

Your child's teacher will be using Blackboard™ to share news about your child's classroom, and provide web resources that re-enforce and extend what is being learned. In the upper grades it will also be used to post homework. Here's some tips to get you started using Blackboard.

Getting There



Look for this logo on the school's webpage or on Fairfax County Public schools web page.

Blackboard is the company that hosts our 24/7 Learning Website.

The web address is: :

<http://fcps.blackboard.com>

Note: there is no WWW in this address

There is also a link for the Greenbriar West Homepage

Logging In



Each student has a sticker with their Username and Password. Check their Agenda Book or Everyday Folder

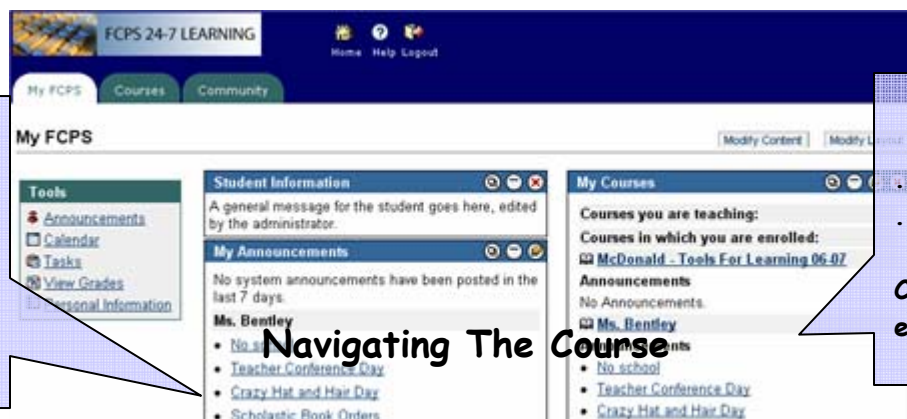
The **username** is your child's Student ID #

Your student ID, can be found in the upper right corner of your grade card. And each child was given a sticker with their Student ID and password, Look in their Agenda or Everyday folder.

With the exception of 6th grade , All GBW students use the **password:** panda07 all lowercase letters and zero seven.

Sixth grade students were allowed to create their own blackboard password. If password isn't working, your child's teacher or Mrs. McDonald can reset their password.

What You Will See



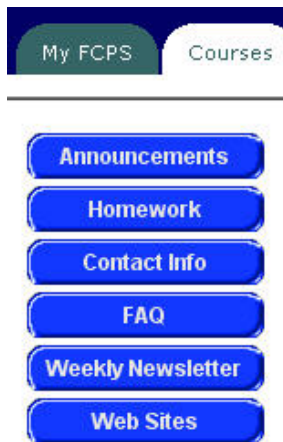
Announcements made by each teacher.

Clicking here gives only the announcement - not access to the course.

Courses You Have Access To Your Homeroom Specialist Courses

Click the Blue Link to enter

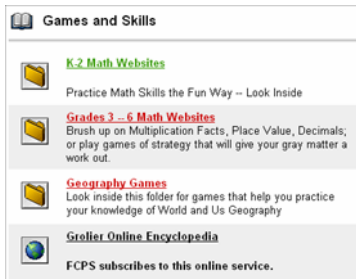
Navigating The Course



Every course looks a little different. Teachers customize the look to match the age of their students and type of information they have available.

But all FCPS 24/7 Learning pages open to a two column format.

- Buttons on the left provide access to the different type of information.
- The information appears in the right column.



Information is often organized in folders. Click the Folder Name to explore and see what is offered.

Troubleshooting

What about cookies?

For FCPS 24-7 to function properly, the browser must have cookies enabled.

FCPS 24-7 Learning uses a session cookie which expires when the user closes the Web browser. The session cookie tracks the individual user's activities within the Blackboard product. This is how teachers can track visits to particular areas, how quiz results are mapped, etc. It is only used for supporting the instructional needs associated with a particular user within Blackboard.

Pop-up Blockers

Some web resources linked from our blackboard course are set to open in a new window, this makes it easier for young children to return to Blackboard and explore other sites recommended by their teacher. You may need to allow pop-up after logging into blackboard for these pages to open properly.

My child has forgotten their password. Or, My child's login doesn't work!

First, be sure that your browser is not set to remember passwords. Each child in your household has a unique username. If you are still having problems, email our technology specialist; Cathy.McDonald@fcps.edu She will verify that the username and password are correct and if necessary, reset your child's password.