

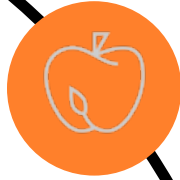
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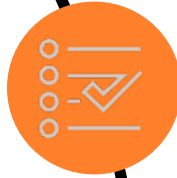
# Helping Your Child Navigate Brightspace

# What is Brightspace?

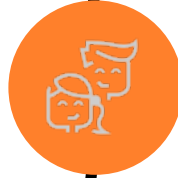
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A digital space for learners to find all their classes, lessons and assessments



Learners can submit assessments in a variety of ways, including text, audio or video formats



Learners can connect with their teacher or other classmates through the Activity Feed or Discussions



Learners can create a digital Portfolio that follows them year after year



Parents and guardians can stay connected using Brightspace Parent & Guardian

# Accessing Brightspace

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What do I see when I login?

What is on the Course Homepage?

# The Brightspace Landing Page

When your child has logged into their district's Brightspace, they will come to the **Landing Page**.

While your district's page may look a bit different, there are some common elements to know:

1. Where to find your child's profile and setup notifications
2. Where to see new notifications
3. Where to access your child's courses

Click on the course you would like to access to move the **Course Homepage**.

The screenshot shows the Brightspace landing page interface. At the top left is the D2L BRIGHTSPACE logo. To the right of the logo are navigation links: My Home, Announcements, Quick Eval, Calendar, Portfolio, Discussions, Discover, Awards, and a list icon. Further right are icons for a grid, mail, a speech bubble, a notification bell, and a user profile for Emily Valens with a settings gear. Three orange callout boxes with numbers 1, 2, and 3 are placed over the user profile, the notification bell, and the '5th Grade' course card, respectively.

**My Courses** ▾  
All Pinned

5th Grade  
School Code of Conduct  
Social and Emotional Learning  
[View All Courses \(3\)](#)

**Calendar** ▾  
Wednesday, August 10, 2022

August 2022


Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

**Upcoming events** ▾

SEP	3:30 PM
8	PLC Meeting

**Announcements** ▾

**Welcome Back!** ×  
Principal Dixon posted on Aug 8, 2022 7:55 AM  
Hi Brightspace Elementary,  
I hope you all had an enjoyable summer break. I'm looking forward to the new school year and can't wait to see everyone back in the hallways. There is something special about new beginnings. Please take a moment to welcome any new students or teachers you see around the school.  
- Principal Dixon

**Enjoy Your Summer** ×  
Principal Dixon posted on Jun 22, 2022 10:34 AM  
  
Teachers and Students:  
Thank you to our entire community for a fantastic school year. We embraced achievements and faced triumphs all with spirit and perseverance. I am proud to be part of Brightspace Elementary. I wish you an enjoyable summer break. See you in the fall!  
- Principal Dixon

# What's on the Course Homepage?

Just like the Landing Page, each **Course Homepage** may look a bit different depending on how your child's teacher set up their classroom.

Some common elements to know:

1. Return to district Landing Page
2. Return to Course Homepage
3. Course Navbar to access Brightspace tools and links
4. Course Waffle to switch between classes

The screenshot shows the Brightspace Course Homepage for Ms. Valens' Classroom. The top navigation bar includes the D2L Brightspace logo (1), the classroom name 'Ms. Valens' Classroom' (2), a 'Course Waffle' icon (4), and the user profile 'Grace Thomas'. Below the navigation bar is a 'Course Navbar' with icons for Course Home, Content, Discussions, Checklist, Classlist, Assignments, and Course Tools (3). A 'Welcome Grace!' banner is displayed. The main content area includes 'Announcements' with a 'Field Trip Reminder' and a 'Learning at Home' post, and a 'Teacher Profile' for Ms. Valens.

# What's Next?

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Commonly Used Tools in Brightspace

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## Announcements



Announcements

## Assignments



Assignments

## Portfolio



Portfolio

## Content



Content

## Activity Feed

Multimedia-capable tool to allow teacher to create rich announcements for students on the course homepage.

