr 16 (Wed) 1:00pm – 2:00pm

$0 Event Code: SAT1DF8

Registration Deadline: Jan 15

www.applerouth.com
info@applerouth.com

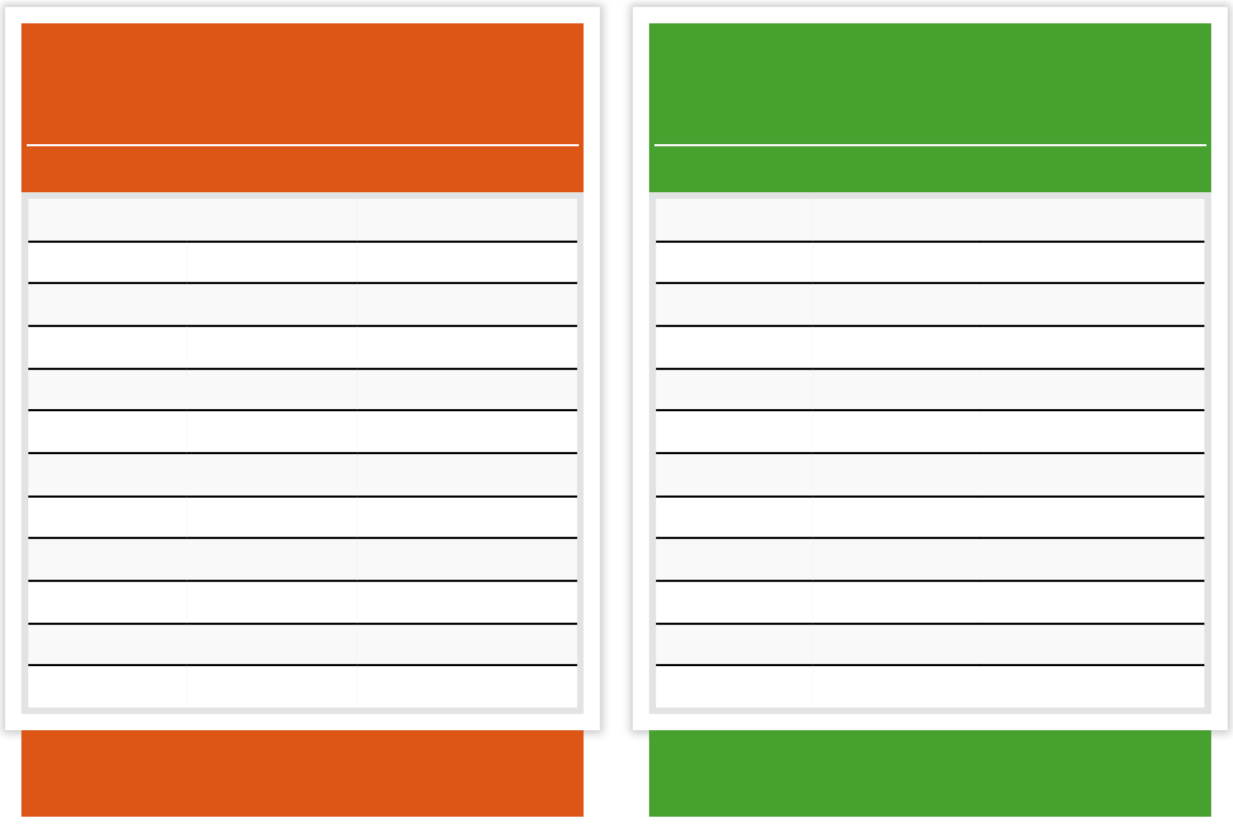
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Seats are limited.

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Practice ACT Mar 26 (Wed) 9:00am – 12:30pm **Session 10** Apr 2 (Wed) 1:00pm – 2:00pm

$0 Event Code: ACT1DF9

Registration Deadline: Jan 8

To register go to www.applerouth.com/events/group-classes and enter the event code.

