Edgenuity Parent Newsletter

Welcome to Edgenuity, Parents!

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Edgenuity Overview

Edgenuity provides an exciting and engaging educational environment that is designed to capture attention and draw students into the interactive world of online and blended learning.

Edgenuity has provided courses for students in sixth to twelfth grade for fifteen years, and through experience with teachers, students, and parents, has built an engaging and effective curriculum that connects science, math, language arts, social studies, and elective courses to your student's everyday world.

Using a combination of animations, simulations, video-led direct instruction, relevant web sites, and a myriad of activities that support the lesson's topic, students have a wealth of information at their fingertips that can be reviewed as many times as necessary to achieve mastery. Edgenuity strongly believes that each student is unique and acquires information in his or her own way. As a result of that belief, courses are designed to provide students with activities that support the ways they learn best: seeing, hearing, and touching the course materials.

To ensure your student's experience with Edgenuity is successful, we wanted to provide information that will enable you to partner in this goal.

Tips to Help Your Student Succeed

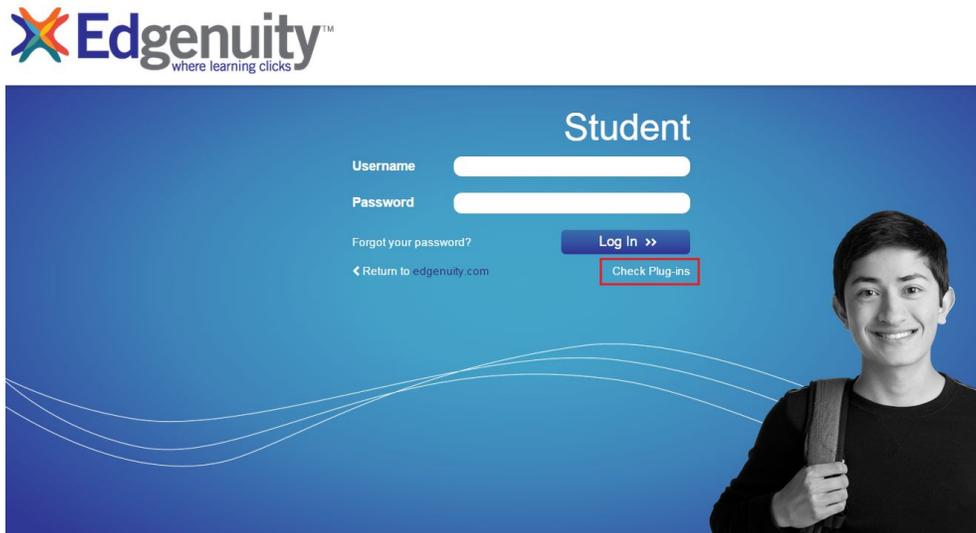Focus on three things: time, expectations, and encouragement.
- ❖ Time: If your student is able to work on Edgenuity courses from home, then make sure your student has scheduled enough time to complete daily assignments at a doable pace. If your student works on Edgenuity courses on-site at school, then encourage your student to schedule time to review his or her printed eNotes before taking assessments.
- ❖ Set High Expectations: Encourage your student to actively use the Assignment Calendar to track what course work he or she should be completing each day. Setting and achieving daily goals helps keep students motivated and determined to succeed.
- ❖ Ask for Feedback, and Provide Encouragement: On a daily basis, check in with your student by asking questions.
  - ➢ What did you learn today?
  - ➢ What did you accomplish today?
  - ➢ What did you find challenging today?
  - ➢ How did you overcome those challenges?
  - ➢ How can I help you achieve success?

Logging in to the System

The web address for Edgenuity is learn.edgenuity.com/student.

Please note there is no **www** before the web address.

Once you type the web address into the address bar of your browser window and press the **Enter** key on your keyboard or the **Search** button in your browser window, you will be taken to the Edgenuity login page. Before you log in, it is a good idea to check the plug-ins on your computer to verify that you have all the software necessary to run the Edgenuity program. Please click the **Check Plug-ins** link in the bottom-right portion of the login window so that our system can run an instant check.

You will receive a notification window that provides you with a confirmation regarding the software found on your computer.

If the software check comes back with pretty green checkmarks, then continue logging in. If the software check comes back with a red ! next to any of the required software, then click the software provider's link and download the necessary version of the software.

Student Progress Report

Knowing how your student is performing in his or her courses is important. We want to make sure that you not only have access to that information, but also know how to interpret it.

NAME OF COURSE: At the top of the report you will see the name of the course.

