



Parent Observer Accounts

Canvas



What is Canvas?

Canvas is a Learning Management System (think Blackboard, Moodle, etc.) This web application is a comprehensive method to deliver instruction. Institutions from K-12 public schools to Harvard all use Canvas for online instruction.

Students will access all SCMS courses through Canvas. A direct link to CMS Canvas courses is

cms.instructure.com

What can I see in Canvas?

Parents are able to observe a student's Canvas courses. An observer can see the directions, modules and assignments within a class.

A parent cannot talk with other students, see student work, or view any sensitive student information outside of their own child.

This is how you hold your student accountable when they say :

“Mrs. Thompson didn't post anything in Canvas.”

NOT TRUE!! You can look in Canvas, see the work and take their phone as a punishment ;) haha!

How should My Student Login to Canvas?

Students can [login to Canvas](#) using their NCEdCloud account OR their CMS Google Account. Both work!

NOTE: Most students forget their NCEdCloud account credentials for whatever reason. Please have them login to Canvas using CMS Google Account if that is the case.

My Student Forgot All Their Passwords.

Any teacher can reset students' Google and NCEdCloud password. You may also send the student to see Mrs. Frick in the Media Center for assistance with passwords.

How do I Access My Student's Canvas Courses?

There are two major steps to gaining Canvas access: (1) retrieve your student's pairing code and (2) create a parent account. You must complete these steps in this order to successfully gain access.

Retrieving Your Student's Canvas Pairing Code

Step 1: Have your student log into Canvas Cms.instructure.com

Students can log into
Canvas using their
NCEdCloud account
Or CMS Google
Account.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL <https://canvas.cms.instructure.com/>. The page header includes the CMS logo (Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools) and the title "Canvas Login Options". The page is divided into two main sections:

- Staff and Students Login:** This section contains two buttons: "Login with NCEdCloud IAM" and "Login with Google".
- Parent/Guardian/Observer Login:** This section contains a button "Login to Canvas" and a note: "Not for students or CMS staff accounts".

At the bottom of the page, there is a yellow button that says "Learn more about Canvas".

Step 2: Click on Circle then “Settings” Option

The screenshot shows a user profile page for Rebecca Thompson. A red arrow points from the text "First Click: Circle" to the user's profile picture in the left sidebar. A second red arrow points from the text "Second Click: Settings" to the "Settings" option in the same sidebar. The main content area displays several cards, including one for "2018-2019 MTSS Administrator C..." and another for "Counselors' Corner JMR". The right sidebar contains a "To Do" list with items like "Grade DOM: Canvas Page Assignment" and "Grade D.O.M. - Canvas Profile Settings Assignment".

First Click: Circle

Second Click: Settings

cms First Click: Circle Rebecca Thompson Logout

Notifications Profile Files Settings ePortfolios Shared Content My Badges QR for Mobile Login

Use High Contrast UI

To Do

- 1 Grade DOM: Canvas Page Assignment TL - L1 3 points • Aug 10, 2015 at 11:59pm
- 1 Grade D.O.M. - Canvas Profile Settings Assignment TL - L1 3 points • Dec 25, 2015 at 11:59pm
- 1 Grade D.O.M. - GAFE CTE 2015 100 points • Apr 27, 2016 at 11:59pm
- 1 Grade D.O.M. - Atomic Learning Tech Skills TL - L1 3 points • No Due Date
- 1 Grade Test 1 TL - L1 24 points • No Due Date

8 more...

Coming Up View Calendar

Nothing for the next week

Recent Feedback

Nothing for now

https://cms.instructure.com/profile/settings

Step 3: Click on “Pair with Observer”

Rebecca Thompson's settings

Notifications
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 **Rebecca Thompson's Settings**

Full Name: Thompson, Rebecca K
This name will be used for grading.

Display Name: Rebecca Thompson
People will see this name in discussions, messages and comments.

Sortable Name: Thompson, Rebecca K
This name appears in sorted lists.

Language: System Default (English (US))

Time Zone: Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Ways to Log In

Organization	Login
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	4759112138
Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools	rebeccak.thompson@cms.k12.nc.us

Web Services

Canvas can make your life a lot easier by tying itself in with the web tools you already use. Click any of the services in "Other Services" to see what we mean.

Let fellow course/group members see which services I've linked to my profile

Ways to Contact

Email Addresses

rebeccak.thompson... ★
+ Email Address

Other Contacts **Type**

3302043951@vtext...	sms	🗑️
For All Devices	push	🗑️
8032032629@vtext...	sms	🗑️

+ Contact Method

 Edit Settings

 Download Submissions

 Pair with Observer



Step 4: WRITE DOWN THIS CODE!

