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101 FOR PARENTS

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TODAY'S DISCUSSION

KEY POINTS

What is Canvas

Parent Observer Account

Observer Role

Parent App

Resources

Contact

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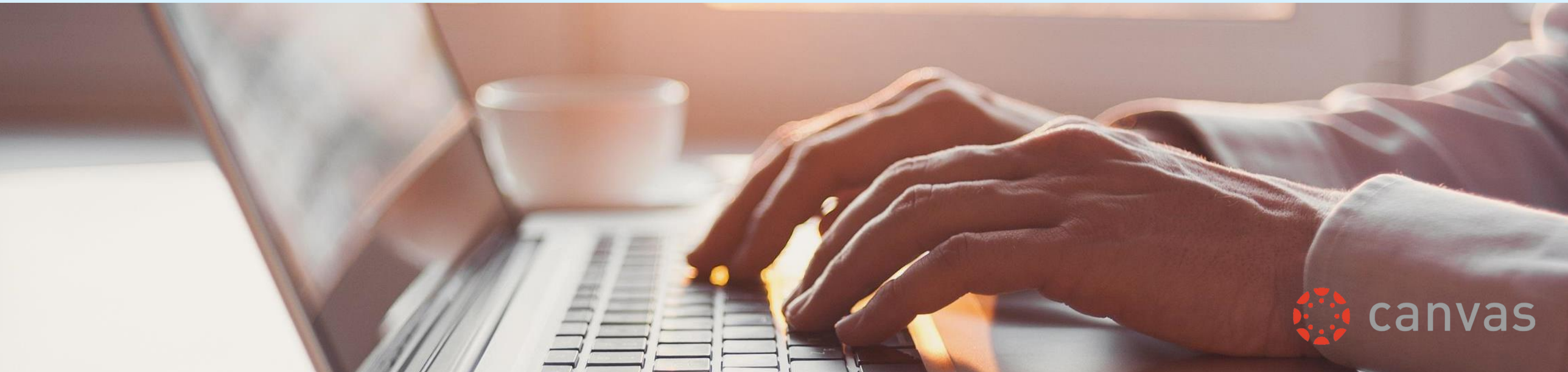
WHAT IS CANVAS?

LEARNING MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

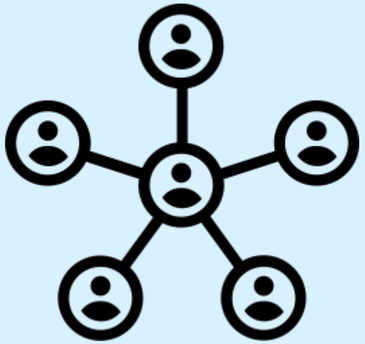
A way to simplify teaching and learning by connecting all digital tools teachers, students and parents use into one place.



HOW CANVAS CAN BE USED

Personalized Learning

Provide students with written, audio, or video feedback



Organize work and course-related activities

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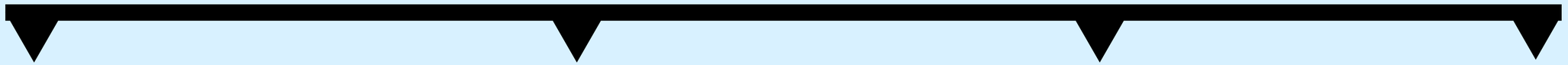
HOW CAN STUDENT USE CANVAS?



Access class materials

Collaboration with peers and teacher

Receive announcements, grade notifications, and more

Track progress

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PARENT OBSERVER ACCOUNT

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OBSERVER ACCOUNT

With the Canvas observer role parents have the ability to view their students' course content (assignment due dates, assignments, course modules, etc.). When a parents have access to a Canvas "Observer" account they have the ability linked to their student(s) account and follow their student in Canvas

HOW DO I BECOME AN OBSERVER?

Your child's classroom teacher will assign you an Observer Role though a **PAIRING CODE**.

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TO GET STARTED YOU MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING

1. **HAVE ACCESS TO YOUR PAIRING CODE**

   Your child's homeroom teacher will provide a pairing code.

2. **YOUR CHILD MUST BE ENROLLED IN A COURSE**

   This may not occur until close to the start of the first day of school

3. **THE SCHOOL URL**

   https://pcsb.instructure.com/login

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Parent of a Canvas User?
Click Here For an Account

Click the 'Parent of a Canvas User?' link in the top right corner of the page

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Password

Stay signed in

Log In

Forgot Password?