COURSE COMPLETED: There are three elements in the Course Completed section that advise you on the progress your child is making in that specific course:

- ❖ **Course Completed percentage:** Indicates the percent of the course completed, calculated by the number of assignments completed vs. the total number of assignments in the course weighted by the average time it takes a student to complete the types of assignments.
- ❖ **Color coded completion squares:** Indicate what the colors in the square blocks just below the Course Completed percentage represent:
  - ➢ **Red**: Your child is falling behind in the course
  - ➢ **Blue**: Your child is on track with the course
  - ➢ **Green**: Your child is ahead of schedule in the course
- ❖ **Target Completion:** Indicates how far along in the course the student should be.

OVERALL GRADE: The grade your child has earned thus far in the course, based on all activities and assessments he or she has completed:

- ❖ **Overall Grade percentage:** Percentage grade based on a 0%–100% scale.

- ❖ **Color coded grade squares:** Quick-reference colors to indicate what your child's grade is in the course(s):
  - ➢ **Red**: Indicates a grade between 0%–59%
  - ➢ **Orange**: Indicates a grade between 60%–69%
  - ➢ **Yellow**: Indicates a grade between 70%–79%
  - ➢ **Olive**: Indicates a grade between 80%–89%
  - ➢ **Green**: Indicates a grade between 90%–100%
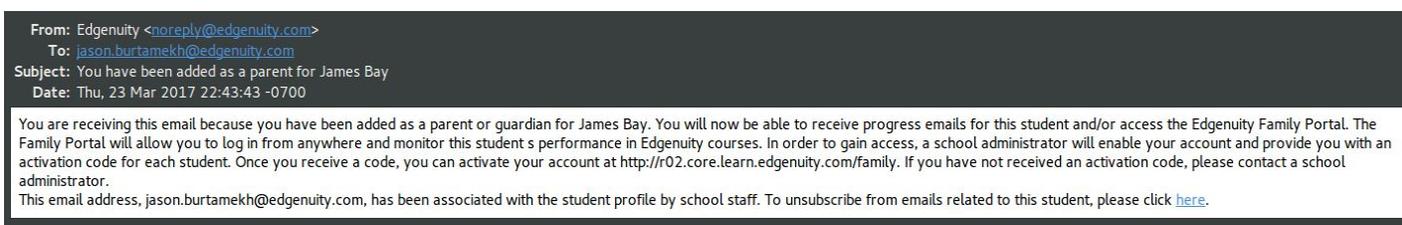
Family Portal Guide

Introduction

The Family Portal is a site that allows parents access to current information about their student's progress and performance. Parents will be able to see a range of information such as how much time the student has spent working on their courses, what their grades are, and if they are on track to finish their courses on time.

The Family Portal can be accessed at http://learn.edgenuity.com/family/

Family Portal Setup and Use

The Family Portal feature must be enabled by your student's teacher/admin. An access code will be provided to you by the teacher/admin to use in the registration process.
Once you receive the email below, you can start the registration process.

