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Upcoming Important Dates:

Jan 7-17: MAP HS (Select Students)

Jan 10: FAVE Welcome Back Town Hall

Jan 15 - Feb 28: Access Testing Window

Jan 16: FAFSA Completion Lunch & Learn for Seniors

Jan 17: FAVE Welcome Back Town Hall Click here to join the meeting

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: Welcome to 2025!

Monday January 13 Episode 18 https://www.wevideo.com/view/3668437986

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

FAVE Townhall Meeting | January 17th, 2025

Join us for FAVE's Town Hall next Friday, January 17th! This is a great opportunity to learn more about our school, connect with our community, and stay informed about exciting updates. We look forward to seeing you there!

Friday, January 17th, 2025 at 8 AM

https://tinyurl.com/FAVETOWNHALL



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

February 12- 6:00 pm

March 12- 12:00 pm

March 12- 6:00 pm

April 16- 12:00 pm

April 16- 6:00 pm

CANVAS
FOR FAMILIES

The majority of FCS middle and high schools have adopted the Canvas Learning Management system this year. Have you setup your parent account?

Canvas provides a one stop shop to get important class information for all of your students.

What can you see in the Parent app?

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

Scan this code to learn more about Observer accounts & how to join a 30 minute info session.

Sessions begin Jan. 10.

Canvas Parent app is available on iOS and Android mobile devices. It has a blue logo.
(There are separate apps for students and teachers.)

Scan this code to learn more about the benefits of Canvas.

Visit the Canvas for Families website: https://fultonschools.org/canvas

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CANVAS
FOR FAMILIES

La mayoría de las escuelas secundarias y preparatorias de FCS han adoptado el sistema de gestión de aprendizaje Canvas este año. ¿Ya configuraste tu cuenta de padre?

Canvas ofrece una ventanilla única para obtener información importante de las clases para todos sus estudiantes.

¿Qué puedes ver en la aplicación Padres?

- Anuncios de clases
- Fechas importantes
- Recursos y documentos para las lecciones
- Tareas y retroalimentación del profesor
- ¡Y más!

Escanee este código para obtener más información sobre las cuentas de Observer y cómo unirse a una sesión informativa de 30 minutos.

Las sesiones comienzan el 10 de enero.

La aplicación "Canvas Parent" está disponible en dispositivos móviles iOS y Android. Tiene un logotipo azul.
(Hay aplicaciones separadas para estudiantes y profesores).

Escanee este código para obtener más información sobre los beneficios de Canvas.

