

How do I sign up for a Canvas account as a parent?

Parents can sign up as an observer in Canvas. Observers can link their Canvas account to their student's account so they can see assignment dues dates, announcements, and other course content. Observers can view the course content but cannot participate in the course.

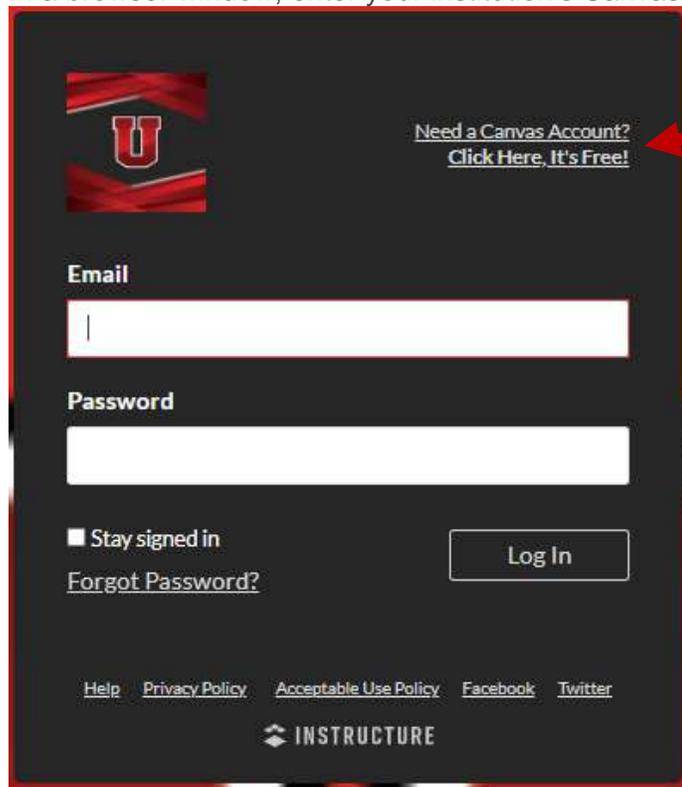
Notes:

- To observe a student, you **must** have a [student pairing code](#).
- Once you have an account, you may be able to view student information through the Canvas Parent app. Access to the Canvas Parent app is controlled by the student's institution. If you already have an account from your student's institution as an observer, you can always view student information through the Canvas Parent app.

Open Canvas URL

In a browser window, enter your institution's Canvas

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Create Canvas Account

Click the **Need a Canvas Account?** link.

After you click you should see this:



Click the **Parents sign up here** link.

Enter Signup Details

The image shows a 'Parent Signup' form with the following fields and elements:

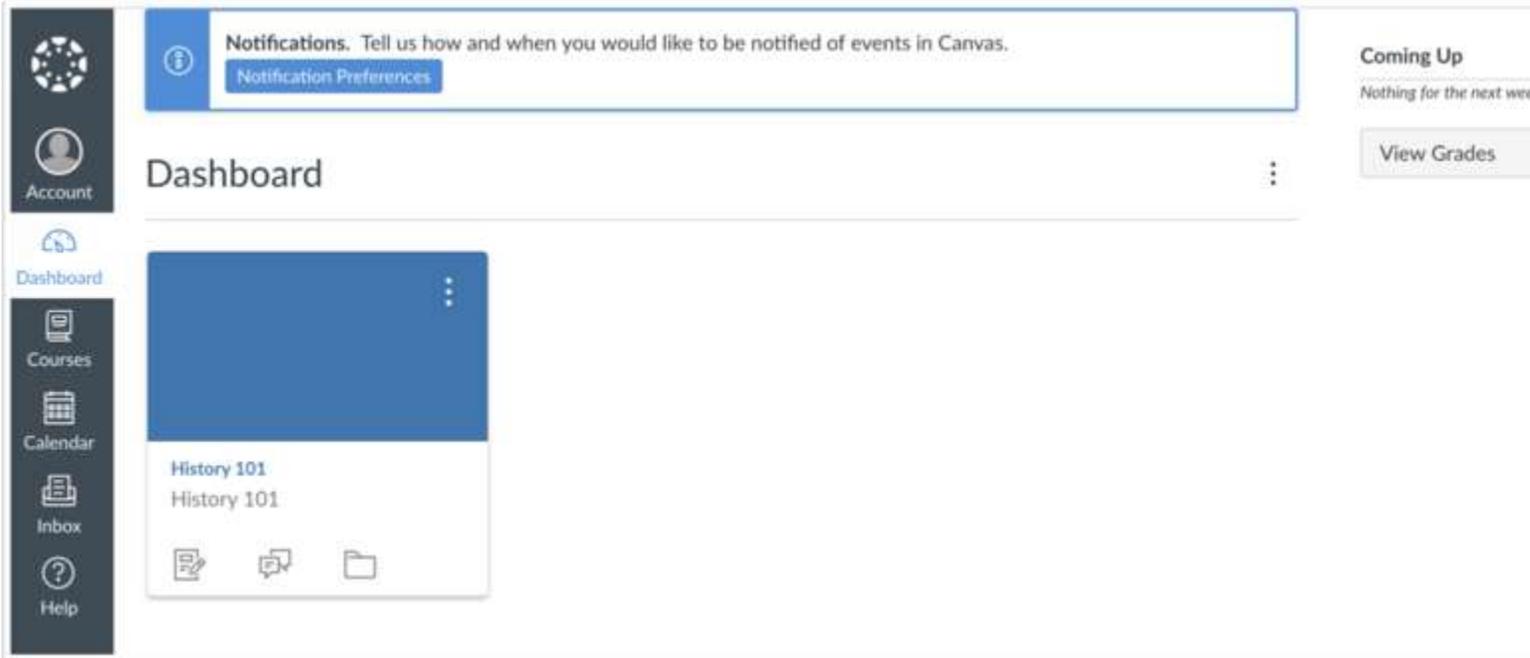
- 1** Your Name: A text input field.
- 2** Your Email: A text input field.
- 3** Password: A text input field.
- 4** Re-enter Password: A text input field.
- 5** Student Pairing Code: A text input field with a link 'What is a pairing code?' to its right.
- 6** You agree to the [terms of use](#) and acknowledge the [privacy policy](#).
- 7** A bar at the bottom containing a 'Cancel' button and a blue 'Start Participating' button.

Enter the following information:

1. Enter your name in the **Your Name** field.
2. Enter your email in the **Your Email** field.
3. Enter your password in the **Password** field.
4. Re-enter your password in the **Re-enter Password** field.
5. Enter a pairing code to link your account to your student in the **Student Pairing Code** field.
6. Agree to the terms of use by clicking the **You agree to the terms of use** checkbox.
7. Click the **Start Participating** button.

Note: Students can [generate pairing codes](#) from their User Settings. Teachers may also be able to generate pairing codes.

Begin Observing



You can begin observing your student in Canvas immediately.