Guardian’s Guide to Google Classroom: Where teaching and learning come together

Welcome to Classroom: a safe and personalized learning space for students and teachers. Think of Classroom as a central place where assignments are shared, collaboration is encouraged, and communication is a breeze.

Classroom is part of the Google Workspace for Education suite of learning tools, helping teachers easily give out homework, provide individualized feedback, and keep in touch regularly. These features make it easy for you to stay involved in your student’s learning journey.

How we keep parents and guardians informed

A teacher or school administrator can invite a guardian to accept an invitation to receive email summaries about their student’s work, which include information about classwork and class activities. Please talk to your school to learn more about email summaries for parents and guardians.

How Classroom supports your students

Personalized learning
Teachers can create assignments for the whole class and tailor them for individual students. Some teachers even use AI-powered tools that give students personalized hints if they get stuck while working on an activity. Plus, real-time feedback helps encourage students’ critical-thinking and problem-solving skills.

Classwork in one place
Within Classroom, students can access content teachers have shared, such as learning resources, reading materials, videos, links, and handouts – all in one place.

Organization and time management
With built-in interactive to-do lists and calendars with due dates, Classroom encourages students to take ownership of their learning and develop essential skills they need today and for their futures.

Announcements to stay in the know
Students can get details about class projects and more by receiving email notifications and viewing posts made by their teacher on their class’s stream. This page is available when they sign in to Classroom through a web browser or in the mobile app on iOS and Android.

Easy communication with teachers
Students can easily message their teacher and classmates directly with questions or comments about assignments and announcements.

Transparent grading and feedback
In Classroom, students can quickly view all of their work including upcoming assignments, graded work, and what’s late or missing. For some assignments, students can even access their grades immediately after they complete the assignment.
How Google Classroom supports your students

**Accessibility and inclusivity**
Google Classroom supports all types of learners and helps every student learn how they learn best. It’s accessible in over 50 languages, with a screen reader, keyboard-only support, high-contrast mode, and so much more.

**Uninterrupted learning**
Classroom helps students work seamlessly on mobile or desktop. With Classroom on Android, students can even work in offline mode. Students can also turn in non-digital work by capturing images of the work using an iPhone, iPad, Android, or computer.

**Skills for the future**
Google Workspace for Education tools like Classroom help students develop the soft skills needed to prepare them for college and their future careers, such as collaborating with peers on team assignments in Docs, Sheets, and Slides.

How is your student’s data kept private and safe?
Google is committed to building products that help protect student and teacher privacy and provide best-in-class security for our schools. Classroom is private, ad-free, and provides a safer digital learning environment that meets rigorous local, national, and international compliance standards, including FERPA, COPPA, and GDPR.

You can learn more about Google for Education’s commitment to privacy and security at our Privacy and Security Center, and by checking out our Google Workspace for Education Privacy Notice.

Questions to ask your student about Classroom

- Do you use Classroom and, if so, how are you using it?
- Can you tell me about a cool project you are working on in school using Classroom?
- Have you worked on any group projects lately? What interesting tools are you using to collaborate with your group?

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1. Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
2. Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998
3. General Data Protection Regulation