Visite el sitio web de Canvas for Families: https://fultonschools.org/canvas

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Understanding Assessment



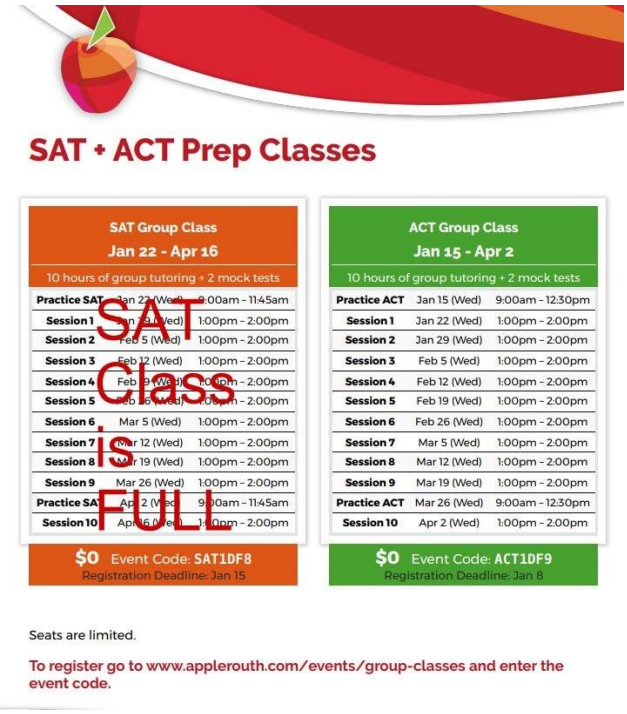
ACT Test Day: March 6th

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



Free ACT Prep Classes @ FAVE! **Registration Closes on 1/13.**

FAVE is excited to partner with Applerouth to offer our students a free test prep opportunity. Grab your free seat today to prep for the ACT! Check the flyer for dates and a link to register. Registered students will be added to a Test Prep Team and will join the Applerouth Tutor via Teams on Wednesdays. Students will be excused from classes on the practice test dates.



SAT + ACT Prep Classes

SAT Group Class Jan 22 - Apr 16

10 hours of group tutoring + 2 mock tests

Practice SAT	Jan 22 (Wed)	9:00am – 11:45am
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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

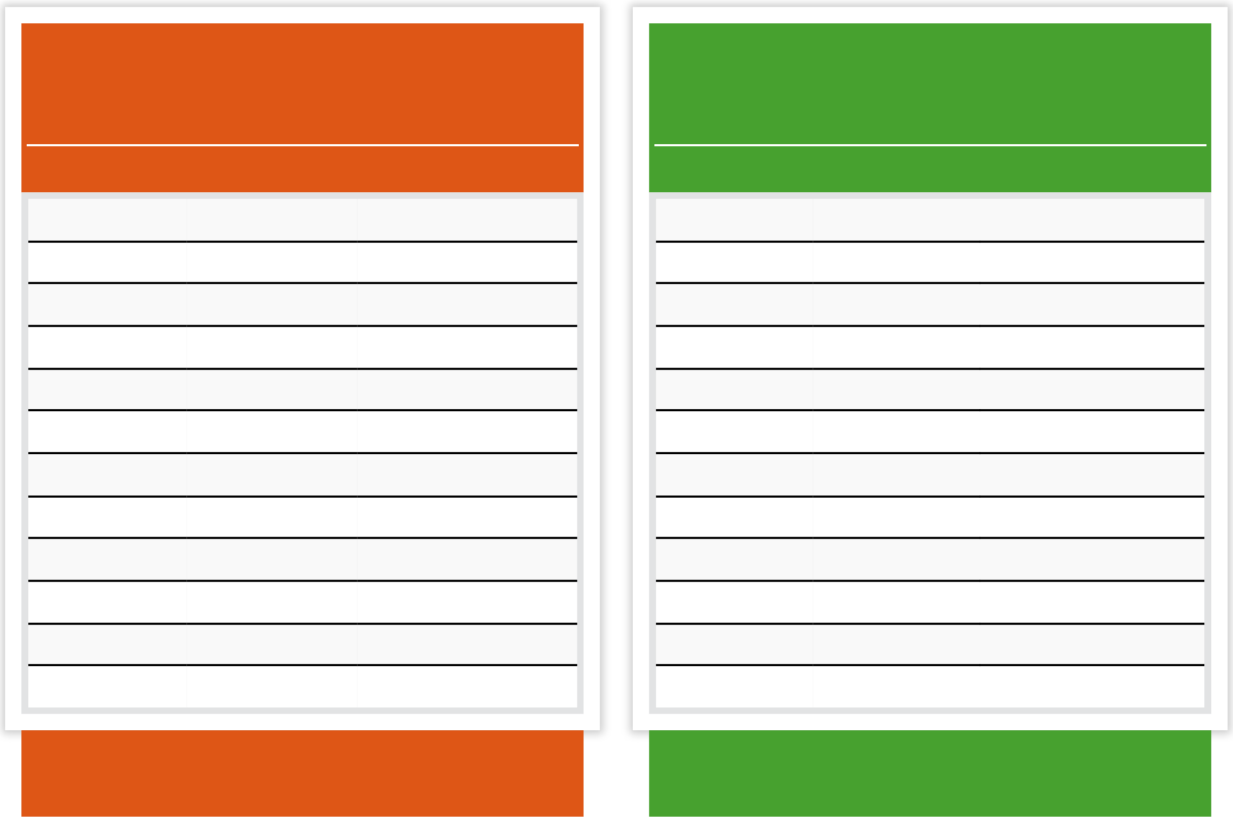
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Seats are limited.

