

Canvas Observer Account – Parent Access

How to Create a Canvas Observer Account

- Visit <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/33798> --> click “Parent/Family Canvas Login”

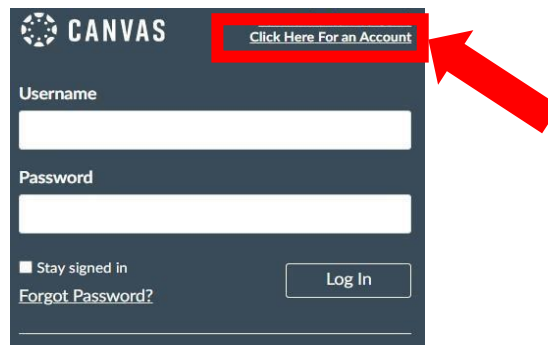
Family Canvas Login

How can I access Canvas to see what my child is working on?

Parents/Guardians can be given observer rights in Canvas so they can support their child in their class(es). If your child is in elementary school, you will need to reach out to their teacher for help in setting this up. If your child is in middle or high school, you can work with them to create the observer account and link it to their own student account in Canvas. Instructions are given in our “Supporting Your Child in Canvas 101” course. Visit the [Parent/Family Canvas Login](#)

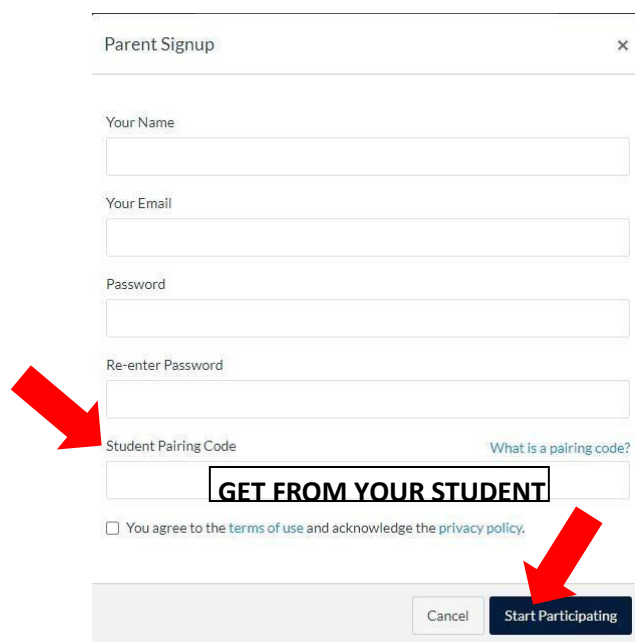
**Parent/Family
Canvas Login**

- Click “Click Here for an Account” in the top right corner.



The image shows the Canvas login interface. At the top right, there is a link that says "Click Here for an Account". This link is highlighted with a red rectangular box, and a red arrow points to it from the right. Below the link are input fields for "Username" and "Password", a checkbox for "Stay signed in", a "Forgot Password?" link, and a "Log In" button.

- Fill in your information.



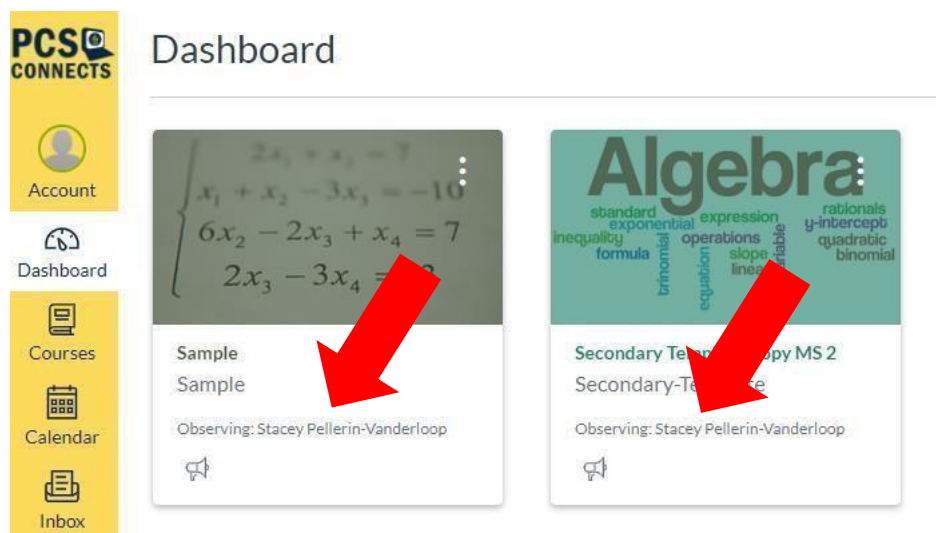
The image shows the "Parent Signup" form. It contains fields for "Your Name", "Your Email", "Password", and "Re-enter Password". Below these is the "Student Pairing Code" field, which has a red arrow pointing to it from the left. To the right of this field is a link that says "What is a pairing code?". Below the pairing code field is a box that says "GET FROM YOUR STUDENT". At the bottom of the form, there is a checkbox for "You agree to the terms of use and acknowledge the privacy policy." and two buttons: "Cancel" and "Start Participating". A red arrow points to the "Start Participating" button from the right.

- Getting the Student Pairing Code
 - Have your student log-in to Canvas
 - Click “Account” in the top left corner
 - Click “Settings”
 - On the far right click, “Pair with Observer”
 - ▢ Pairing Code is single use/expires after 7 days
 - ▢ Pairing Code ONLY works for one email address
 - ▢ If a student needs to be paired with more than one email address, another pairing code is needed

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- Once you click “Start Participating”, your Canvas Dashboard will list the courses that your child is in.
 - You will be paired with your student(s) year after year once paired.
 - You do not need to pair to each class, you are parting to the student and once you are paired you can see all courses the student is enrolled in.

