Helping Your Child Navigate Brightspace
What is Brightspace?

A digital space for learners to find all their classes, lessons and assessments

Learners can submit assessments in a variety of ways, including text, audio or video formats

Learners can connect with their teacher or other classmates through the Activity Feed or Discussions

Learners can create a digital Portfolio that follows them year after year

Parents and guardians can stay connected using Brightspace Parent & Guardian
Accessing Brightspace

What do I see when I login?

What is on the Course Homepage?
The Brightspace Landing Page

When your child has logged into their district’s Brightspace, they will come to the **Landing Page**.

While your district’s page may look a bit different, there are some common elements to know:

1. Where to find your child’s profile and setup notifications
2. Where to see new notifications
3. Where to access your child’s courses

Click on the course you would like to access to move the **Course Homepage**.
What’s on the Course Homepage?

Just like the Landing Page, each Course Homepage may look a bit different depending on how your child’s teacher set up their classroom.

Some common elements to know:
1. Return to district Landing Page
2. Return to Course Homepage
3. Course Navbar to access Brightspace tools and links
4. Course Waffle to switch between classes
What’s Next?

Commonly Used Tools in Brightspace
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**Announcements**
- Multimedia-capable tool to allow teacher to create rich announcements for students on the course homepage.

**Assignments**
- Submission folders are found here.
- Students can track their assignments and see what has/has not been submitted, including due dates.

**Portfolio**
- Documentation tool to collect evidence of learning.
- Can access Portfolios from previous years.

**Content**
- Where you can find the lesson content that is being shared by the educator.

**Activity Feed**
- Interactive tool for educators to share activities on the course homepage.
- Social media-inspired communication tool.
Tool Spotlight: Portfolio

- Portfolio makes it easy for your child to capture their learning and share with their teacher.
- Teachers can provide feedback to students and their families to support the learning.
- Portfolio can capture videos, photos, and documents.
- View your child’s Portfolio by clicking on their name in the top right corner of any Brightspace page.
Additional Resources to Support your Child

- Click the icons for short video tutorials
- Navigating Your Brightspace Homepages
- Updating Notifications and Profile
- Using Video Note
- Completing a Quiz
- Posting in a Discussion