

Canvas Learning Management System

Canvas is our new learning management system! It allows for teachers to post assignments and classroom information for quick and easy access by students, as well as provides a portal for all kinds of digital resources and collaboration tools.

A key feature of Canvas is the Parent Observer login. This allows you, as the parent, to login with your own credentials and access classroom information and your child's work within the Canvas program.

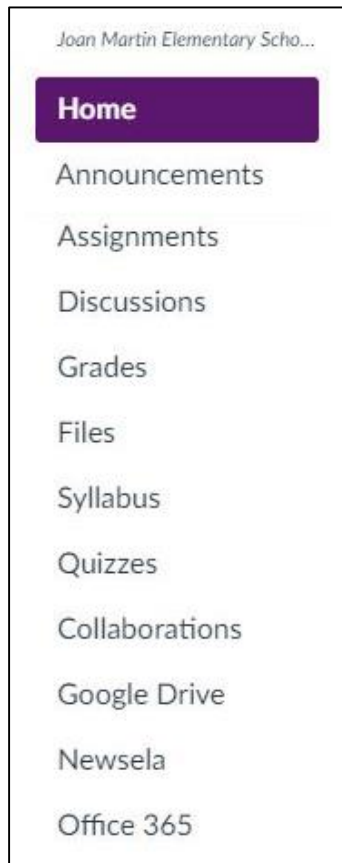
GETTING STARTED

To login, use the district CoolTool or go to <https://hobart.instructure.com> and select the Parent/Guardian login page.

Parents will create their own login and password, and then they can contact the Technology Department to receive a pairing code to connect their account to their child's account. Parents can contact the Technology Department at 219-942-1388.

The screenshot shows the Canvas dashboard interface. At the top, there is a notification banner with a purple background and white text: "Notifications. Tell us how and when you would like to be notified of events in Canvas." Below this is a "Notification Preferences" button. The main header area includes a profile icon labeled "Account" and the word "Dashboard". On the left side, there is a vertical purple sidebar with icons and labels for "Dashboard", "Courses", "Calendar", "Inbox", and "Help". The main content area displays a grid of course tiles. Each tile has a colored header, a title, a subtitle, and a description. The tiles shown are: "Homeroom 3-Osika" (brown header), "Mrs. Osika 2018-2019" (green header with insect illustrations), "Reading 3-Osika" (purple header), "Sci/Health 3-Osika" (blue header), "Soc. Studies 3-Osika" (red header), "Spelling 3-Osika" (dark grey header), and "Writing 3-Osika" (blue header). Each tile also features small icons for notifications, documents, and a folder.

Once logged in, you will be on the Dashboard (as shown in image above). The dashboard shows a tile for each course/subject the student has at school. To view information about any class, or to see postings, assignments, and work, simply click on the class tile.



Once you are inside of a class, you will see the left course navigation menu. This appears only when you are inside of a class. You can click into different sections to get different information.

Click on Assignments to see assignments, both completed and upcoming. You can get due dates here for upcoming assignments and you can see work that has been digitally turned in for past assignments.

Check Discussions for postings from the teacher and comments. This is a good place to find

You can find grades for digital work in the Grades section. Keep in mind that teachers may not post ALL work in Canvas. Work not done digitally may not show in this system, and therefore would not have a grade in Canvas. Skyward should continue to be your source for the full, accurate gradebook.

On the main navigation bar, you can also get to Courses from the Courses button instead of the Dashboard, either way works!

There is also a Calendar, which places every assignment on its due date for students (and parents) easy visibility as to when work is due! This is a great way to help manage time wisely.

The Inbox is a built-in Canvas messaging system that allows you to contact your child's teacher through Canvas. You can use this system or you can email the teacher directly.

Last, take a look at the Help button. It will take you to a great Canvas guide to help you navigate the system.

Also check out the Technology 1:1 page as well as the eLearning page for additional help at <https://www.hobart.k12.in.us/technology>