> **From:** Edgenuity <noreply@edgenuity.com>
> **To:** jason.burtamekh@edgenuity.com
> **Subject:** You have been added as a parent for James Bay
> **Date:** Thu, 23 Mar 2017 22:43:43 -0700
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> You are receiving this email because you have been added as a parent or guardian for James Bay. You will now be able to receive progress emails for this student and/or access the Edgenuity Family Portal. The Family Portal will allow you to log in from anywhere and monitor this student s performance in Edgenuity courses. In order to gain access, a school administrator will enable your account and provide you with an activation code for each student. Once you receive a code, you can activate your account at http://r02.core.learn.edgenuity.com/family. If you have not received an activation code, please contact a school administrator.
> This email address, jason.burtamekh@edgenuity.com, has been associated with the student profile by school staff. To unsubscribe from emails related to this student, please click here.
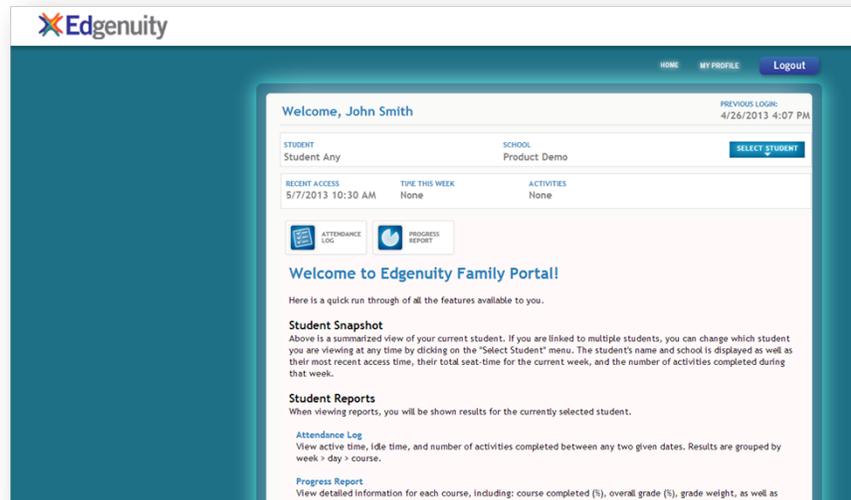
Clicking on the **link** in the email will begin the registration process. At this point, you will be prompted to enter in the email address where you received the notification email, along with the activation code you were provided by the teacher/admin.
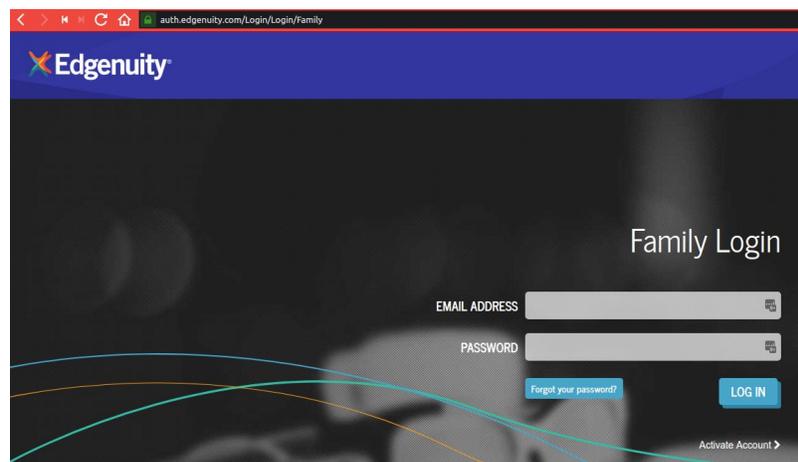
With the account now generated, you will automatically be logged into the Family Portal. Once you are logged in, you will be able to see a listing for all students that are associated with your account. You will also have the ability to view the Attendance Log and/or Progress Report for any of your associated children.

The Family Portal site contains explanations for all of the information you'll be able to find, such as the attendance log, progress reports, and more, so that you can understand all the details about how your student is doing.

Logging into the Family Portal

When you return to the Family Portal at http://learn.edgenuity.com/family/, you can log in using your email address and the password you created. If you have trouble remembering your password, you can click the **Forgot your password?** link, enter your email address, and your password will be emailed to you.

FAIRBANKS MIDDLE SCHOOL

CREDIT RECOVERY

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(winston churchill)

As per the Fairbanks Middle School Student Handbook, the following are the guidelines set forth for promotion to high school:

Seventh and eighth grade students must earn a total of 10 credits by the end of their eighth grade year for promotion to high school. Seventh and eighth grade students must earn passing grades in each of the core content classes (math, science, English language arts, and social studies) each year. Seventh and eighth grade students will earn a half (.50) middle school credit each semester per class. Daily Math Skills is worth one quarter (.25) middle school credit per class. Credit requirements:

> **4 credits** = One credit in each of the four core subjects in 7th grade: math, science, social studies, and English language arts
> **PLUS 4 credits** = One credit in each of the four core subjects in 8th grade: math, science, social studies, and English language arts
> **2 additional credits** in any of the following: elective classes and/or DMS

Guidelines for Credit Recovery

In the event that a middle school student is deficient in credits for promotion to high school, the administration proposes the following guidelines:

❖ Students will have the opportunity to attend summer school at a cost to the student – up to two courses may be taken per session. This would allow a student to earn two credits (.50 credit equals one semester) during the two summer sessions. If the student finishes the courses early, the student may be allowed to take additional courses during the summer sessions.
❖ Each course runs from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Monday through Thursday for three weeks and costs $100 per course.
❖ Fairbanks Middle School will also accept credits from any accredited institution for work completed in the summer (Arizona K-12, Primavera, etc.).
❖ Once the student has acquired the 10 credits needed for promotion, s/he will assume a full high school schedule.
❖ It is the student's responsibility to present official proof of summer credit completion.
❖ No pupil may be kept at the same junior high-grade level more than two years without an educational evaluation and review by an educational team that includes his or her parents.

Due to these promotion requirements set by Fairbanks Middle School, administration may also offer credit recovery during the school year to students who either failed to enroll in summer school, or ended deficient even after attending one or both summer sessions. The two programs currently offered to recover credits are the Arizona Migrant P.A.S.S. Program (correspondence) and Edgenuity (online).