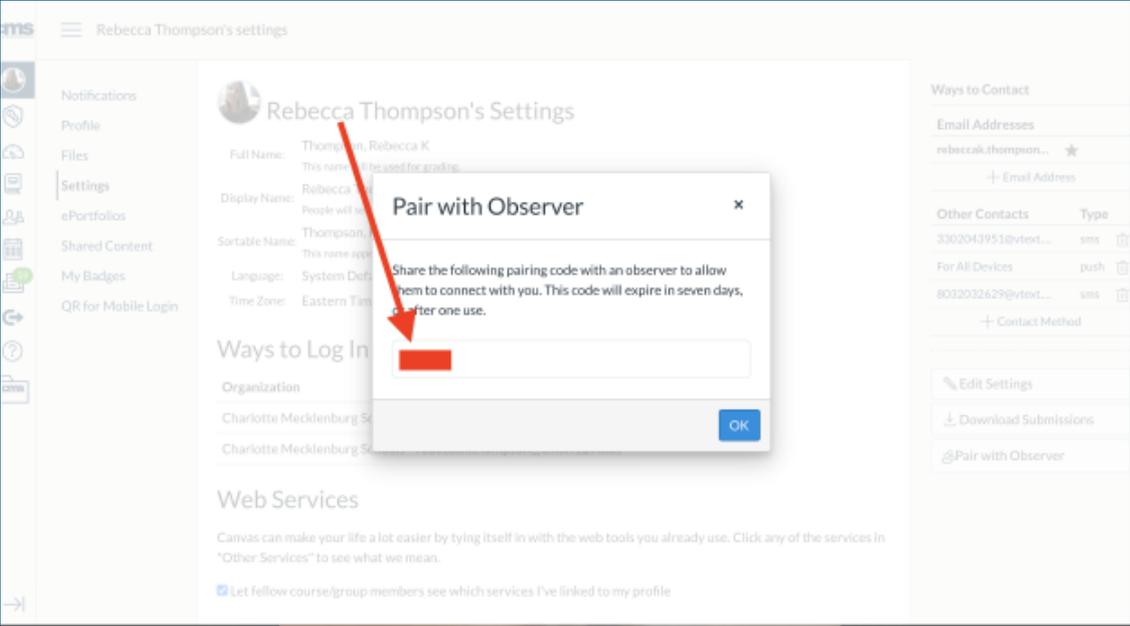
A unique code

Will appear where the

Red box is on this

Picture. Write that

Down.

