

How to become a Parent Observer in Canvas

The following instructions are specific only to the parents/guardians of students attending school in the Sevier County Utah School District. As a parent/guardian, you may become a member of your student(s) Canvas class(es) as an observer. As an observer, you are able to see grades, assignments, due dates, calendar items, notes, comments, and you may also provide feedback. This is a powerful feature in Canvas, and it will help you keep your student(s) on track.

Please follow the instructions exactly. You must use an actual computer for the initial login. Using a phone or tablet may or may not work. After the initial setup, you may use a phone or tablet device to access Canvas. Your student may access Canvas by using the website **seviersd.instructure.com**, or by using the free apps available for iOS and Android. Supported browsers include Firefox, Safari, or Chrome. Do not use Internet Explorer.

1. Launch your browser of choice on a computer.
2. Type in the following in the URL box: **seviersd.instructure.com**.
3. The window shown below should appear. If it does not, then you need to clear the history, cache, and cookies on your computer. Consult your specific browser instructions.
4. Click on the gray area shown above (see red arrow above). It should say "Parent of a Canvas User? Click Here For an Account".



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Email

Password

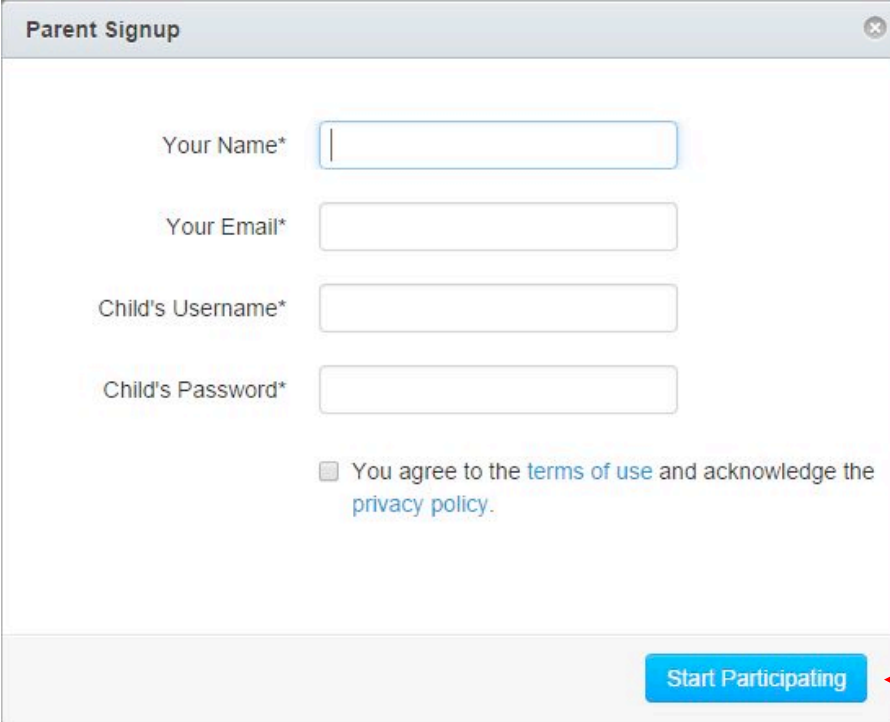
☐ Stay signed in

Forgot Password?

