

Google Classroom Best Practices



#	Practice Click on Images to see video steps
1	Link your "Classwork" page to Blue Knight Page Click Classwork tab & then copy the link so students go directly to Classwork
2	Keep Stream for announcements only Go to Settings → General → Classwork on the stream and select Hide Notifications Google Classroom Keep Stream Clean
3	Use Topics Topics (like folders) organize assignments & resources. Consider: Creating a Helpful Links/Resources topic (Resources may be on your Blue Knight Page) Click here for topic ideas
4	Include Assignment Due Dates When you add a due date to an assignment, quiz, or question, the assignment is added to students' To Do List & View Your Work page as well as their Calendar.
5	Highlight Learning Objectives Learning Objectives should be visible. Make sure students know where you put the objective/s; (eg. weekly agenda, with materials/assignments on Google Classroom, etc.)
6	Post assignments at the start of each week Try Scheduling assignments ahead of time. You may want to Post New Assignments at the top of the Classwork Page.
7	Provide a Weekly Agenda on BlueKnight Page A weekly schedule/outline of what to expect each week is helpful You may want to suggest which activities should be done each day.
8	Use the "To Review" and give feedback Using the "To Review" feature, allows you to see and grade student work across all classes or individual class. Google Classroom makes it easy to give feedback to students. • Whole-Class - use Stream or Class Comments • Individual Student - use Private Comments or Rubrics

Additional Considerations



Explain how your Classroom works

Everyone will add their own personal touch to their Classroom; help students understand how your Classroom operates (e.g. topics, numbered within topics, newest on top, emoji codes, etc.) Create a video or cheat sheet.



Change the font style in Announcements and Assignments

Let's face it Google Classroom can be a little bland.

Make it a little more visually interesting by changing the Font Style using a site such as CoolFont.org

- Enter your text in the Input text box (at the top)
- 2. Scroll through the fonts
- 3. Click to copy the the font you want to paste in Classroom



Use Emojis to Simplify and Personalize

- Emojis add a visual element to your Classroom.
- Add emojis to topics and assignments using your emoji keyboard, the Chromoji extension or a website such as Emojipedia.
- Consider creating an Emoji Code Guide.

