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Dear Parents,

We are excited to be one of the first schools in our county to implement Blackboard! Blackboard is a website platform that allows you and your child to login and access classroom announcements, homework assignments and other resources **in one place** for all of your children's classes. Each of our homeroom teachers, and some special area teachers, have a Blackboard page. At this time, all teachers are posting: classroom introduction information, announcements and when appropriate, homework assignments. Over the next year, we will be learning about all of the capabilities that Blackboard has to offer. Please be patient with us, we are breaking new ground and learning as we go.



All schools in the county will be implementing this platform at their own pace. It is the goal of the Fayette County school system that by the end of the 2016-2017 school year, all schools will use Blackboard to facilitate student and parent communication and instruction. *Please note that this program will not take the place of Infinite Campus. You will continue to check attendance, grades and other information from the parent portal of Infinite Campus.*

The purpose of Blackboard is to put technology resources in one place for all students, parents and teachers to access.

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How to Access Blackboard - Parents

In order to access Blackboard you MUST first have an Infinite Campus (IC) login.	
No Infinite Campus Login	Ready with an Infinite Campus login
Click Here if you need to create an account on Infinite Campus or change your password.	Visit https://fcboe.blackboard.com to activate your Blackboard account. Follow the instructions below.

Activating your Blackboard Account

When you activate your account as a parent, you will have access to all classes that have been set up for each of your children in Fayette County schools with just one account. However, not all schools have activated Blackboard so you will probably only find pages for your children at Peachtree City Elementary school at this time.



USERNAME:

PASSWORD:

[Forgot Your Password?](#)



Step 1: Click the “Forgot Your Password” link.

Lost Password

Choose an option to retrieve your password. Enter your information for one option only: Username Option or Email Address Option.

USERNAME OPTION

Enter your **First Name, Last Name, and Username** to change the password. An active email address must be associated with the account to change the password. An email will be sent with instructions to change the password. The current password will remain active until it is changed by following the instructions.

First Name

Last Name

Username

EMAIL ADDRESS OPTION

Enter your **First Name, Last Name, and Email Address** to change the password. An active email address must be associated with the account to change the password. An email will be sent with instructions to change the password. The current password will remain active until it is changed by following the instructions.

First Name

Last Name

Email

Click **Submit** to proceed. Click **Cancel** to go back.

Use only 1 of these sections

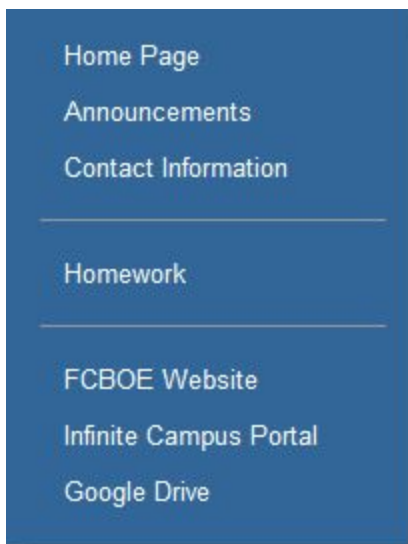
Step 2: Fill out ONE section of this page with your Infinite Campus information, then click Submit.

Step 3: You should receive an email with a link to setup a password. You can use the same password that you currently use for Infinite Campus or create a new one. **Be CERTAIN you are using the email address that is connected to your IC account.**

If you experience a problem, it is probably due to the fact that your [Infinite Campus account](#) is not set up properly. Start there, then after you can successfully log into Infinite Campus, try this process again. However, you may have to wait overnight for Infinite Campus to communicate with Blackboard before it will allow you to activate your Blackboard account. If you experience problems logging in, please let us know, but it may take time to resolve each issue.

When you are logged into Blackboard, you should see a list of classes that your child participates in at our school on the right side of the screen. There will be a Homeroom class as well as a class for some of the exploratory teachers. As we grow, you will see other classes available.

Choose the class you wish to view from the right side of the page.



Now you will be on the Blackboard site for that class.

On the left side you will find a list of pages on this class site. Usually, you will have pages for contact information, announcements and when appropriate, homework assignments or classroom resources. **Please note that some resources are meant for students to log in and use. Student login information can be found on the student login card that was sent home recently.**

We hope you enjoy using this site to stay up-to-date with what is going on in our school and in your child's classrooms. Also, keep in mind that we are all learning how to use this platform. If you experience problems logging in, please let us know but it may take time to resolve each issue.