

## A Parent's Guide to Schoology

**Welcome to Schoology! Below you will find an explanation of the different areas of your Schoology account. This guide is intended to help you learn how to navigate around Schoology. For more in-depth guidance on specific Schoology features, check out our Help Center at [support.schoology.com](http://support.schoology.com). You can find our online Parents Guide on the KCS D Connect Dashboard at <http://connect.kcsd.org>.**

### What Is Schoology?

**Teachers use Schoology to post their classroom materials online; provide a safe forum for students to discuss their ideas and collaborate on projects; and to assign and collect homework electronically. It helps students stay organized and it keeps the class connected.**

**A Schoology Parent Account gives you access to:**

- **The classes your child is enrolled in.**
- **Your child's upcoming assignments.**
- **School and class announcements.**

**Schoology makes it easy for parents to stay involved in their children's education.**

### Accessing your KCS D Parent Schoology account

**The Schoology logo located along the top menu of the District website links to the Parent Login page.**

**Direct URL: <https://schoology.kcsd.org/login?&school=1109769776>**

**There is a "Forgot your password" option on the Schoology Parent Login page if this is your first time accessing Schoology**

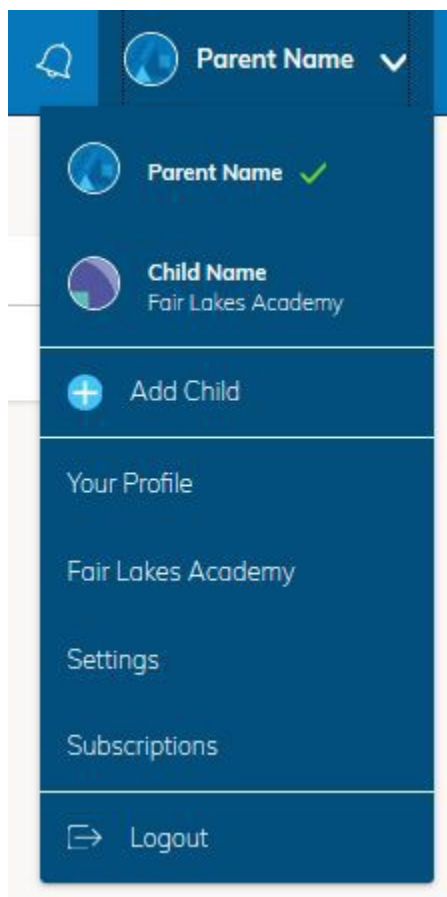
## Setting Up Your Account

**Having a Parent account in Schoology is actually like having two accounts:**

- 1. Your personal account, with your own name and information;**
- 2. Your Child Activity view. From here, you can view Schoology from your child's perspective, and see what he or she sees, and receive updates about his or her activity.**

**The first time you log into Schoology, you may want to set up some of your account settings to make sure you get the most out of Schoology.**

**Start by clicking on the arrow in the upper-right corner, next to your name, and then select your child's name to switch into his or her account. The check mark in this drop-down menu indicates which account you are currently in.**



