

# What is Canvas?



## Information for OCSD Parents/Guardians

OCSD is excited to launch the Canvas platform in 2021-2022! Canvas is a learning management system that can provide many interactive features to support the in-person classroom. Canvas will now serve as consistent place for K-12 teachers to post make up work or other resources to assist students during absences. [Some teachers may post assignments, and others may provide information or links to Google Classroom.]

- Canvas will serve as a consistent landing place to help students stay informed about class assignments during absences.
- With this first year of implementation, OCSD teachers and students will have the opportunity to learn more about the Canvas platform and explore ways to enhance learning.

## How will my student access Canvas?

Students should log in to ClassLink and select the Canvas icon to open the platform.

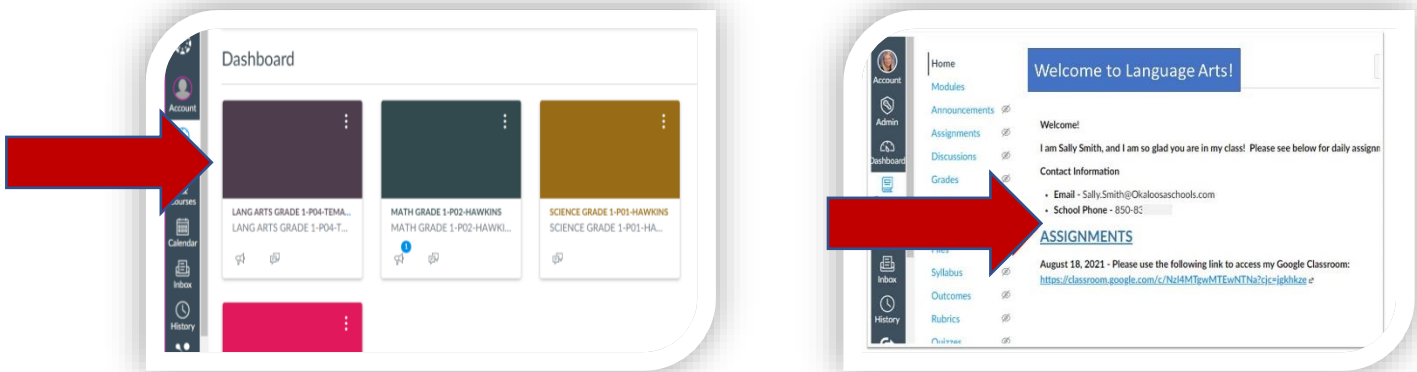
**Step 1** - Go to OCSD website at <https://www.okaloosaschools.com> and select ClassLink from the Parent/Students menu:



**Step 2** – Select the Canvas icon from your child’s ClassLink menu.



**Step 3** - Your child's courses will be displayed on the Canvas dashboard by subject area. Simply select a course and the teacher's home page will be displayed with directions for finding make up work assignments.



*Will I be able to see my child's grades in Canvas?*

No, student grades will only be available in the Parent Portal as always. If a teacher chooses to grade one or more Canvas activities, he or she will have discretion about posting to the official Parent Portal Gradebook.

*What if my child has trouble logging in to Canvas?*

Parents may email [Canvas@Okaloosaschools.com](mailto:Canvas@Okaloosaschools.com) for Canvas log in issues.