Log In

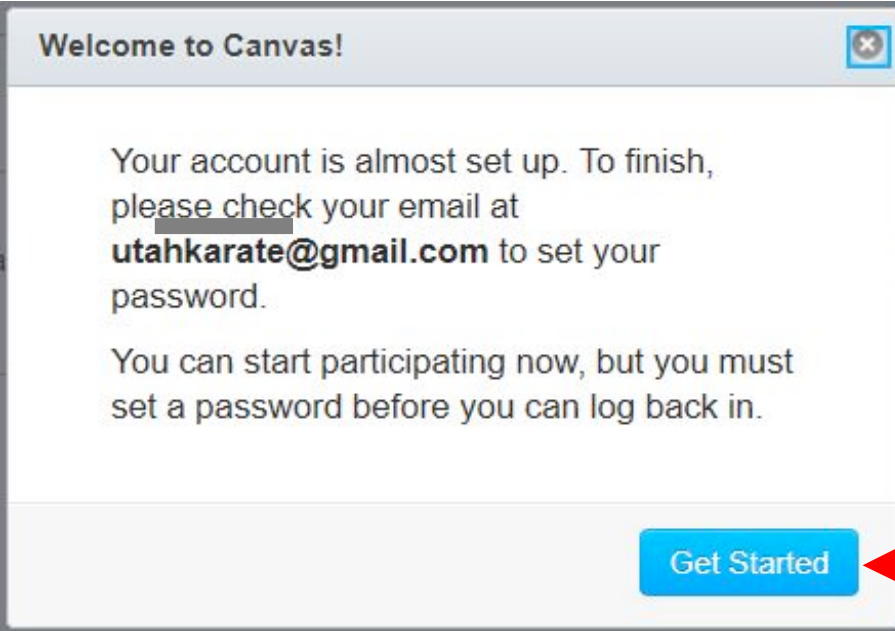
5. The window shown below should appear:
 - a. Enter Your Name.
 - b. Enter Your Email Address.
 - c. Enter your child's username (firstname.lastname@s.seviersd.org).

- d. Enter your Child's Password (fill##### where f is the first letter of their first name, l is the first three letters of the last name, and ##### is their student number). Ask your student if they have changed their original password.
- e. Click on the "You agree to the terms of use and acknowledge the privacy policy".
- f. Click "Start Participating". You will automatically become an observer for every class in which your student is enrolled.



The image shows a web browser window titled "Parent Signup". It contains four text input fields: "Your Name*", "Your Email*", "Child's Username*", and "Child's Password*". Below the fields is a checkbox with the text "You agree to the [terms of use](#) and acknowledge the [privacy policy](#).". At the bottom right of the window is a blue button labeled "Start Participating". A red arrow points to this button.


6. You will then see the window shown below:




The image shows a web browser window titled "Welcome to Canvas!". The text inside reads: "Your account is almost set up. To finish, please check your email at **utahkarate@gmail.com** to set your password." Below this, it says: "You can start participating now, but you must set a password before you can log back in." At the bottom right of the window is a blue button labeled "Get Started". A red arrow points to this button.

7. Check your email to complete the registration process. If you don't do this, then you will only have minimal access to the features of Canvas, and you will not be able to login again.

8. Once logged in, you will see the information shown below. Click on the button that says “Configure Communication Preferences”.

 **Configure Communication Preferences**
Now that you're registered with Canvas, you might want to configure what notifications you'll receive as your courses progress. Canvas is flexible enough to let you choose how and for what events you'd like to be notified. When things happen in your courses you can choose to be emailed or texted to your cell immediately, daily or weekly.


[Configure Communication Preferences](#) 

9. In this window you can change how often you get notifications. Scroll down to change any of the notification features. You can choose to be notified immediately, daily, weekly, or not at all.

Notification Preferences

Course Activities	Email Address sbrady@bradyfamily.us
Due Date	 Weekly 
Grading Policies	 Weekly
Course Content	
Files	
Announcement	✓ ASAP
Announcement Created By You	🕒 Daily
Grading <input type="checkbox"/> Include scores when alerting about grade changes.	✓ ASAP
Invitation	✓ ASAP
Submission Comment	🕒 Daily

10. Click on “Settings” either on the left side of the screen or at the top right near your name.



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Ways to Contact


Email Addresses

★ sbrady@bradyfamily.us

[+ Add Email Address](#)

Other Contacts

Type

[+ Add Contact Method](#) 

[✎ Edit Settings](#)

11. On the right side of the screen you will see “Ways to Contact”. Here you can add multiple emails, or even your cell phone number so that you can receive notifications (Add Contact Method”). You can always click on “Settings” to return to the Notifications window.

That's it! You can now keep track of your student(s) performance in school.