Flexible Attendance

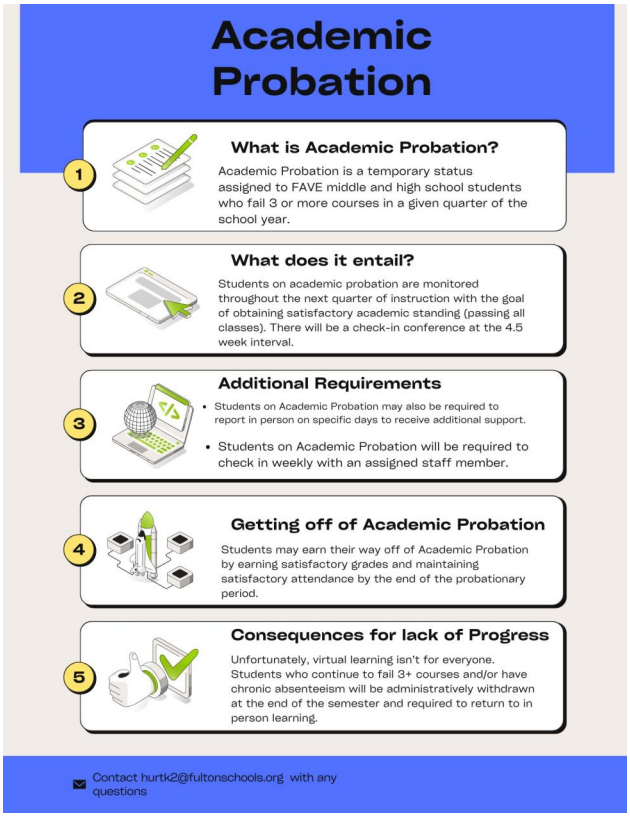
FAVE families,

Our next round of Flexible attendance begins Monday January 13 through March 14. As a reminder students must earn a grade of 85+ in ALL classes in order to qualify for flex. Please check your email for notifications, and contact Ms. Hurt (hurtk2@fultonschools.org) if you have any questions.

Policy	Flexible Attendance
Key Information	Students may be awarded flexible attendance based on the following quarterly criteria: • 9 Week Marking Period: 100% course completion with 85 or higher in all classes (FAVE, FVS, etc.) • No more than 3 unexcused absences per 9-week period • Not enrolled in Tier 2 or Tier 3 interventions (RTI) • Level 2 or higher on previous year's Milestones Flexible attendance eligibility will be evaluated at the end of the Quarters 1, 2, and 3 making periods and be available during the following time frames: Quarter 2: 10/14-12/13 Quarter 3: 01/13 – 03/14 Quarter 4: 04/21 - 05/22* ***Includes mandatory in-person state testing dates** **Important Notes:** • There is no flexible attendance offered during quarter 1 of the school year (8/5 - 10/11). The only exception is for students granted administrative pre-approval before the start of the school year based on special circumstances *(see policy deviations section below)*. • To ensure a successful end of the school year, 3/17 – 4/18 are required live class attendance dates for all students, with daily attendance and full participation required • Students earning flexible attendance for quarter 4 are still required to report for in-person testing dates.

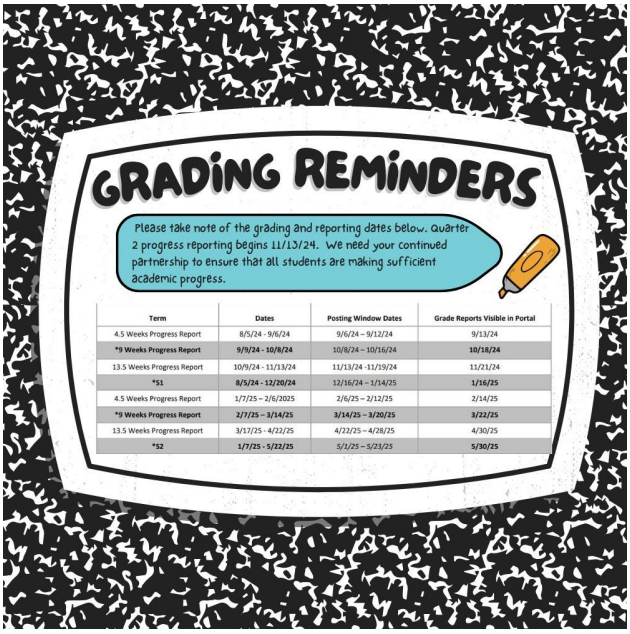
Academic Probation

Students may be placed on Academic Probation based on grades or attendance for a given quarter. Please note that students who are placed on Academic Probation based on Quarter 2 performance will be required to participate in extended learning or in person support sessions. Parents will receive email notifications once Quarter 2 grades are finalized.



