



# CONCORD ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Concord Road Parent and Guardian,

The purpose of this document is to inform families of the current digital resources and tools that all students (K-4) have access to at Concord Road Elementary School.

Concord Road students are provided with a variety of educationally appropriate digital opportunities to enhance student learning. In order to manage this technology the district has implemented a single sign-on program for all students via Panthers Link (powered by ClassLink). Students will be able to access the online subscriptions with one click using any device.

## **To log on to Panthers Link:**

- From the CRS homepage: click “[STUDENTS](#)” → [Panthers Link](#) or from a web browser: <http://pantherslink.ardsleyschools.org/>
- Add the username and password - they are the same as the network login credentials that are used to access the computers at school:  
*Student username: `firstname.lastname`*  
*Student password: `*****`*
- If you are using an iPad you will need to download the ClassLink app from the iTunes Store. To use the Quickcard app please reference the following doc: [Ardsley UFSD ClassLink QuickCard Information](#)

**\*PLEASE NOTE:** We recognize that technology continues to change and on occasion teachers will use educational and professional discretion to introduce new resources to their students. Students have access to applications and devices such as iPads, Chromebooks, Macbooks, PCs, SMARTboards, Osmos, Ozobots, and Google Cardboard.

## Currently CRS students have access to the following resources:

Title	Description
Apps	A variety of appropriate educational apps are used on the iPads and Chromebooks to enhance instruction.
<a href="#">BrainPop</a> , BrainPop Jr., BrainPop ESL	BrainPop is a group of educational websites with over 1,000 short animated movies for students in grades K-12, together with quizzes and related materials, covering the subjects of science, social studies, English, mathematics, engineering and technology, health, and arts and music.
<a href="#">Buncee</a>	Buncee is an award-winning creation and communication tool for students, teachers and administrators. Our all-in-one technology empowers all users to easily create, and share visual representations of content, across grade, age and learning levels. Buncee is a one-stop-shop to build media-rich lessons, reports, newsletters, presentations and so much more!
<a href="#">Dreambox Math</a>	DreamBox Learning Math is an adaptive, online K-8 math program designed to complement classroom instruction.
<a href="#">Discovery Education</a>	Discovery Education is the global leader in standards-based digital content for K-12, transforming teaching and learning with award-winning digital textbooks, multimedia content, professional development, and the largest professional learning community of its kind.
<a href="#">Epic books</a>	<i>(In school only)</i> We are using Epic in class to nurture students' love of reading & learning. Individual teachers will share the class code so you can connect with our class for free at <a href="http://www.getepic.com/connect">www.getepic.com/connect</a> .
Gmail	We have added extra security to Gmail with the Ardsley domain. We have setup a walled garden which means that students are limited to send and receive emails only from users @ardsleyschools.org. (Please note all students are assigned an email address but they don't begin using them until 2nd grade).

<a href="#">Google Calendar</a>	Integrated online calendar that works seamlessly with Gmail, Drive, Classroom and Sites.
<a href="#">Google Classroom</a>	Google Classroom makes teaching more productive and meaningful by streamlining assignments, boosting collaboration, and fostering communication. Educators can create classes, distribute assignments, send feedback, and see everything in one place. Classroom also seamlessly integrates with other Google tools like Google Docs and Drive.
<a href="#">Google Docs</a>	Create and edit text documents right in your browser, no dedicated software is required. Multiple people can work at the same time, collaborate on a document and every change is saved automatically.
<a href="#">Google Drawings</a>	Create content by drawing, pasting images, linking videos and websites, and inserting text, shapes, tables.
<a href="#">Google Forms</a>	Create custom forms for surveys and questionnaires. Analyze the results in a Google Sheets.
<a href="#">Google Sheets</a>	Collaborative, smart, secure spreadsheets that enables you to collaborate with anyone, anytime and anywhere.
<a href="#">Google Slides</a>	Create an edit polished presentations in your browser. Multiple people can work at the same time so everyone has the latest version.
<a href="#">Google Sites</a>	Collaboratively create engaging, high-quality sites for projects.
Handwriting Without Tears	<i>(In school only)</i> Handwriting Without Tears uses multisensory, developmentally appropriate strategies to increase success with early writing skills.
<a href="#">IXL All Access</a>	On IXL, math is more than just numbers. With unlimited questions, engaging item types, and real-world scenarios, IXL helps learners experience math at its most mesmerizing!  IXL Language Arts makes the world of words come alive with fun visuals and interactive questions. Build great writers through playful skills that pique learners' curiosity about language!

