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Guardian's Guide to Google Meet
Making connections beyond the classroom.

Your student can't make it into the school for class? No problem. Google Meet, a video conferencing tool that's part of Google Workspace for Education, can be used to teach and learn anywhere, anytime.

Meet is a virtual meeting place where teachers can have face-to-face chats and lessons with your student if they're at home. All students need is an internet-connected device and their school-provided account, and they can hop on Meet and continue learning. It's also a great way for you to stay informed about your student's progress by attending virtual parent-teacher meetings.

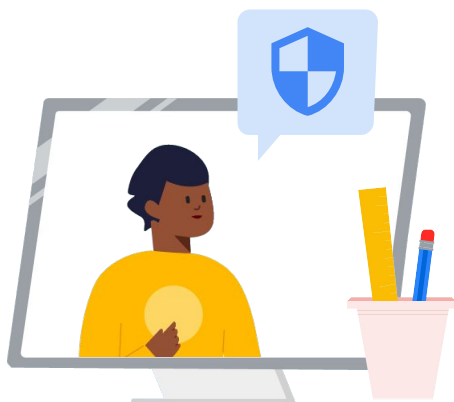## Why do schools choose Google Meet?

- **Easy to use**
  Join from school or home, on a laptop or mobile device, with low bandwidth and limited data – just **click** and meet.

- **Secure meeting management**
  Only the teacher can mute or remove other participants in a meeting, which means a student can't mute or remove their teacher.

- **Smooth communication**
  Teachers and students can launch Meet directly from Docs, Sheets, Slides, and Jamboard to keep collaborating on assignments quickly and smoothly.

- **Accessible learning**
  Students who need help focusing, or who are deaf or hard of hearing, can turn on **live captions** and even **spotlight** a sign language interpreter during meetings.

- **Lessons available anytime**
  Teachers and students can **record** meetings to make class content, including **meeting transcripts**, available outside of class.

Tips for using Google Meet at home

- **Be sure your student is using their Google Workspace for Education account**
  If your student is communicating with their teachers or peers, check that they are using their school Google Account, not a personal account.

- **Get help with homework**
  You can set up meetings with your student's teacher so they can get extra help with homework.

- **Create a great experience**
  Teach your student **easy ways to make the most of Meet**. For example, if you have low internet bandwidth, try turning off the camera on your student's device for better quality.

- **Encourage participation**
  Your student can use **hand-raising** to let their teacher know that they have a question, and they can use the **chat feature** to talk to their teacher and peers.

→ **Learn more about Google Meet:**
edu.google.com/products/meet

Student safety with Google Meet

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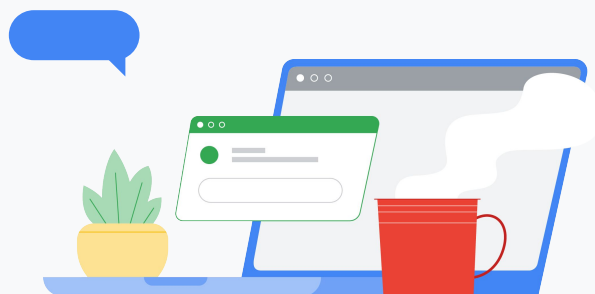[1] Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

[2] Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998

[3] General Data Protection Regulation

Google Meet includes features to safeguard student privacy. Teachers can:

- Prevent uninvited students and adults from entering the virtual space to ensure privacy.

- Remove people from the virtual space and manage those who have joined.

- End sessions and prevent people from rejoining without the teacher present.

- Manage who can chat, present, and speak – so that everyone gets their turn. After all, every student's voice is important.

Discover more about Google Meet and learn troubleshooting tips with our cheat sheet and training page.

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