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Google Classroom: Skyward and Infinite Campus

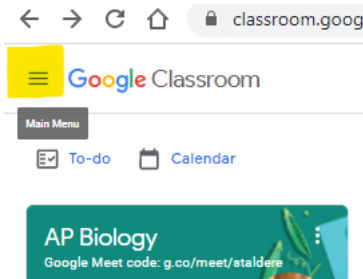- **Infinite Campus and Google Classroom**
  - Limited integration
  - District must have Campus Learning Suite license
  - Does NOT support standard based grades
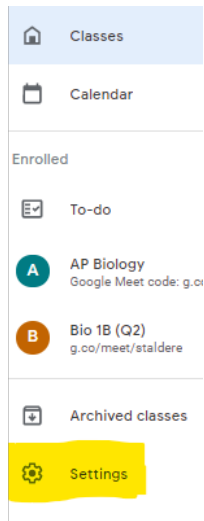- **Skyward and Google Classroom**
  - No automatic integration (yet)
  - September 2019 – announced partnership with Google for education
  - Manual grade entry is frustrating for students, families, and staff

Google Classroom: Notifications

1. Click on "Pancake" from Google Classroom Dashboard

2. Click on "Settings" Gear

3. Enable/Disable Desired Notification Settings

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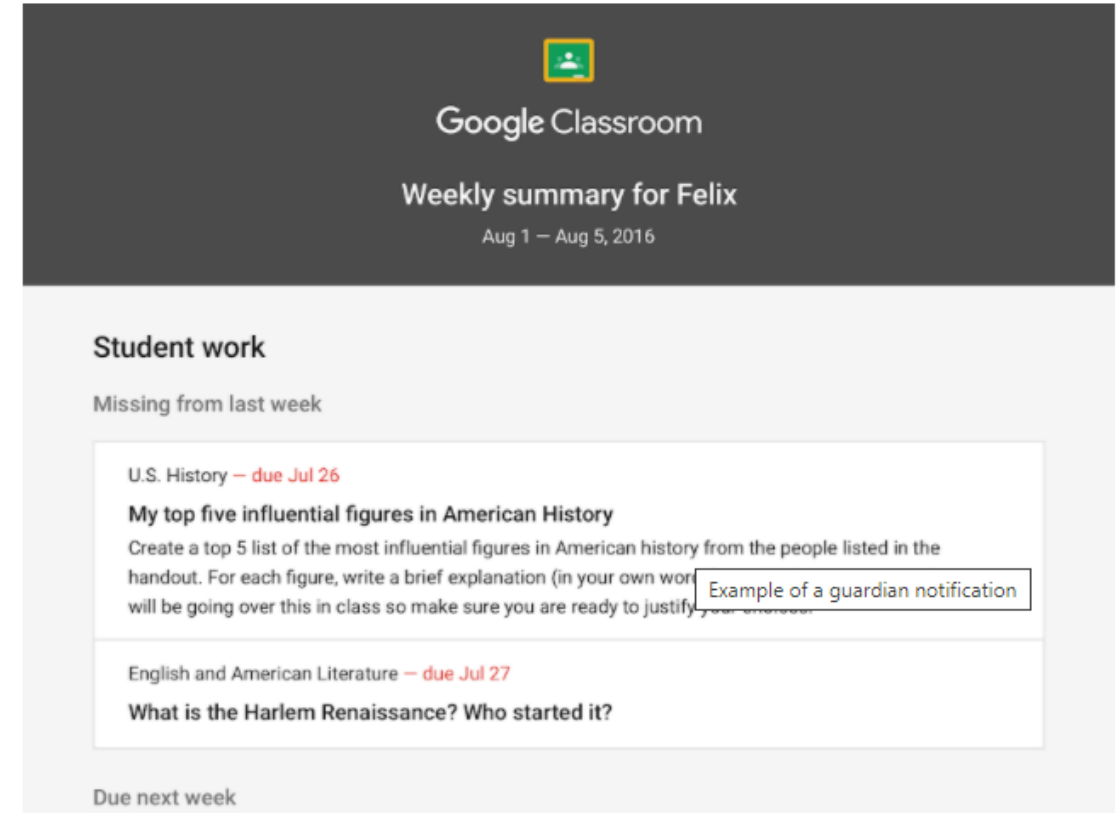
Google Classroom: Student Work Summaries