Students will login through Clever. However parents will use this URL

https://pcsb.instructure.com/login/ldap?pseudonym_session%5Bunique_id%5D=

COMPLETE THE PARENT SIGNUP

Fully complete the form to register.

DO NOT forget your student pairing code.

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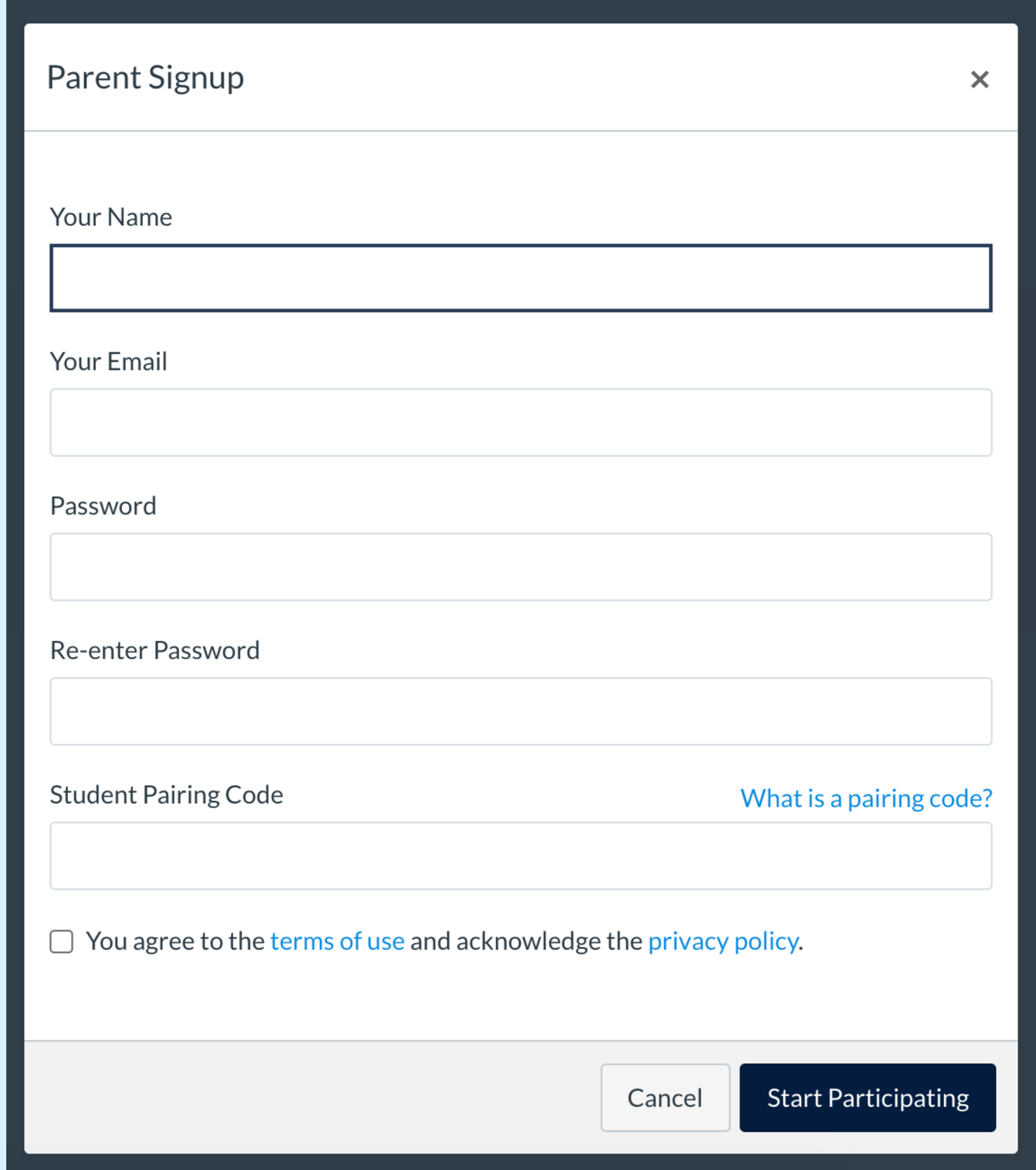

OBSERVER ROLE

OBSERVERS CAN

- VIEW & READ ANNOUNCEMENT
- VIEW THE CALENDAR
- VIEW THE DASHBOARD
- VIEW GRADES, ASSIGNMENT DUE DATES & COMMENTS
- VIEW OPEN FILES
- VIEW MODULES & SEE DUE DATES

