



# Killian Middle School Parent University

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We want you to be involved in Killian MS!

- Mentor program
- Field trips
- Project Based Learning panels
- Career Day presenters
- PTA volunteers



# SCHOOL SAFETY



LISD knows students can't learn if they don't feel safe. We have great partnerships with our local law enforcement, in addition to our own safety and security department.

- ❑ Secure entryways
- ❑ Enhanced video cameras
- ❑ Training for staff
- ❑ Full time SRO, Chris Herring

# Canvas

All students will access materials for their classes in a system called Canvas. This is a “one-stop” place to go for classroom information for every class your child is taking. Teachers post daily assignments, resources, announcements, study guides and quizzes and tests.

Students can use the calendar feature in place of a paper “planner”.

As a parent you can be an observer in the Canvas Classroom.





# Observer (Parent) Set Up

Set up your account with a  
Browser - not the CANVAS APP

To access your Parent Canvas  
account

[lisdtx.instructure.com](https://lisdtx.instructure.com)

or download the Canvas  
Student app (iOS or Android)

In the app, when selecting an  
institution, select Lewisville  
ISD - Parent



## Observer (Parent) Set Up

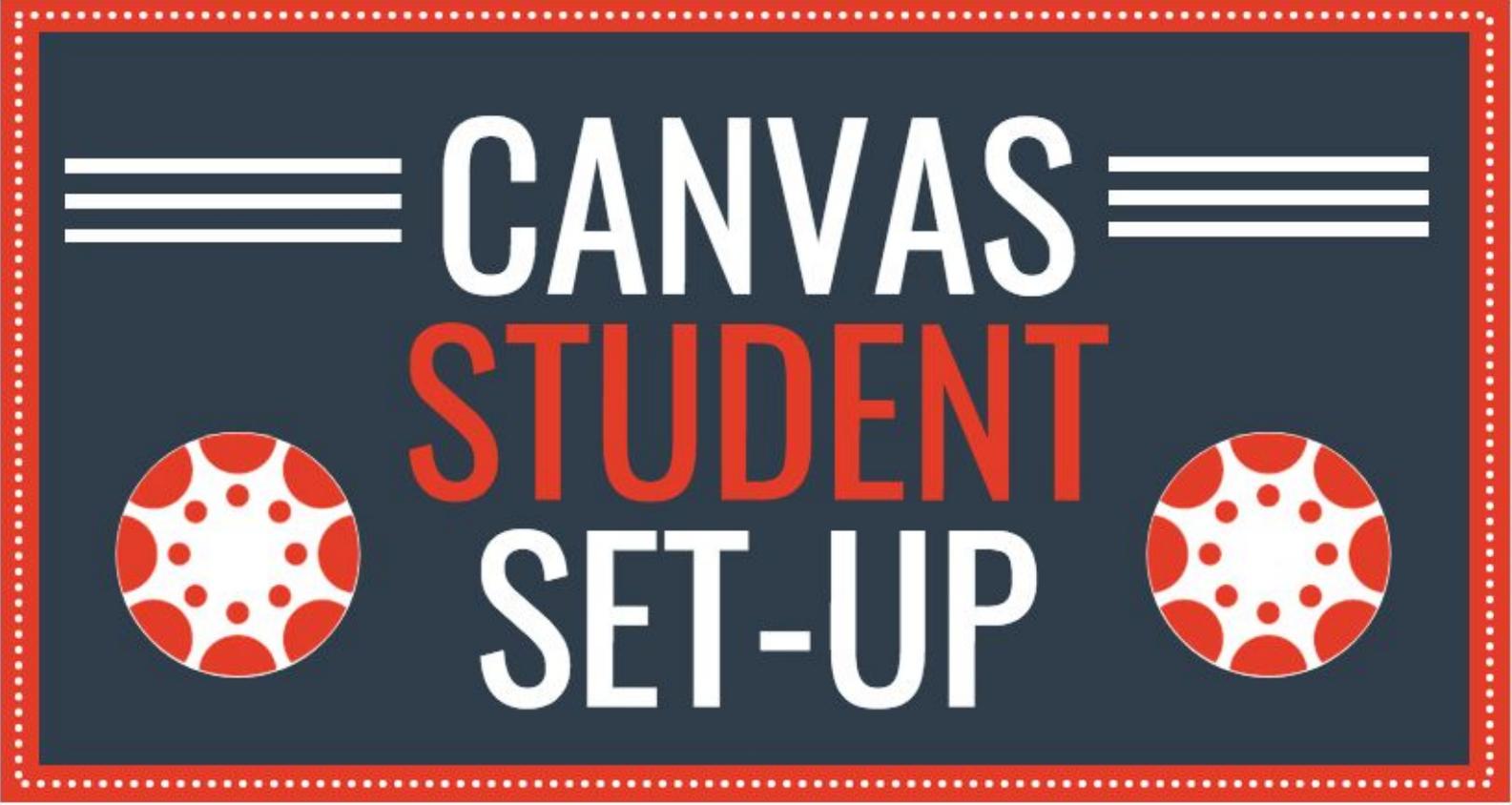
**USE the STUDENT APP, not the  
Parent one!**