FAVE Support

Grade Reporting Windows



Term	Dates	Posting Window Dates	Grade Reports Visible in Portal
4.5 Weeks Progress Report	8/5/24 - 9/6/24	9/6/24 – 9/12/24	9/13/24
***9 Weeks Progress Report**	**9/9/24 - 10/8/24**	10/8/24 – 10/16/24	**10/18/24**
13.5 Weeks Progress Report	10/9/24 - 11/13/24	11/13/24 -11/19/24	11/21/24
***S1**	**8/5/24 - 12/20/24**	12/16/24 – 1/14/25	**1/16/25**
4.5 Weeks Progress Report	1/7/25 – 2/6/2025	2/6/25 – 2/12/25	2/14/25
***9 Weeks Progress Report**	**2/7/25 – 3/14/25**	**3/14/25 – 3/20/25**	**3/22/25**
13.5 Weeks Progress Report	3/17/25 - 4/22/25	4/22/25 – 4/28/25	4/30/25
***S2**	**1/7/25 - 5/22/25**	5/1/25 – 5/23/25	**5/30/25**



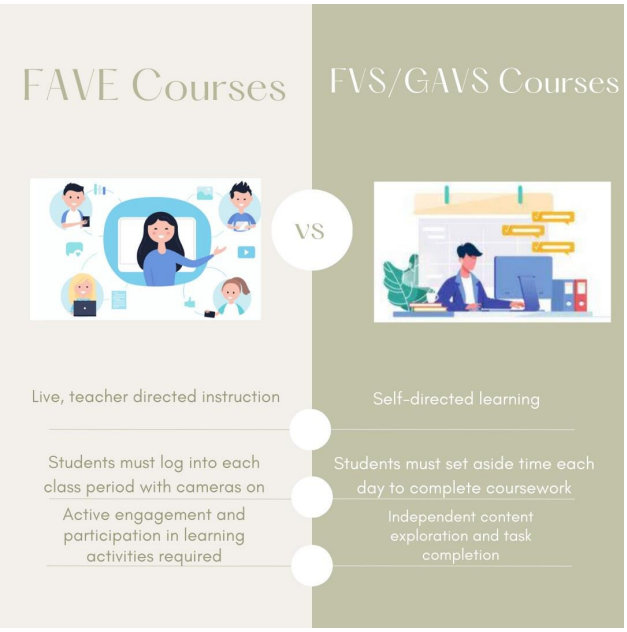
Semester 2 Assessment Calendars

All assessment dates for the second semester are available via the calendars linked below. Please take note of district, state, and classroom dates.

Elementary

Middle

High



Students in grades 6-12 engage in both synchronous courses delivered by FAVE teachers and asynchronous courses provided by Fulton Virtual School (FVS) or Georgia Virtual School (GAVS). Please review your scholar's schedule for this semester, and take note of any asynchronous courses. It is critical that students enrolled in such courses use the time in their daily schedule to complete the required coursework for FVS and GAVS courses in addition to attending their daily live classes.

Parent Canvas Observer Accounts

Canvas is our Learning Management System and families have access though the Parent Observer role. This provides a one stop shop to get important class information for all of your students.

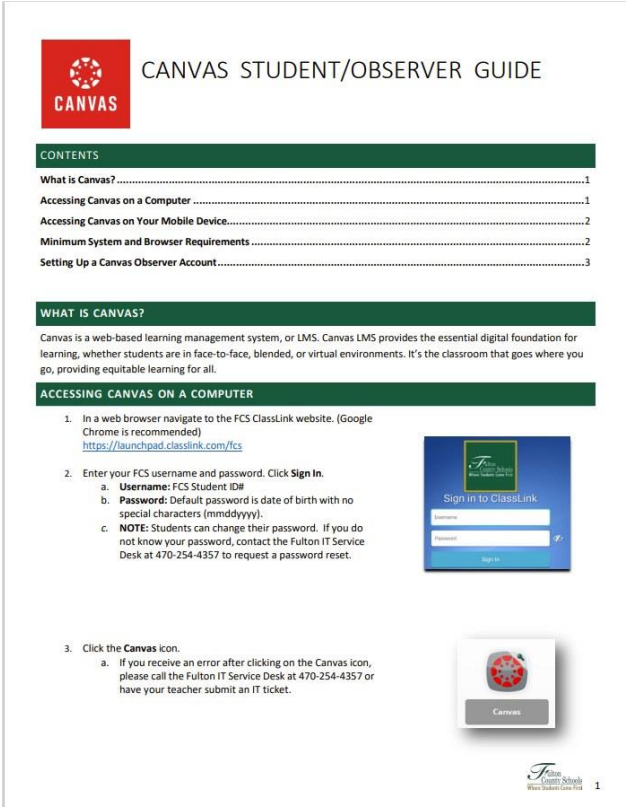
- Class announcements
- Important dates
- Lesson resources and documents
- Assignments and feedback from teacher
- And more!