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OBSERVERS CANNOT

- COMMENT ON ANNOUCEMENTS OR DISCUSSIONS
- SUBMIT ASSIGNMENTS OR QUIZZES
- VIEW COURSE ROSTERS
- VIEW LOCKED FOLDERS OR FILES
- JOIN GROUPS
- VIEW UNPUBLISHED COURSES

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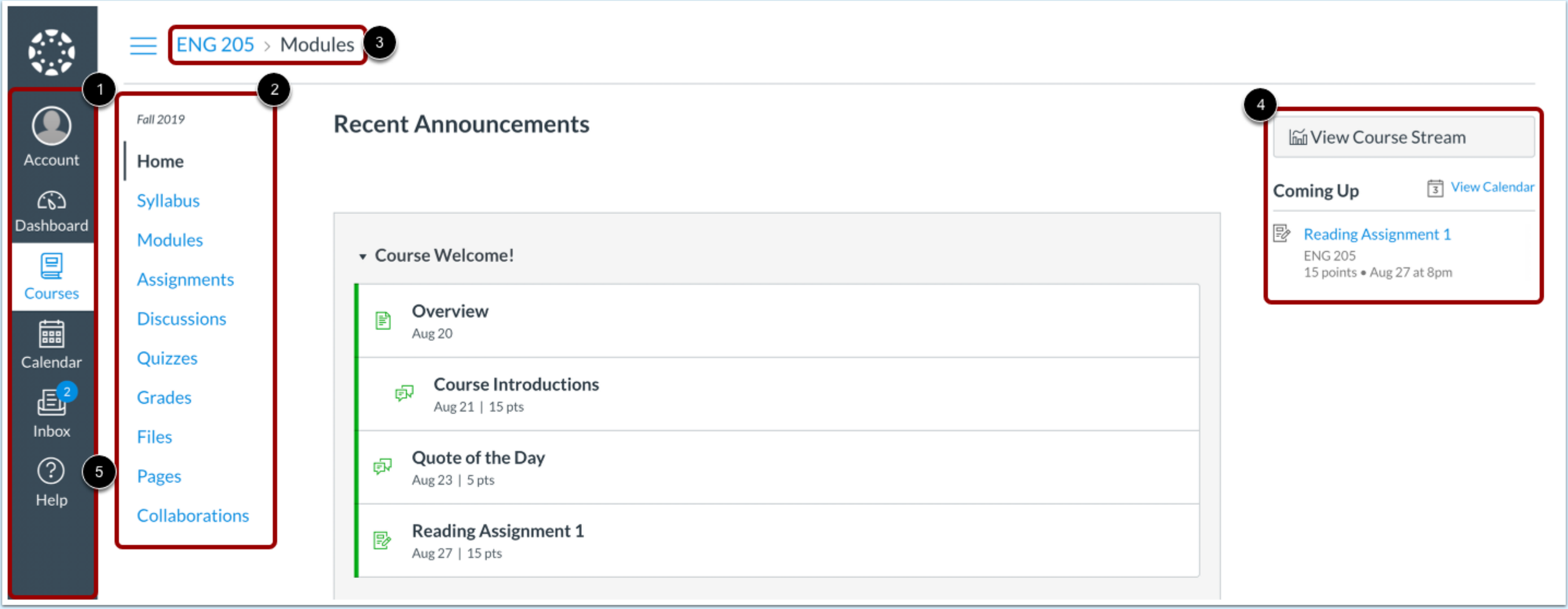
LIMITATIONS

- Observers can view only the content that the student they are connected to.
- Observers can view assignments even if the student they are observing has not completed them.



1 The Global Navigation Pane helps identify where you want to go in the Canvas Platform

2 The Course Navigation Pane helps you get where you want to go within the course

3 The Breadcrumb Navigation shows you where you are within the course.

4 The Sidebar will often be empty for observers.

5 Help link gives assistance outside the instructor.

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PARENT APP

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The Canvas App is limited to the view of student success: Calendar, Grades, and Alerts.

It is best to access Canvas on a desktop.

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WHAT TO EXPECT ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

https://www.pcsb.org/mypcsonline

https://www.pcsb.org/Domain/168

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COMMUNICATION

First Point of Contact:

Classroom Teacher

Second Point of Contact:

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ANY QUESTIONS?

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