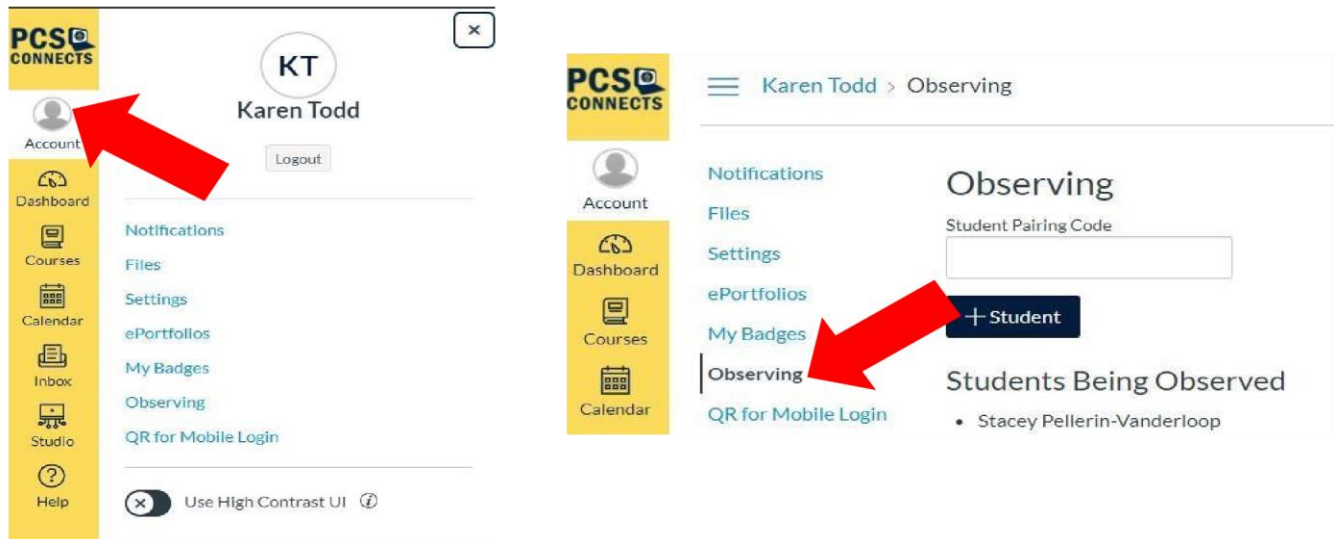


In the example below: Stacey is in two classes, and I am observing her in both. Click on the course tile to see the information in the course.

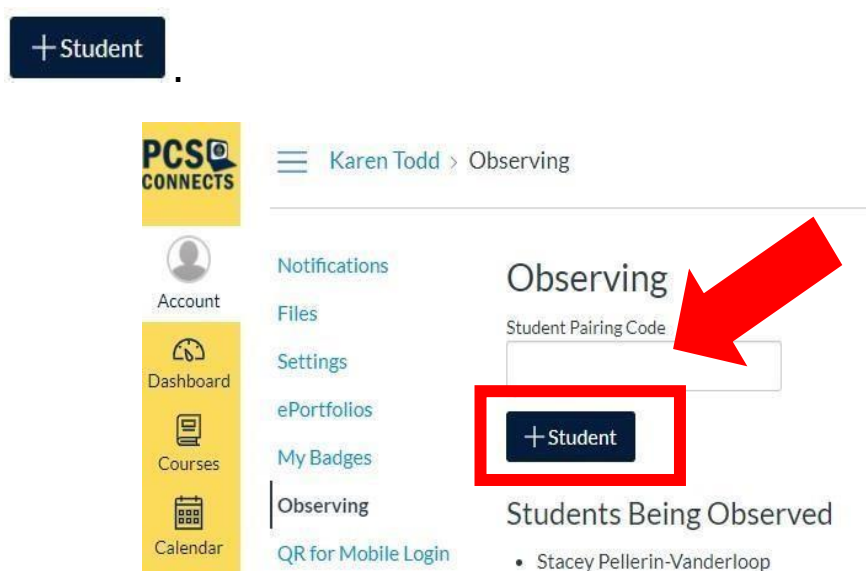


PAIRING MORE THAN ONE STUDENT TO THE SAME PARENT ACCOUNT

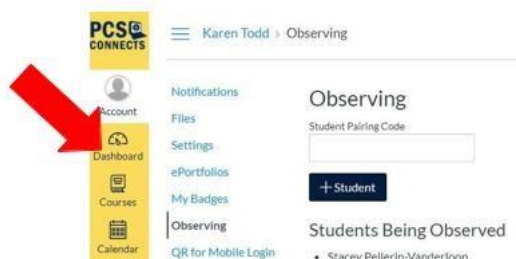
- If you have more than one child that you would like to observe follow these steps:
 - While you are logged in to Canvas, click “Account”
 - Select “Observing”



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- Enter the student “Pairing Code” for another student in the box and click



- Click “Dashboard” to return to see all the courses your child(ren) are taking.



LOGGING BACK IN TO YOUR ACCOUNT AFTER IT HAS BEEN CREATED

- Visit <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/33798>
- Click “Parent/Family Canvas Login”
- Username: is your personal email address you used to create your account
- Password is the one you set when creating account
- Click Log In

Parent Canvas Training

- If you are interested in a self-paced Parent Canvas Training course, please visit this link: <https://www.pcsb.org/Page/33797>