**Get a pairing code by having  
your child use a Browser and  
log in through the Learning  
Hub / CANVAS.**

**Go to Settings: “Pair with an  
Observer”**

**Use this code to add students  
to your parent account.**

**Each parent will need their  
own pairing code.**



**CANVAS**  
**STUDENT**  
**SET-UP**

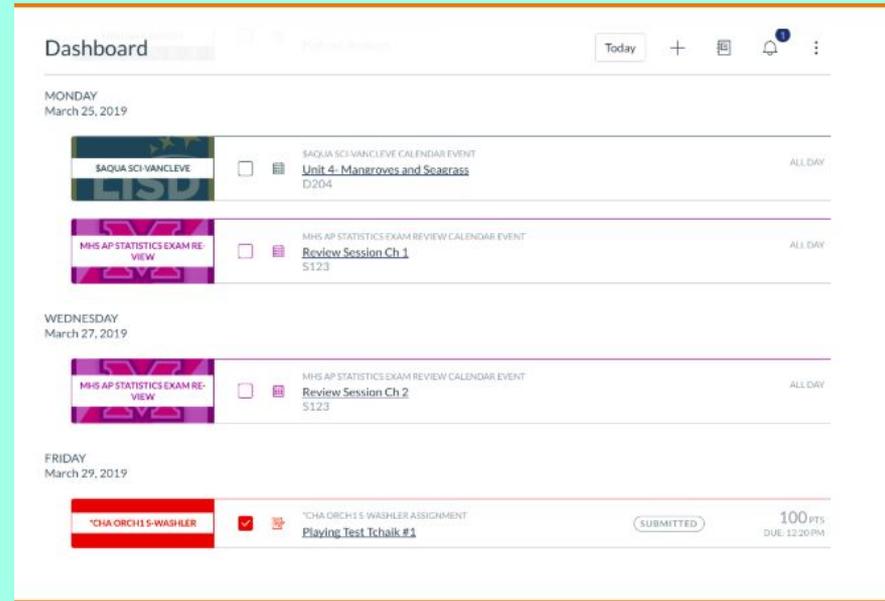
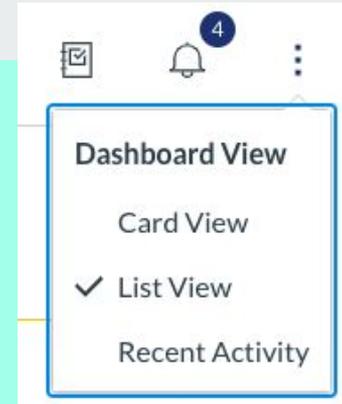
The graphic features a dark blue background with a red border containing a white dotted pattern. On the left and right sides, there are three horizontal white lines and a circular icon with a white background and red dots of varying sizes. The text 'CANVAS' is in white, 'STUDENT' is in red, and 'SET-UP' is in white.