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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.

Academic Probation

1



What is Academic Probation?

Academic Probation is a temporary status assigned to FAVE middle and high school students who fail 3 or more courses in a given quarter of the school year.

2



What does it entail?

Students on academic probation are monitored throughout the next quarter of instruction with the goal of obtaining satisfactory academic standing (passing all classes). There will be a check-in conference at the 4.5 week interval.

3



Additional Requirements

- Students on Academic Probation may also be required to report in person on specific days to receive additional support.
- Students on Academic Probation will be required to check in weekly with an assigned staff member.

4



Getting off of Academic Probation

Students may earn their way off of Academic Probation by earning satisfactory grades and maintaining satisfactory attendance by the end of the probationary period.

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Consequences for lack of Progress

Unfortunately, virtual learning isn't for everyone. Students who continue to fail 3+ courses and/or have chronic absenteeism will be administratively withdrawn at the end of the semester and required to return to in person learning.

Contact hurtk2@fultonschools.org with any questions

FAVE Spring 2025 Application for New Students | December 9th - January 15th



Help Us Grow the FAVE Family! Spring Application window closes on January 15th!

We need your help! As a valued member of our FAVE community, you know firsthand the incredible opportunities our virtual school offers. Now, it's time to share the experience!

Invite your friends and family to join us for the at FAVE!

Spread the word and help us welcome new families into the FAVE experience! Encourage others to discover why FAVE is the perfect place for personalized virtual learning.

Our Spring 2025 application is open! New students interested in enrolling can complete the application form on the link below.

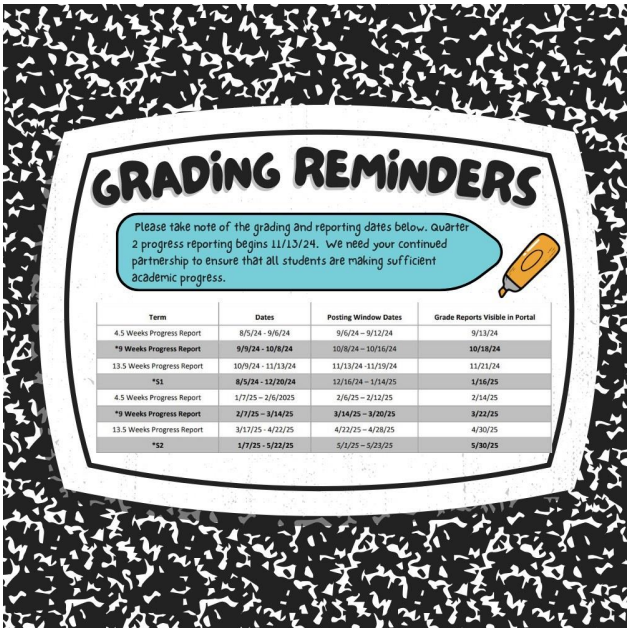
** Completion of this form does not guarantee enrollment.

~ Thank you for being our greatest ambassadors!

Application Form

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 1 Assessment Calendars



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

Elementary

Middle

High

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.



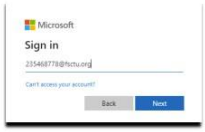
ACCESSING CANVAS FOR STUDENTS ON A MOBILE DEVICE (PHONE OR TABLET)

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.