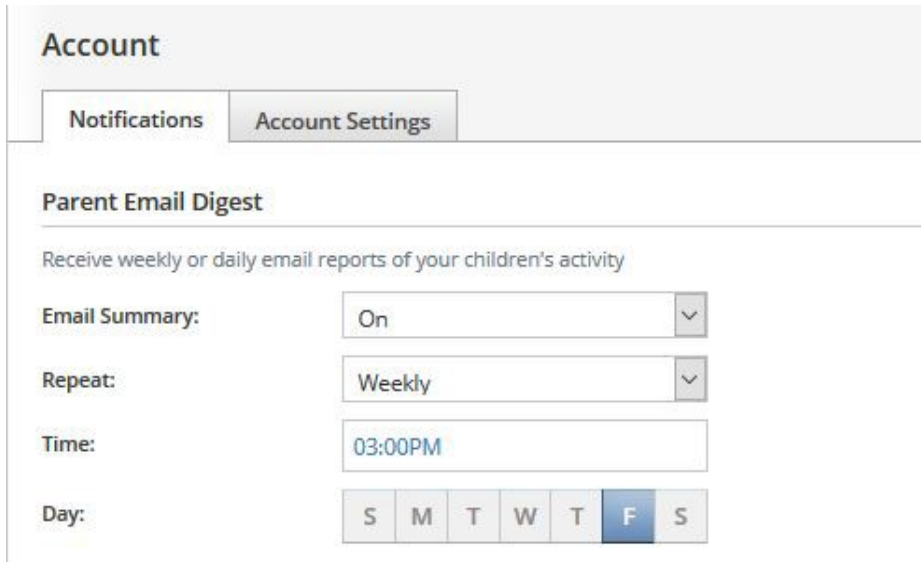
## Notifications

**To set up your notifications: Click Settings from the drop-down menu in the upper right hand corner. From the account settings area, click into the Notifications tab.**

**Follow these steps in your own account to configure your own settings. Follow these steps in your child view to control how Schoolology contacts you about your child's school activities.**

### Setting Up Your Parent Email Digest

**The Schoolology Parent Email Digest is a brief summary of your child's activities delivered right to your inbox. Here, you can opt to receive it on a daily or weekly basis.**

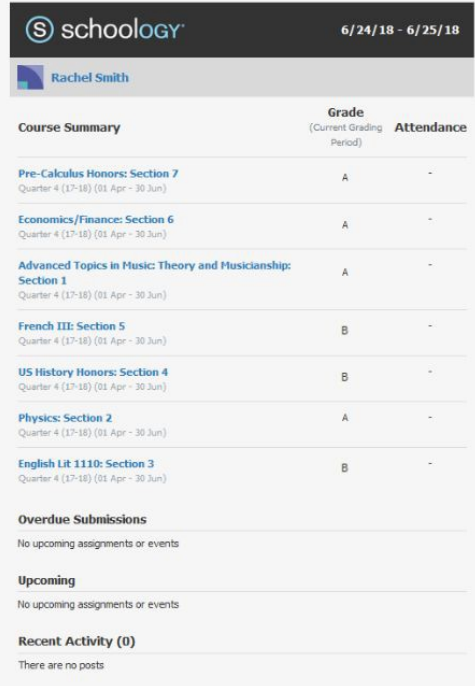


The screenshot shows the 'Account' settings page with the 'Notifications' tab selected. Under the 'Parent Email Digest' section, there are four settings: 'Email Summary' is set to 'On', 'Repeat' is set to 'Weekly', 'Time' is set to '03:00PM', and 'Day' is set to 'F' (Friday).

| Account   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| Notifications   | Account Settings     |
| <b>Parent Email Digest</b>  |                      |
| Receive weekly or daily email reports of your children's activity |                      |
| Email Summary:  | On                   |
| Repeat:   | Weekly               |
| Time:   | 03:00PM              |
| Day:  | S M T W T <b>F</b> S |

**A Parent Email Digest contains information such as courses your child is enrolled in as well as overdue and upcoming assignments. Please be aware that although some teachers may sync grades from Schoolology to Skyward, you should always refer to Skyward for your child's grades and attendance reports.**

**Depending on the settings configured by your child's teachers and school administrators, an example of a Parent Email Digest might look like this:**



| Course Summary   | Grade<br>(Current Grading<br>Period) | Attendance |
|--|--------------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Pre-Calculus Honors: Section 7</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun)                                   | A                                    | -          |
| <b>Economics/Finance: Section 6</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun)                                     | A                                    | -          |
| <b>Advanced Topics in Music: Theory and Musicianship:<br/>Section 1</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun) | A                                    | -          |
| <b>French III: Section 5</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun)  | B                                    | -          |
| <b>US History Honors: Section 4</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun)                                     | B                                    | -          |
| <b>Physics: Section 2</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun)   | A                                    | -          |
| <b>English Lit 1110: Section 3</b><br>Quarter 4 (17-18) (01 Apr - 30 Jun)                                      | B                                    | -          |
| <b>Overdue Submissions</b><br>No upcoming assignments or events  |                                      |            |
| <b>Upcoming</b><br>No upcoming assignments or events   |                                      |            |
| <b>Recent Activity (0)</b><br>There are no posts   |                                      |            |