All parents will need to connect their Canvas parent observer accounts. Canvas Parent App is available on iOS and Android mobile devices. the Parent App has a blue logo. (There are separate apps for students and teachers). Please follow the below directions.

Click here to learn more about accounts & how to join a 30 minute info session: [Canvas LMS - Fulton County School System (fultonschools.org)]

Troubleshooting tips if you are a returning parent and unable to connect:

- Try logging out and back in
- Try deleting the app and reinstall.



CANVAS STUDENT/OBSERVER GUIDE

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WHAT IS CANVAS?

Canvas is a web-based learning management system, or LMS. Canvas LMS provides the essential digital foundation for learning, whether students are in face-to-face, blended, or virtual environments. It's the classroom that goes where you go, providing equitable learning for all.

ACCESSING CANVAS ON A COMPUTER

1. In a web browser navigate to the FCS ClassLink website. (Google Chrome is recommended)
   https://launchpad.classlink.com/fcs
2. Enter your FCS username and password. Click **Sign In**.
   a. **Username:** FCS Student ID#
   b. **Password:** Default password is date of birth with no special characters (mmddyyyy).
   c. **NOTE:** Students can change their password. If you do not know your password, contact the Fulton IT Service Desk at 470-254-4357 to request a password reset.

3. Click the **Canvas** icon.
   a. If you receive an error after clicking on the Canvas icon, please call the Fulton IT Service Desk at 470-254-4357 or have your teacher submit an IT ticket.

ACCESSING CANVAS FOR STUDENTS ON A MOBILE DEVICE (PHONE OR TABLET)

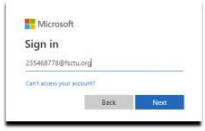
NOTE: There are separate Canvas mobile apps for parents, students, and teachers. Start by downloading the appropriate Canvas App on your mobile device. All apps are available for Android and iOS devices from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. **The instructions on this page are for logging into the Canvas for Students Mobile App.**

1. Download the **Canvas for Students** Mobile App
   a. Download the *Canvas app* from the Google Play or the Apple App store.



2. Open the **Canvas** app.
   a. Click **Find My School**.
   b. Type in **Fulton County** and select "**Fulton County Schools Staff/Student.**"

3. On the next screen:
   a. **STUDENTS:** Type your FCS credentials in the format below:
      i. **Username:** FCS Student ID#@fsctu.org
      ii. **Password:** Default password is date of birth with no special characters (mmddyyyy).
      iii. If you are unable to log in, please call the Fulton IT Service Desk at 470-254-4357 or have your teacher submit an IT ticket.
   b. **PARENTS:** Follow the instructions on page 3.



4. After entering your FCS credentials, you will see your Canvas dashboard which displays the different courses.

MINIMUM BROWSER REQUIREMENTS

Updated 7/28/2023.

Instructure products work best with the following operating systems and browsers. Instructure products support the current and previous major releases of operating systems and web browsers.

Operating Systems	Web Browsers
• Windows • Mac • Linux • iOS • Android	Chrome 113 | 114 Firefox 113 | 114 (Extended Releases are not supported*) Edge 112 | 113 Safari 15 | 16 (Macintosh only)

SETTING UP A CANVAS OBSERVER ACCOUNT

The observer role can be given to parents, family members or guardians to give them visibility into the student's Canvas courses. Family members and guardians can set up an observer account and pair it with student account(s) using a student pairing code. Once the observer is paired with their student(s) they will be able to see the courses that those student(s) are in.

Follow the instructions below to generate the student pairing code and then create an observer account.