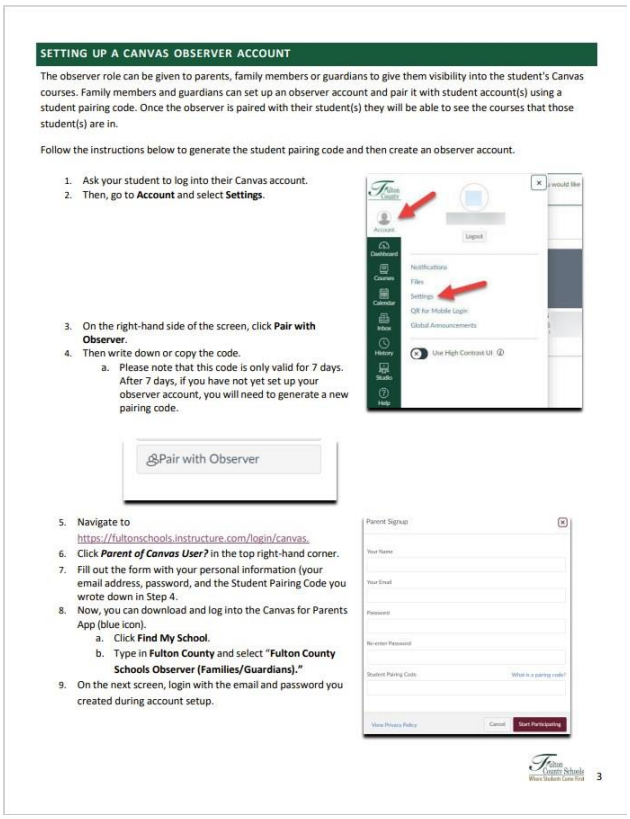
4. After entering your FCS credentials, you will see your Canvas dashboard which displays the different courses.

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**.

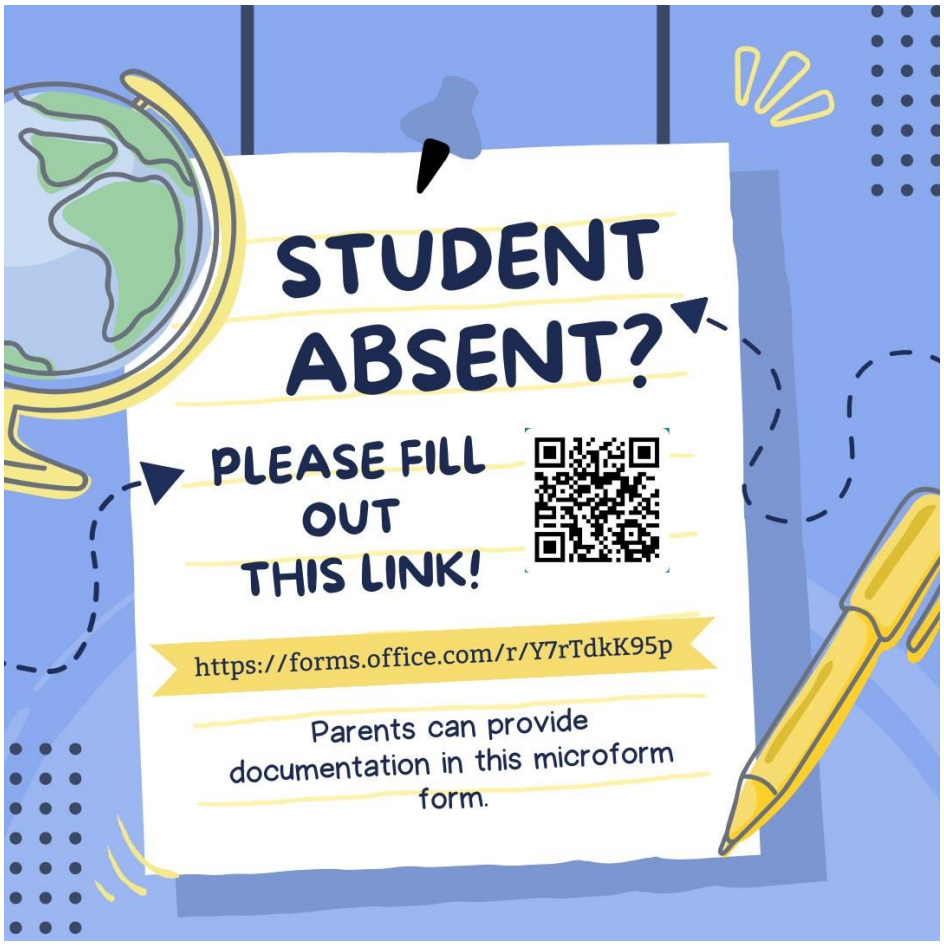
3. On the right-hand side of the screen, click **Pair with Observer**.
4. Then write down or copy the code.
   a. Please note that this code is only valid for 7 days. After 7 days, if you have not yet set up your observer account, you will need to generate a new pairing code.