## Overdue Submissions Email

**In addition to the Parent Email Digest email, you can opt to receive additional email notifications when your child has an overdue assignment:**

### Overdue Submissions Email

Receive an email when an item's due date has passed without a submission from your child.

Email Notification:

[Save Changes](#)

**Once you have configured your Parent Email Digest and Overdue Submissions Email settings, click Save Changes**

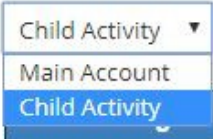
## Account Settings

The Account Settings page is where you can do things like change your password or update your email address. You can also determine your landing page when you login to Schoology.

To go to the Account Settings page, click the arrow in the upper-right corner and select Settings from the menu. Scroll down to Set Your Default Account.

### Set Your Default Account

Account:



A dropdown menu with three options: 'Child Activity', 'Main Account', and 'Child Activity'. The second 'Child Activity' option is highlighted in blue.

This determines the first page you see when you log in to your Schoology account. You can toggle into your child's account at any time, to stay updated on his or her schoolwork and activity.

**From the Default Account menu:**

- **Select Main Account if you would like to see your own personal account when you log in.**
- **Select Child's Activity if you want to automatically start in your child's account when you log in.**

## Navigating Schoolology

### Your Account

After logging in, you can see the top navigation bar from anywhere in Schoolology. From this navigation bar, you can navigate to the three main areas of Schoolology: Courses, Groups, and Resources. You can return home at any time by clicking Schoolology in the left corner.