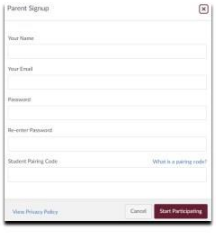
1. Ask your student to log into their Canvas account.
2. Then, go to **Account** and select **Settings**.



3. On the right-hand side of the screen, click **Pair with Observer**.
4. Then write down or copy the code.
   a. Please note that this code is only valid for 7 days. After 7 days, if you have not yet set up your observer account, you will need to generate a new pairing code.

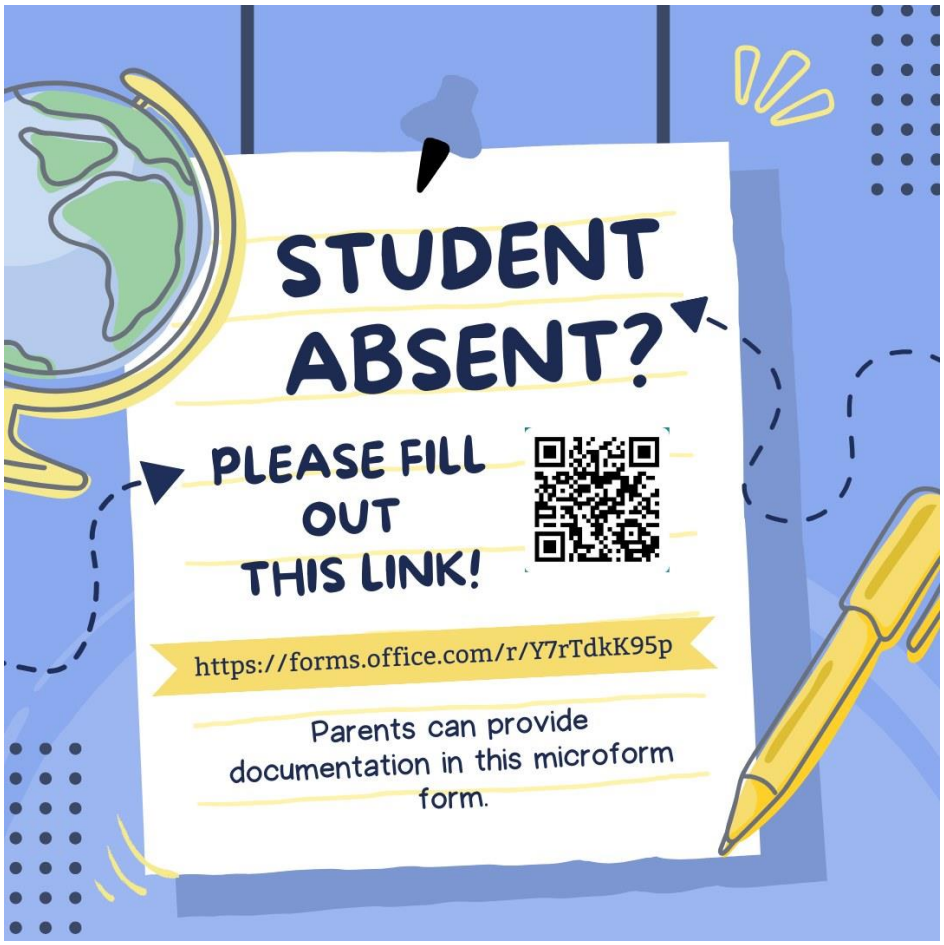


5. Navigate to https://fultonschools.instructure.com/login/canvas.
6. Click ***Parent of Canvas User?*** in the top right-hand corner.
7. Fill out the form with your personal information (your email address, password, and the Student Pairing Code you wrote down in Step 4.
8. Now, you can download and log into the Canvas for Parents App (blue icon).
   a. Click **Find My School**.
   b. Type in **Fulton County** and select "**Fulton County Schools Observer (Families/Guardians).**"
9. On the next screen, login with the email and password you created during account setup.



FAVE Student Absentee Documentation

Parents and guardians, please complete the following form regarding your student's absence. Your student's attendance will be updated based on the information provided below. Each absence (or string of consecutive absences) will need it's own completed form. **If you have a doctor's note or any other documentation for the absence, please send it to Mrs. Hoot at hootj@fultonschools.org.** Thank you!



Click here to submit your form!