- **Guardian Email Summaries**
  - Guardian Feature enabled by individual districts
  - Feature enabled by individual teacher for individual classes
  - Includes:
    - Missing Work
    - Upcoming Work
    - Class Activities (announcements, assignments, etc.)
  - You can NOT directly access your student's Google Classroom dashboard as a parent
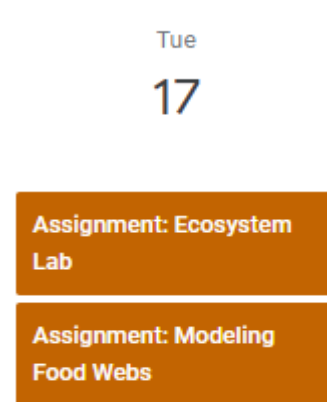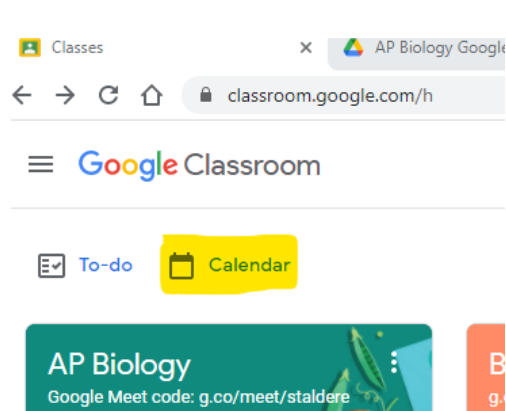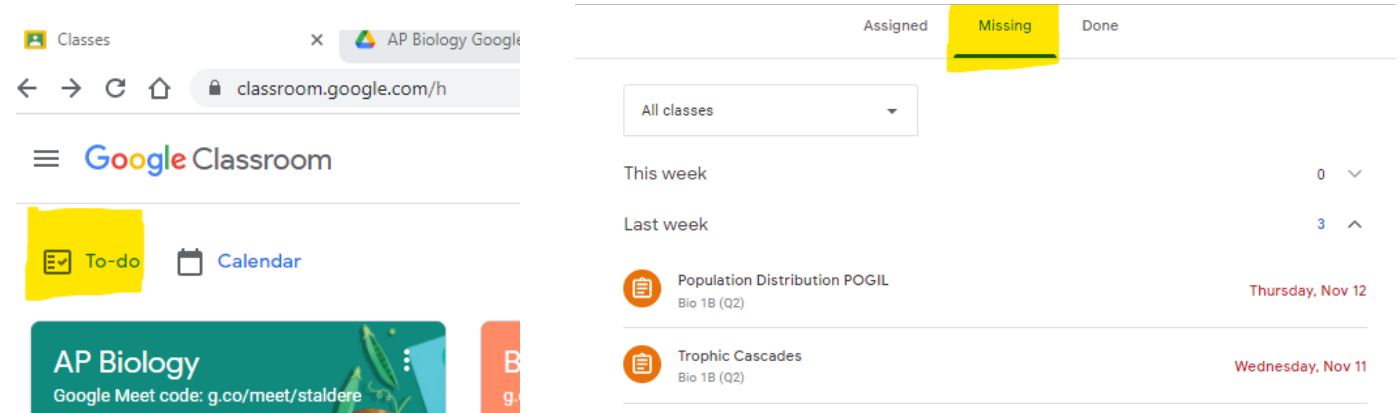
Google Classroom: Helping your Student Check Assignments

- **"To-Do"**
  - Lists missing, completed, and upcoming assignments

- **Calendar**
  - Auto-populates all assignments that have due dates

Clicking here takes you directly to the assignment!

Google Classroom: Contacting Teachers

- **Consider Email**
  - Classroom does NOT always notify instructors of messages submitted via Google Classroom
  - No response? Email again – most staff are not used to managing the vast increase in email communication

- **Sample Emails**
  - I turned in _____. Would you be able to check this when you have time?
  - I noticed that my _____ assignment was not graded in Skyward. Would you be able to check this when you have a chance?
  - I have questions about _____ assignment. Is there a good time to either set up a Google Meet, or to get a pass to come in during TRIE?

    Thank you,
    Betsy Stalder
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Tech Pro-Tips: Hardware

- **Help! My assignments won't load! Everything is slow!**
  - Restart your device (NOT from sleep!) EVERY DAY
  - Close extra tabs/apps – especially media (YouTube, Netflix, etc.)
  - Remove Extra Chrome Extensions
  - Turn off video
  - Change location – are you close enough to your Wi-Fi?