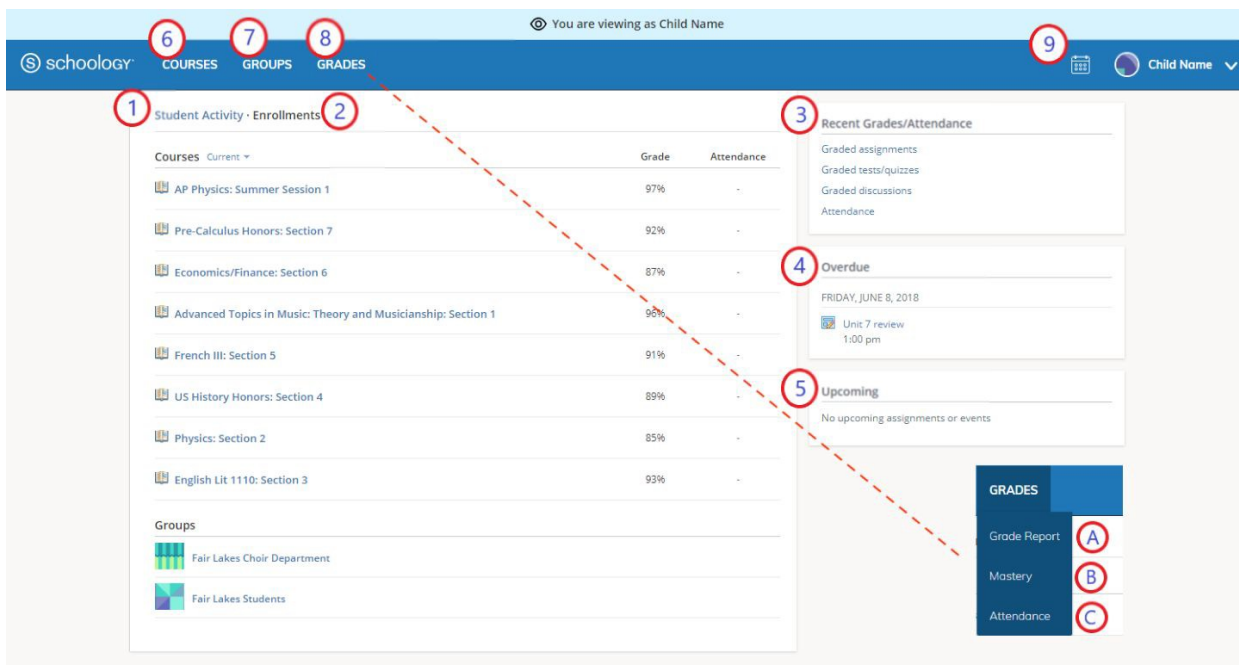


### Messages & Notifications

When you are in your own Schoolology account (not your child's), icons for your own calendar, messages, connections and notifications display in the top navigation bar, on the right. Any time someone sends you a message, or does something that pertains to you or your child's school, it's easily accessible in the top-right corner of your screen. Everything is chronologically ordered and clickable to make managing them simple. You can also click the arrow to the right of your name to view your own user profile.

### Viewing Your Child's Activity

Click on the arrow in the upper-right corner of your account and select your child's name to view his or her activity.



| COURSES  | Grade | Attendance |
|--|-------|------------|
| AP Physics: Summer Session 1                                 | 97%   | -          |
| Pre-Calculus Honors: Section 7                               | 92%   | -          |
| Economics/Finance: Section 6                                 | 87%   | -          |
| Advanced Topics in Music: Theory and Musicianship: Section 1 | 95%   | -          |
| French III: Section 5  | 91%   | -          |
| US History Honors: Section 4                                 | 89%   | -          |
| Physics: Section 2   | 85%   | -          |
| English Lit 1110: Section 3                                  | 93%   | -          |

From the home page, you can quickly view specific information about your child's Schoology activity:

1. **The Student Activity area in the center of the page displays your child's recent submission and grade. Attendance data is not maintained in Schoology.**
  - a. **Please be aware that although some teachers may sync grades from Schoology to Skyward, you should always refer to Skyward for your child's grades and attendance reports.**
2. **Toggle into Enrollments in the same area to see a list of the courses your child is currently enrolled in, along with his or her grade. If the teacher or administrator has chosen not to display the grade while the course is in progress, you will see a blank value (as in the grade column above). Click on an individual course to see grades received on assignments, tests, and discussions from that course.**
3. **The Recent Grades/Attendance area lists graded assignments, tests/quizzes, discussions, and attendance marks for the student. To view the graded items and attendance marks, click the item you'd like to view.**
4. **The Overdue section displays a list of course materials your child did not turn in by the due date.**
5. **The Upcoming section displays a list of your child's upcoming assignments and events.**
6. **Courses: You can see a list of your child's current courses. Click the course name to navigate to the course profile as your child views it.**
7. **Groups: You can see a list of your child's Schoology Groups. Groups can be used for a variety of activities, from school projects to extracurricular teams and clubs.**
8. **Grades: Depending on the settings in place at your child's school, this menu provides access to view the following:**
  - a. **Grade Report: Review your child's grades for all courses.**
  - b. **Mastery: If your child's school aligns materials to standard and learning objectives, you can check your child's progress in this area.**
  - c. **Attendance: Review your child's attendance for all courses.**
  - d. **Remember: Although some teachers may sync grades from Schoology to Skyward, you should always refer to Skyward for your child's grades and attendance reports.**
9. **Calendar: Click to view a calendar of past and upcoming events and assignments. To find out more information regarding a particular event, place your cursor over the title. A clue tip displays with the event type (assignment, test/quiz, event), the event's course or group, and the student name. Click the event to display profile information in a pop-up window.**

**Note: There is no Messages icon in the Child Activity view. Messages to your child are private and are not viewable from a parent account.**