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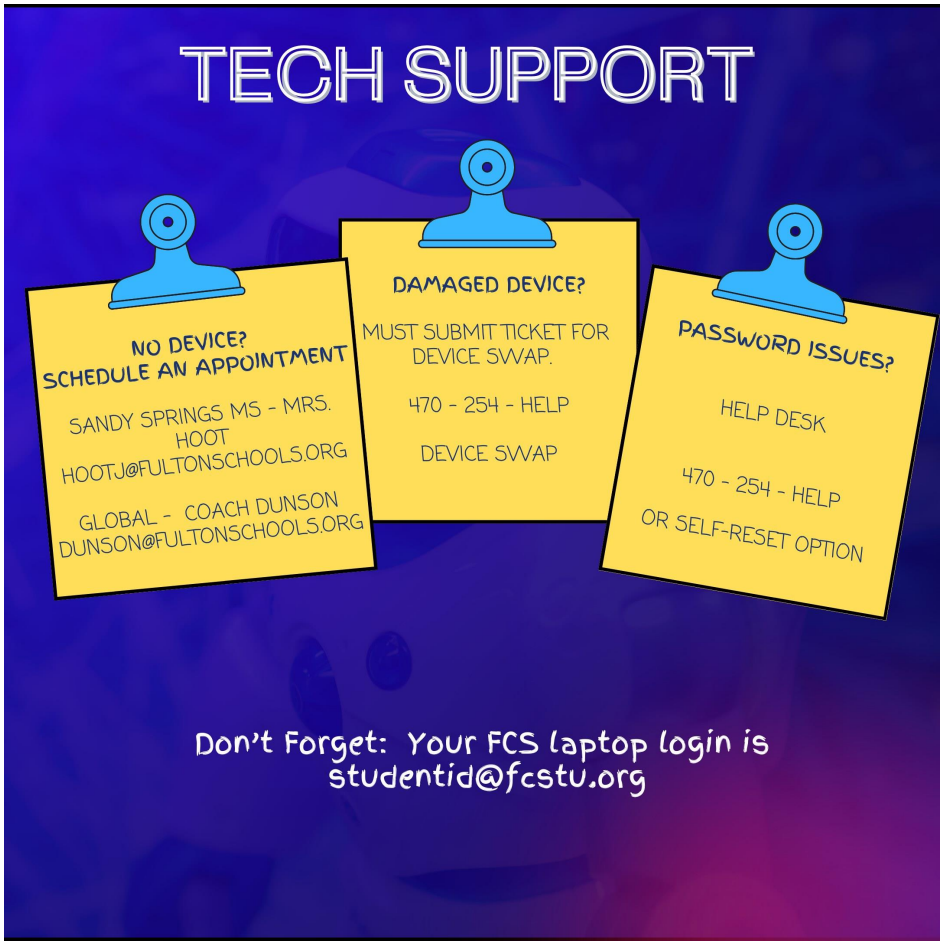
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Follow our Parent Liaison on Facebook: FAVE Parent Liaison Facebook

Need Technology Support?



[Click here to book an appointment!]



Join FAVE's Facebook group, FAVE Parent Liaison - Ivonne van der Lende, and find out about all the events, parent's workshops, Title I meetings, community resources, fun stuff and much more happening at FAVE! Follow us and be connected to FAVE community! Click on the link: FAVE Parent Liaison

Or scan the QR code below to join to our FB page:

Clases de Ingles para Padres Gratis con Rosetta Stone

Está interesado en aprender Inglés? Contacte a Ivonne van der Lende, la Parent Liaison de FAVE, y regístrese para tomar clases de Inglés gratis con el programa de Rosetta Stone, desde su casa, con su teléfono o computadora, en su propio horario. Para registrarse, envie un mensaje a vanderlende@fultonschools.org. No pierda esta maravillosa oportunidad! Disponible para todos los padres de FAVE.

Spotlight your scholar here!

What is unique and special about FAVE is the flexibility we offer our students to pursue their passions and excel in their talents outside of school while gaining a free public education!

If you have a scholar who is a competitive athlete, a state, national, or world champion, a performer, or anything beyond, we would LOVE to hear your story!

Please consider sharing with us so we can share with others by entering a few bits of information into this quick questionnaire. Know how proud we are of your scholars!!!

Click here to share your scholar's spotlight in our questionnaire.

OR email Mrs. Endicott at endicott@fultonschools.org. Pictures are welcome as well!