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# Canvas

Students may choose list view to access a planner view of Canvas.

Click on the three dots on the right-hand side and choose List View.



# Notifications Set Up

Students should use notifications to help them stay organized and not miss due dates.

However, consider that choosing “Notify right away” may cause many alerts to interrupt your child. Consider “Daily Summary”.

Parents can also create alerts for their account that are separate from the student.

## Set Notification Preferences

### Notification Preferences

✓ Notify me right away   ⌚ Send daily summary   📅 Send weekly summary   ✕ Do not send me anything

Course Activities	Email Address emily.boone.canvas@gmail.com	Email Address emboone86@gmail.com	Push Notification For All Devices	Email Address email@email.com	Cell Number 1234567890@tmail.net
Due Date	1 ✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Grading Policies	2 ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Course Content	✓ 3 📅 ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Files	✓ ⌚ 4 ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Announcement	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕
Announcement Created By You	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕	✓ ⌚ 📅 ✕	✓ ✕

Each notification is set to a default preference. To change a notification for a contact method, locate the notification and click the icon for your preferred delivery type.

To receive a notification right away, click the **Checkmark** icon [1]. These notifications may be delayed by up to one hour in case an instructor makes additional changes, which prevents you from being spammed by multiple notifications in a short amount of time.

To receive a daily notification, click the **Clock** icon [2].

To receive a weekly notification, click the **Calendar** icon [3]. The date and time of your weekly notifications are posted at the bottom of the notifications page.

If you do not want to receive a notification, click the **Remove** icon [4].

# Navigating Parent Canvas



# Expectations of Teachers

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- Announcements and reminders will be posted through Canvas
- All graded work will be posted on Canvas calendar so students know to expect it
- Canvas gradebook will be phased in this year with an emphasis on all Major grades during 2nd semester
- Teachers will also be practicing using the Canvas gradebook for minor grades



# Skyward

- Skyward is the “official grade book”. ALL assignments end up here.
- Some assignments are graded in CANVAS and synced with Skyward.
- Skyward grade notifications are another valuable tool.
- Grades should be checked at least weekly.



# Skyward: What do those P's and T's mean?

P = Progress Report grade  
T = TERM (9 week) grade

1P1 = 1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks, Progress 1  
1P2 = 1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks, Progress 2  
19T = Final 1<sup>st</sup> 9 weeks grade  
C = Citizenship  
(How you act in class)

The progress report periods (1P1, 2P2, etc) are SNAPSHOTS of what your grade is so far for that 9 week term. They do not get averaged together!

	1P1	1P2	C3	19T	2P1	2P2
	100	97	S	98	90	88
	80	72	S	70	53	70
	90	75	S	76	41	70
	95	73	S	73	70	72
	72	78		73	84	79
	95	91	S	93	97	97
		100	S	100	100	100

# Skyward: Active Grade Periods

Active grade periods are highlighted in yellow. These are the only grades that students have control over at this time.

**In this example**, 29T is the term that is open. This includes the two progress report periods (2P1 and 2P2).

The 19T and 29T grade periods will **AVERAGE** together for a 1st Semester (S1) average.

Grades posted to the report  
Current grades

1P1	1P2	C3	19T	2P1	2P2	C6	29T	EX1	S1
95	90	S	90	58	58		58		74
88	91		90	90	90		90		90
98	95		95	80	80		80		88
98	79	S	75	63	63		63		69
99	99		99	100	100		100		100
100	100	S	100	100	100		100		100
100	100		100	100	100		100		100

# The Rest of the Year.....

EX 1 = 1st Semester Exam = 10% of S1 grade.

High School credit course exams count 15% of the semester average.

