

## Getting Started for Families: Engaging with Your Student's Work

### Take SpacesEDU on the go!

Download the [SpacesEDU app](#) on iOS or Android.

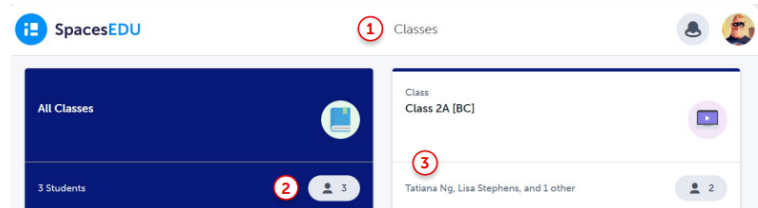
Using Chromebooks, laptops, or desktop computers?

[Sign Up](#) to get started!




**Classes Homepage:** After logging in, you'll see your Classes Homepage with:


- 1) Your Classes
- 2) Students you're connected to
- 3) Teacher(s) in each Class

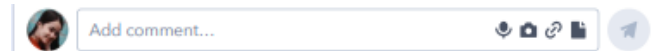


**Posts Visibility:** If post visibility is on, you can see posts by your student and their teacher in your [Feed](#).

### Commenting and Reacting to Posts:

Click  at the bottom left of a post to add a reaction. If commenting is allowed, you'll see a comment box under posts. Add text and/or attach media by clicking the icons!


 **Note:** Your comments are only visible to your student and their teacher – not other families or students.



### How to View and Respond to Messages

Go to the [Messages](#) tab to open your inbox. There are two types of messages:

**Channels** are preset groups where you'll be able to read (and respond, if enabled) to messages sent to the whole channel.


 **Note:** messages sent in these channels will be visible to all members of the group.

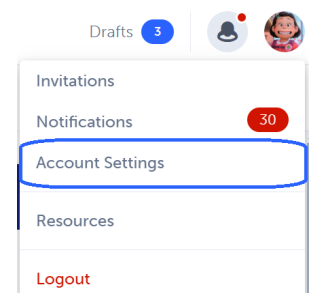
**Direct messages** are private and sent to specific people, like your student, their teacher(s), or you. If replies are allowed, only the group can respond and see the messages.



### Notifications

You'll get notifications for new posts linked to your student, comments on your student's post, and messages. Adjust these notifications in your account settings. If email alerts are on, you'll get an email too.

 You'll see a red dot in the top-right corner for new notifications. Learn more about notifications [here](#).



### Additional Resources:

[Family Privacy Kit](#) | [Family Feedback Prompts](#) | [Parents and Family Guide to Digital Portfolios](#)