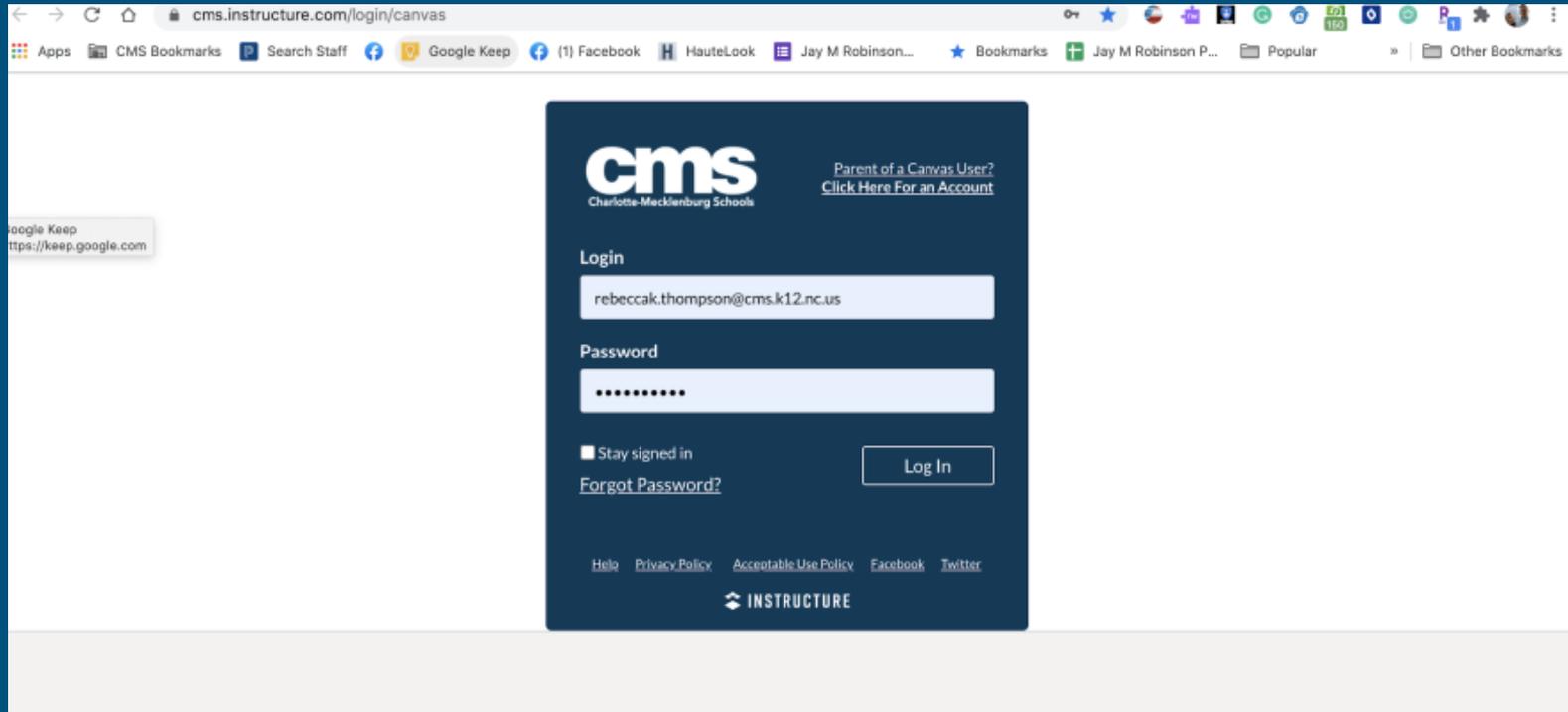


The screenshot shows the 'Rebecca Thompson's Settings' page. A modal dialog titled 'Pair with Observer' is open, displaying the following text: 'Share the following pairing code with an observer to allow them to connect with you. This code will expire in seven days, after one use.' Below the text is a text input field containing a red box. A red arrow points from the text 'Write that Down.' in the slide to this red box. The dialog also includes an 'OK' button. The background settings page shows fields for Full Name, Display Name, Sortable Name, Language, Time Zone, and Ways to Log In.

Creating a Canvas Parent Account with your Student Pairing Code

HALFWAY THERE, SHOCKERS!

