

All Parents and Guardians Must Create Individual PowerSchool Accounts Immediately

Educational research finds that parental involvement is a significant factor in a child's academic performance. Researchers from Brigham Young University, North Carolina State University, and the University of California collected data from over 10,000 students and found that students with high levels of family involvement performed better academically than students with low levels of family involvement.

Accordingly, the Cameron R-1 School District recently introduced a new login system called Single Sign-On (SSO). Every parent/guardian that uses PowerSchool must create a new account as part of the SSO enhancement. SSO gives parents quicker and more convenient access to PowerSchool data for their student(s). SSO allows parents and guardians to set up their own individual login credentials and, for those with multiple students in the district, access to all of their students' information with a single login. In addition, SSO allows users to retrieve forgotten login and password information themselves rather than requiring a call to school.

Instructions for creating a parent account are as follows:

1. Go to the Parent Portal page: <https://cameron.powerschool.com/public> (this can be found under the Quick Links on the school website: <http://www.cameron.k12.mo.us/>)
2. You'll see the usual login slots plus a new option to "Create an Account".
3. Click "Create an Account" to begin the process of creating your new single sign on (SSO). Please note that setting up a new login is necessary even if you only have one student enrolled in the Cameron R-1 School District.
4. When you reach the registration page, you will be asked to input your name, desired username, password and your student's names and your relationship to them. Please note that you may not use your e-mail address as your username.
5. After confirming an available username and a secure password you will go to the "Link to Students to Account" field on the registration page. Enter the parent "Access ID" and "Access Password" to link them to your account. Once you have finished with your entries, click "Enter" to finish the process.
6. If you get the error message that your student has not been added to your account because valid student information was not entered then you are not using the parent access ID and password that you had previously. You have probably been logged in as your student all along.
7. Parent login information will be available at your building's registration. If it is not, please call the school office to have a reminder letter mailed to you.
8. Also note that if you do not have the access information for all of your students at hand, you may add them at a later date within the portal.

POWERSCHOOL PARENT APP

Pearson has also released PowerSchool iOS and Android apps for smartphone users. To be able to use the PowerSchool app, parents will first need to set up a PowerSchool SSO. PowerSchool Apps will work on the iPhone or the iPad as well as Droid OS based systems using these directions:

1. Go to the App store and do a search for “PowerSchool for Parents”. Select and install the app on your desired device.
2. Launch the app.
3. The District Code is FRDK and you will sign-in with the SSO username and password that you previously created.
4. If you have trouble linking to the district’s page you may click on the “HELP” tab.

Upon entering the App, you will be presented with an overall calendar view. For more specific information, click the “student group” icon in the upper left corner of the screen. Here you will be presented with a list of all students that you have registered under your account. Select the student of current interest and you will be presented with a main screen from which you can proceed to several categories of information.

POWERSCHOOL STUDENT APP

Students also have portable access to PowerSchool right from their iOS and Android devices. The student APP will work on the iPhone or the iPad as well as Droid OS based systems by using the above directions to download the App.

Pearson PowerSchool has posted a video on YouTube which details the process (https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=Yk9UBBJ4BP8), and they also have a video that shows how to add additional students (https://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=Yk9UBBJ4BP8).