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.

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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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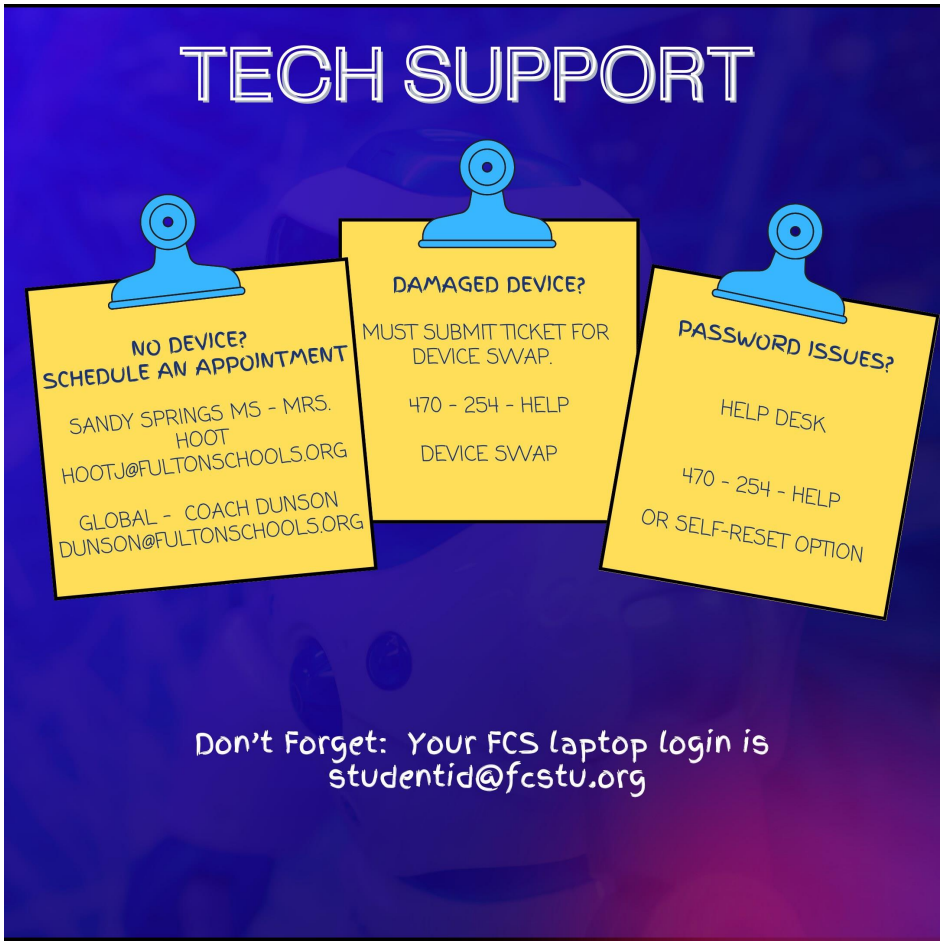
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Follow our Parent Liaison on Facebook: FAVE Parent Liaison Facebook

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!