	<p>IXL Science The world will never look the same again! Vibrant visuals and fun facts inspire budding scientists to investigate their surroundings with an inquisitive eye.</p> <p>IXL Social Studies challenges learners to examine history and society through a fresh lens. Immersive narratives and engaging visuals help cultivate the next generation of great thinkers!</p>
<a href="#">Kahoot</a>	Kahoot! is a game-based learning platform, used as educational technology in schools and other educational institutions. Its learning games, "Kahoots", are multiple-choice quizzes that allow user generation and can be accessed via a web browser
<a href="#">Kidblog</a>	Kidblog provides K-12 teachers with tools to safely publish student writing. Teachers can monitor all activity within a community of authors. Posts can even be public, but nothing goes live until a teacher approves it.
<a href="#">Learning A- Z/Raz-Kids</a>	<p>Raz-Kids is an award-winning teaching product that provides comprehensive leveled <i>reading</i> resources for students. With hundreds of e-Books offered at 29 different levels of reading difficulty, it's easy to put the right book in every student's hands.</p> <p>Kids access their leveled text through an interactive learning portal designed to keep them motivated and engaged. Every eBook is available in online and mobile formats, and allows students to <i>listen to, read at their own pace, and record themselves reading</i>. Students then take a corresponding eQuiz</p>
<a href="#">Library Catalog</a>	Access to the school library catalog, databases and resources.
Microsoft Office 2016	Productivity suite that includes Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint
<a href="#">myOn Reader by Renaissance</a>	Renaissance myON® Reader is a student-centered, personalized literacy environment that gives students access to more than 6,000 enhanced digital books. Titles are dynamically matched to each individual student's interests, grade and Lexile® reading level. Combined with a suite of close reading tools and embedded

	supports, myON Reader fosters student engagement and achievement.
<a href="#">Nearpod</a>	Nearpod is an interactive classroom tool for teachers to engage students with video, images, drawing-board, web content.
<a href="#">Newsela</a>	Newsela is a website that posts a variety of articles at five different reading levels. This means each article can be read by students with a range of reading abilities.
<a href="#">News-O-Matic</a>	News-O-Matic is the first daily newspaper just for kids. It provides an exciting and engaging nonfiction experience for children, complete with valuable literacy tools for the classroom.
<a href="#">One More Story</a>	<i>(In school only)</i> An award-winning <i>online library</i> of classic and contemporary picture books from authors like Ezra Jack Keats, Eve Bunting and Cynthia Rylant.
<a href="#">Pearson Realize Math</a>	Online math platform for our math program: Investigations 3.
<a href="#">PearDeck</a>	Pear Deck Slides gives teachers the ability to engage and assess every student in every row, no matter what grade or subject. Using Pear Deck will help you create an interactive and community-focused classroom that builds confidence and comprehension.
<a href="#">PicCollage</a>	A digital publishing tool, PicCollage allows you to create amazing collages using your photos, fun stickers, text with cool fonts and frames. *(App for the iPad)
<a href="#">Search for Success</a>	Access to library databases from the library catalog.
<a href="#">Scholastic News</a>	Reading current events, nonfiction & Social Studies topics for kids.
<a href="#">Soundzabound</a>	Soundzabound is a royalty free music library. Students can use the audio files for creating original works.

	Soundzabound is ideal for video production, digital storytelling, web design, gaming and more.
<a href="#">Studies Weekly</a>	Standards based content
<a href="#">Typing Pal - CRS</a>	Typing Pal is a simple and efficient web-based program for beginners and intermediates who want to touch type at full speed! Great for keyboarding practice.
<a href="#">Voicethread</a>	VoiceThread is a learning tool for enhancing student engagement and online presence. With VoiceThread, instructors and/or students can create, share, and comment on images, Microsoft PowerPoint presentations, videos, audio files, documents, and PDFs, using a microphone, webcam, text, phone, and audio-file upload.
<a href="#">XtraMath</a>	XtraMath is a free web program that teaches addition, subtraction, multiplication and division facts which are critical to success in mathematics. Speed and accuracy are both important to fluency, and XtraMath will help kids build up both. *(App for the iPad)