Step 1: Go to <https://cms.instructure.com/login/canvas>

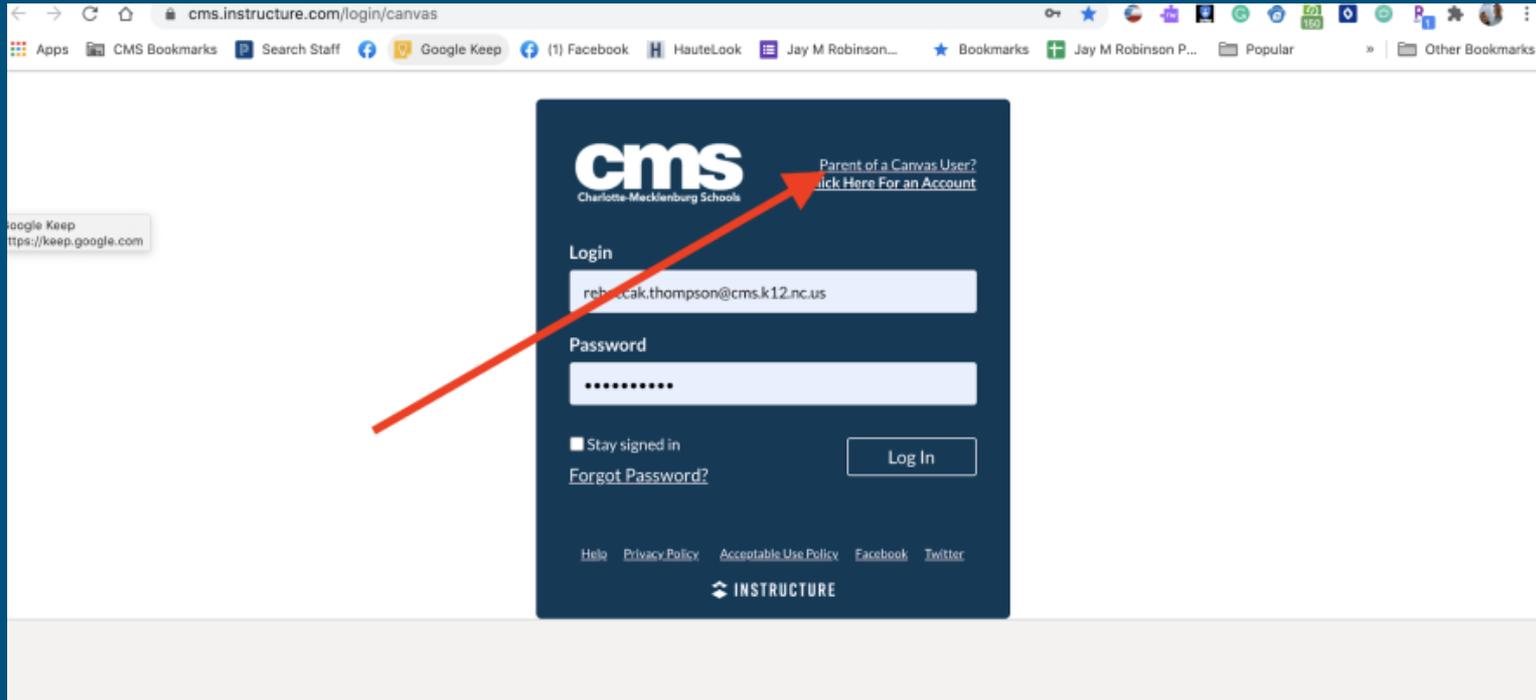


The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying cms.instructure.com/login/canvas. The browser's bookmark bar includes items like 'Apps', 'CMS Bookmarks', 'Search Staff', 'Google Keep', '(1) Facebook', 'HauteLook', 'Jay M Robinson...', 'Bookmarks', 'Jay M Robinson P...', 'Popular', and 'Other Bookmarks'. A Google Keep notification is visible on the left side of the page.

The main content area features a dark blue login card for 'cms Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools'. The card includes the following elements:

- cms** logo and 'Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools' text.
- Link: [Parent of a Canvas User? Click Here For an Account](#)
- Login** section with a text input field containing the email address `rebeccak.thompson@cms.k12.nc.us`.
- Password** section with a masked password input field (represented by dots).
- Stay signed in
- [Forgot Password?](#) link
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- Footer links: [Help](#), [Privacy Policy](#), [Acceptable Use Policy](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#)
- INSTRUCTURE logo at the bottom.

Step 2: Click on “Parent of a Canvas User”

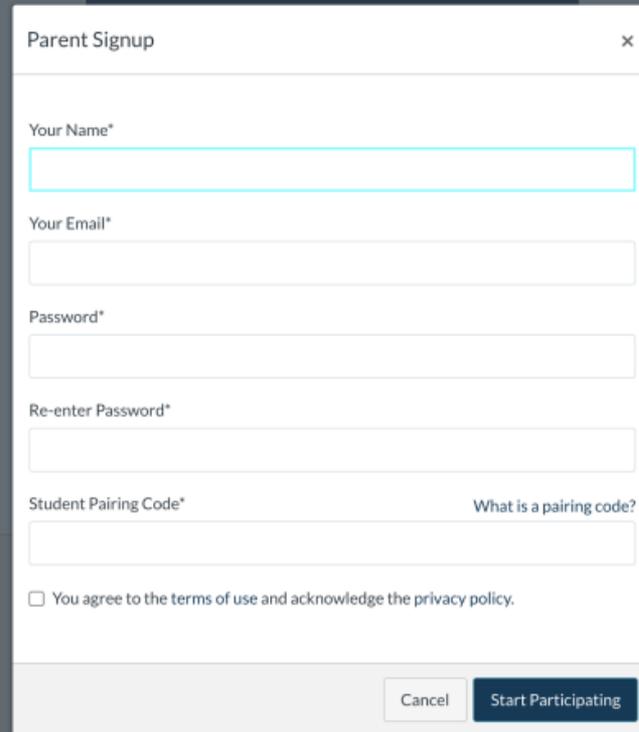


The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL `cms.instructure.com/login/canvas`. The page features a dark blue login card with the **cms** logo and "Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools" text. A red arrow points to the link "Parent of a Canvas User? Click Here For an Account" located in the top right corner of the login card. Below the logo, there are input fields for "Login" (containing the email `rebecca.k.thompson@cms.k12.nc.us`) and "Password" (masked with dots). A "Log In" button is positioned to the right of the password field. At the bottom of the card, there are links for "Help", "Privacy Policy", "Acceptable Use Policy", "Facebook", and "Twitter", along with the INSTRUCTURE logo.

Step 3: Fill Out Information

Special note to CMS Employees:

Please use a **personal email** to view
your child's courses.



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

- Parent Signup** (Title bar with a close button 'x')
- Your Name*** (Text input field)
- Your Email*** (Text input field)
- Password*** (Text input field)
- Re-enter Password*** (Text input field)
- Student Pairing Code*** (Text input field) with a link: [What is a pairing code?](#)
- You agree to the terms of use and acknowledge the privacy policy.
- Cancel** (Button)
- Start Participating** (Button)

Step 4: Review your student's courses

You should be able to “see” links to student courses. If you do not see anything, you still did everything correct. I promise! Courses may not show up until your student's teacher officially publish their courses.

FYI - You can set notifications to your email account from Canvas when your student turns in an assignment, late work, etc.

You made it! Great work!

Questions?

Please email Marjorie.frick@cms.k12.nc.us with any questions regarding Canvas.