39T and 49T (3rd and 4th nine weeks) are averaged, along with the EX2 (10%) = S2

S1 (Semester 1) and S2 (Semester 2) are averaged for the MYR. This is the grade we look at to determine if a student has failed and requires summer school.

S1	3P1	3P2	C9	39T	4P1	4P2	C12	49T	EX2	S2	MYR
94	100	97	S	97						97	96
67	74	77	S	76						76	72
75	51	51		55						55	65
77	29	70	N	72						72	75
75	74	70		70						70	73
93	92	94	S	92						92	93
100	100	100	S	100						100	100

# Analyzing Grades

- Low grades and zeros are causing the average to be very low = 55.
- Had this student had three 70, instead of zeros, his Homework average would have been a 78!
- Tests count  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the grade! It is almost impossible to pass a class with a failing test average... certainly one this low!
- The two 50's on tests could have been 70's if he had gone to tutorials and made up the tests.
- **His average for 39T would have been a 70.**

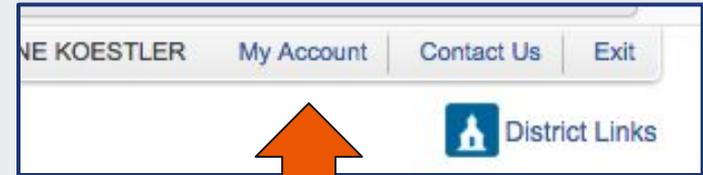
Homework		64	64.47	967 out of 1500
weighted at 40.00%				
03/28/18	Volume of Pyramids	80	80.00	80 out of 100
03/28/18	Volume of Prisms	100	100.00	100 out of 100
03/20/18	Surface Area	100	100.00	100 out of 100
03/20/18	Lateral SA of Prisms	90	90.00	90 out of 100
03/01/18	Area of Circles	0	0.00	0 out of 100
02/26/18	Circumference of a Circle	50	50.00	50 out of 100
02/21/18	Circle Attributes	100	100.00	100 out of 100
02/13/18	Equations/Inequalities Practice	40	40.00	40 out of 100
02/12/18	Solving Inequalities	82	82.00	82 out of 100
02/02/18	Geometric Equations	75	75.00	75 out of 100
02/01/18	Equations Circuit	100	100.00	100 out of 100
02/01/18	W & S 2 Step Equations	0	0.00	0 out of 100
01/26/18	Writing Equations	0	0.00	0 out of 100
01/26/18	2 step equations	100	100.00	100 out of 100
01/25/18	1-Step Equations HW	50	50.00	50 out of 100
Quiz		40	40.00	40 out of 100
weighted at 10.00%				
02/02/18	Quiz on Equations	40	40.00	40 out of 100
Test		50	50.00	100 out of 200
weighted at 50.00%				
03/07/18	Circles Test	50	50.00	50 out of 100
02/15/18	Unit 5 Test	50	50.00	50 out of 100

# Skyward Notifications



You can set notifications to email an alert to you for low grades. You get to choose what the low grade is.

Some people might choose below 80, while others might choose below 70 or below 50.



**Email Notifications**

Receive Daily Attendance Notifications for my student(s) by  
     Email    Wall Message    Email and Wall Message

Receive Grading Emails for my student(s) ?  
    Assignment/Class Percent Overrides (If blank, the School default low and/or high percent)  
    Low:  for JENNA KOESTLER

Receive Progress Report Emails for my student(s)  
     Daily    Weekly (every Saturday)    Monthly (1st of each month)

# Good Students....



## Get Organized:

- Use Canvas to locate assignments, find study material, and to submit work.
- Keep homework papers in one place.
- Keep the backpack clean.
- Check Skyward twice a week to confirm everything is turned in.
- Make calendar appointments for tutorials.

## Study:

- Use class time wisely.
- Attend tutorials to ask questions and get help.
- Review notes and classwork daily (10 minutes each class)
- Study BEFORE the test!
- Consider a study group with friends.

# Questions?

