

# Welcome to FreshGrade for Parents!

## Partner in your Child's Education

FreshGrade is a better way to document, communicate, and assess learning. The suite of apps makes learning visible in real time, increasing engagement between teachers, students and parents through the use of digital portfolios and assessment tools.

With the FreshGrade for Parents app, parents have secure access to view and comment on artifacts in the student's portfolio. Ongoing and meaningful communication regarding a child's learning provides a window into the classroom, enabling parents to better support the learning plan.

## What Can I Expect?

### Access

The teacher will capture and share your child's learning through photos, videos, audio, and notes. Captured artifacts and activities will build a Portfolio that will show your child's progress throughout the school year.

### Communicate

Notifications and emails will let you know when your child's Portfolio is updated and share their learning in real-time. It's like having a window into the classroom.

### Engage

Engaged parents have a direct and positive impact on the development of a child. With FreshGrade, students can upload photos and videos, make comments and self-reflect on Portfolio activities. As a parent, you will be able to comment on your child's work, communicating with them and their teacher.

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I'm really enjoying having access to my daughter's school work on FreshGrade. I feel more engaged in her learning and can provide immediate feedback to her on her successes.

— FreshGrade for Parents User



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# Conversation Starters

It all started with one word: **nothing**—the answer that every parent hears when they ask the question, “What did you do at school today.” As parents ourselves, we know how frustrating that can be.

Here are three tips to keep in mind when you’re talking to your child about school.

*Henry Abbott* *June 14*  
What did you learn when you were working on this?

1. Ask open-ended questions instead of questions that can be answered with one word — “yes” or “no.” Try asking, “tell me why you chose this piece of work for your FreshGrade portfolio”.

*Jamie & Sam Kamala* *February 8*  
This is great!  
Tell me, why did you choose it?

2. Avoid emotional words like happy or angry and keep your questions positive to keep the conversation going, such as “what did you find the most difficult thing about this project?”

*June & Jack Li* *March 21*  
What was the funniest thing someone said about this project?

3. Ask questions about social experiences, such as “who did you work with on this project?”

# What Parents are Saying

We love getting feedback from our customers, users, and stakeholders. The following comments were collected from users of FreshGrade for Parents.

“The FreshGrade app has really helped me be aware of my son’s progress. It allows me to see where he struggles, and applaud him for hard work. I like having the interaction with the teacher on a more regular basis. I think this will help set me son up for success. Thank you for this innovative and current way of doing things.

“The fact that I can see a video of my son giving a speech in the classroom only a few hours after he delivered it is amazing — and particularly helpful to a parent like myself who travels a lot for work. I will be in Spain next week, but I will still be able to see exactly what my son is doing in school.



Whether it be our son’s speech in front of the class or the results of all his tests, it offers us the opportunity to be much more present in his everyday schooling without missing anything. It benefits the student in knowing that everyone is paying attention, and the comments space is a nice way to provide your child with feedback and dialogue.



## Getting Started

Access FreshGrade through our online experience, or by downloading the app. Ask your teacher for your unique code.

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