Submission folders are found here.  
Students can track their assignments and see what has/has not been submitted, including due dates.

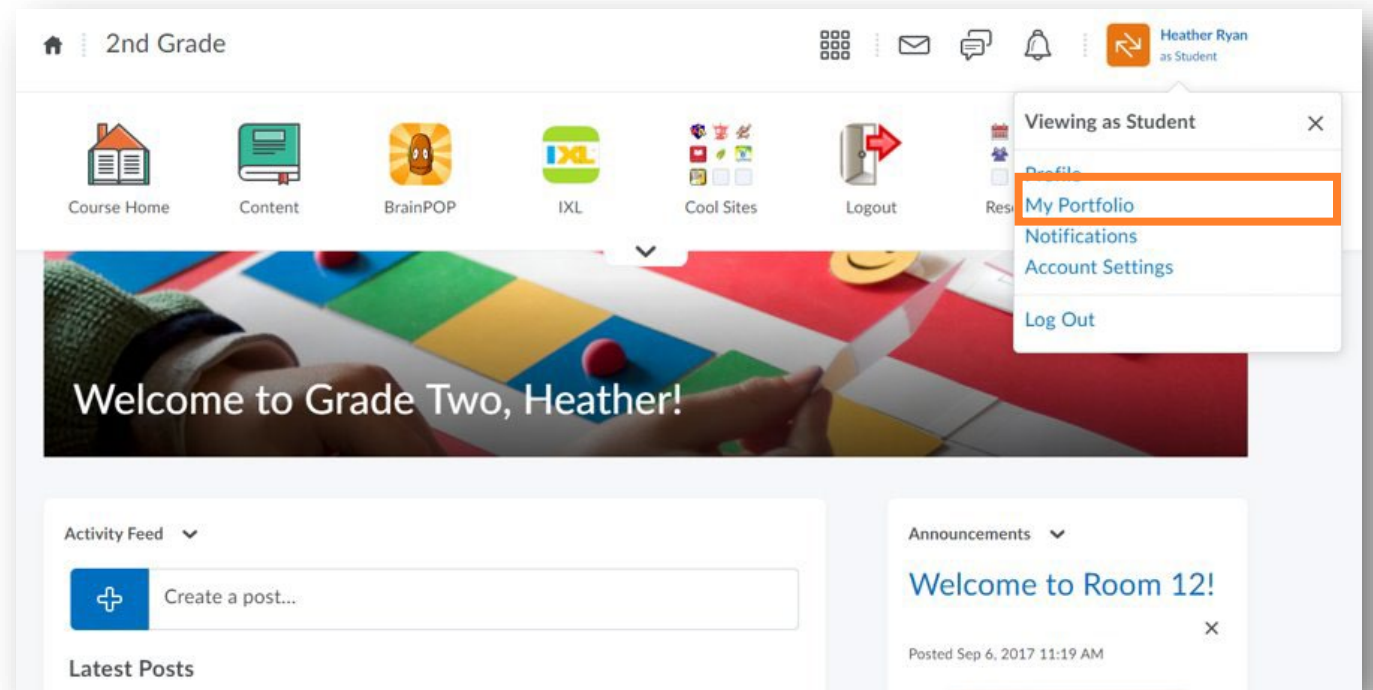
Documentation tool to collect evidence of learning.  
Can access Portfolios from previous years.

Where you can find the lesson content that is being shared by the educator.

Interactive tool for educators to share activities on the course homepage.  
Social media-inspired communication tool.

# Tool Spotlight: Portfolio

- Portfolio makes it easy for your child to capture their learning and share with their teacher
- Teachers can provide feedback to students and their families to support the learning
- Portfolio can capture videos, photos, and documents
- View your child's Portfolio by clicking on their name in the **top right corner** of any Brightspace page





# Additional Resources to Support your Child