ARIZONA MIGRANT P.A.S.S. PROGRAM

❖ P.A.S.S. (Portable Assisted Study Sequence) is a nationally recognized program. The P.A.S.S. packets are similar to correspondence courses and are completed outside the regular school program. Students can earn one-half (½) credit for each course. This cost for enrollment per course is $35 and is the responsibility of the student. **Payment can only be in the form of a cashier's check or money order.**
❖ The only courses offered through P.A.S.S. are ELA and mathematics.
❖ In order to be enrolled in the program, the FMS principal will complete an enrollment form and submit it to the State P.A.S.S. office with payment.
❖ A contact person will distribute the course to each student unit by unit. A contact person will administer a test after each unit is completed. **TESTS ARE ONLY ADMINISTERED DURING SATURDAY SCHOOL.**
❖ A grade report will be sent to the contact person after each test is scored. A final transcript will be sent to the FMS office after the course is completed.
❖ A student who fails the course if eligible to re-enroll in the same course once.

EDGENUITY

The program used in the summer sessions offered by Morenci High School is also the program used during the school year by Fairbanks Middle School. Edgenuity is accredited by AdvancED and is a self-paced online program where pretesting allows students to spend more time on what they need, and less time on content they have already mastered.   Course content is customized by the FMS Edgenuity administrator to meet the standards of the Morenci Unified School District.   The curriculum allows students to recover/earn entire levels in one or more subject areas and allow them to promote with their cohort.

Should Fairbanks administration deem that a student may benefit from the use of Edgenuity credit recovery during the school year, the following shall take place:

❖ Initial conference between the student and administration to go over transcripts and credits lacking.
❖ Meeting with FMS Edgenuity administrator to set up account and enroll in classes. No more than two classes will be assigned at once.

GUIDELINES FOR EDGENUITY STUDENTS

- ❖ All students shall complete the entire course not to exceed 90 hours as customized by the FMS Edgenuity administrator by the end of the semester in which they are enrolled. Changes to hours of coursework may be requested by the FMS Edgenuity administrator, but MUST be approved by the principal.
- ❖ Students must receive a passing grade (60%+) upon the completion of the course in order to receive credit.
- ❖ WEIGHTING: As courses may differ in categories, FMS Edgenuity administrator shall use the following as a guideline for categorical weights:
  - ➢ ASSIGNMENTS: minimum of 5%, not to exceed 10%
  - ➢ LABS: minimum of 5% not to exceed 10%
  - ➢ ESSAYS: minimum of 10% not to exceed 20%
  - ➢ QUIZZES: minimum of 10% not to exceed 20%
  - ➢ EXAMS: minimum of 20% not to exceed 30%
  - ➢ TESTS: 40%
  - ➢ ADDITIONAL: as deemed necessary by FMS Edgenuity administrator
- ❖ Any student who fails to master an objective after the set number of tries must first complete a review of the objective using IXL, or another means of review approved by the Edgenuity administrator before additional retakes will be granted.
- ❖ Should any student show "idle" for an inexplicable amount of time on session logs during an assigned credit recovery class over multiple class periods, the student's privilege to continue with the Edgenuity program may be revoked. The student will be warned and parent contact made before removing the student. The removal of a student is solely at the discretion of Fairbanks administration.
- ❖ ELIGIBILITY: In order to be eligible for athletics and/or extra-curricular activities, a student must complete a minimum of _____ of coursework per week. A phone call home will be placed for any student deemed ineligible due to failure to meet completion requirements.
- ❖ The amount of time it takes a student to complete a course is solely up to the student. Internet access is all that is needed to log on to Edgenuity. Students are highly encouraged to work outside of school hours.

If you have any questions, please contact the Fairbanks office at 928-865-3501.

We have read and understand the expectations of the credit recovery programs offered at Fairbanks Middle School during the 2017-2018 school year. Session logs showing extended periods of idleness may result in the revocation of the privilege to continue in the program. **Most importantly, we understand a minimum of _____ progress per week is required to remain academically eligible for sports/extracurricular activities.**

Modifications to any course may only be made by FMS administration.

Student Printed Name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date:_____

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Request for Student Progress Reports

We encourage you to be an active part of your student's experience with Edgenuity. As such, we want to keep you informed of your student's progress by offering you the ability to receive weekly progress reports via e-mail.

Please provide us with the following information. Once your student's Edgenuity account has been updated, you will receive an activation code via e-mail.

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PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS

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ALTERNATE EMAIL ADDRESS

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM
TO THE FMS OFFICE BY
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