

# FocalPoint®

**Educator Quick Start Guide** 

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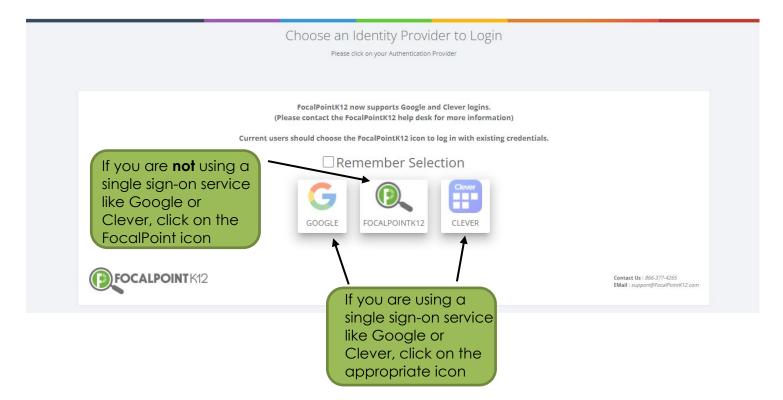
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# Logging In

#### Your Username & Password

How you log in to FocalPoint depends on your implementation. FocalPoint supports logins with multiple integrations such as Single Sign On (SSO). If you were given a username and password to access FocalPoint, you can use this login information at https://lms.backpack.education/



# If You Forget Your Username & Password

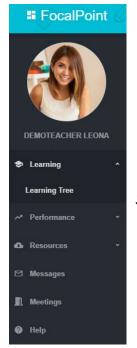
If you are having trouble logging in or forgot your login information, you can use the "Forgot Password" option on the FocalPoint login screen. At the Reset Login page, you'll fill in your username and email. You will receive a temporary password via email.

User name	
Your unique username to app	
Password	
Your strong password	
Sign In	TIP:
Register Parent Account	The temporary password will be coming from
	info@focalpointk12.com or sendgrid.net



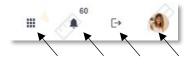
# Your Home Screen Toolbars

#### **FocalPoint Toolbar Tabs**



- Learning → Learning Tree and Course Designer
  - o Note: Course Designer is a permission given individually
- Performance → Data Dashboard & LT Learners
- Resources → Tests, Questions, & Content
- Messages
- Meetings
- Help

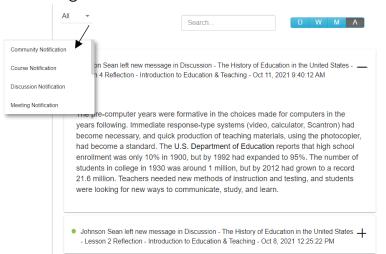
See below for more detailed navigation within each section



# Menu Toolbar: Apps, Notifications, Logout

On the top right of your menu toolbar, you will see four icons: Apps, Notifications, Logout, and Profile.

- Apps will allow you to launch into 3<sup>rd</sup> party tools such as Google Drive, Google Classroom and Google Calendar.
- My Notifications will house alerts such as new messages, new courses, upcoming meetings, etc. Clicking 'All' in the upper left will allow you to filter notifications by community, course, discussion, meeting, message, reply, student classroom and training assignee. You can also search by keyword or by Day, Week, Month or All Time. The + by every notification will expand the notification message.

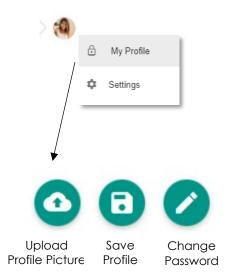






- Logout will log you out of FocalPoint.
- Profile will bring you to My Profile and Settings
  - My Profile allows you to create a bio, update login credentials, change your profile picture, add Zoom information and edit notification preferences.
  - Settings will allow you to customize your FocalPoint layout and color options.

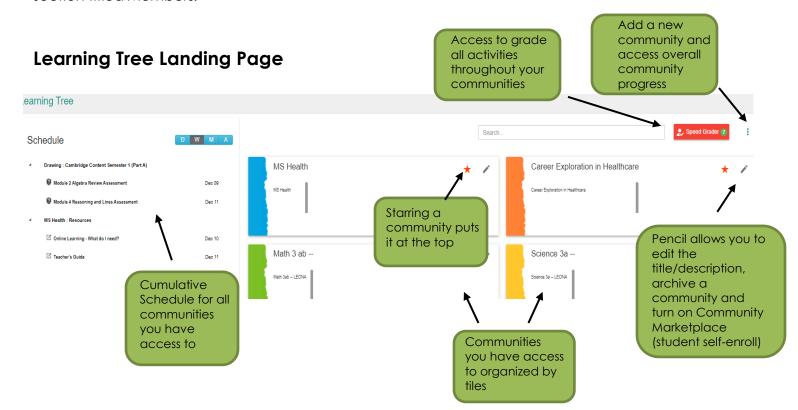
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# Learning Tree Landing Page

## What Is a Community?

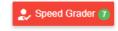
In FocalPoint, you'll see the word 'Community' in many places. Communities are a way of grouping enrollments and rosters to a specific course(s). Each community has its own settings and tools such as meetings, progress monitoring, messaging, announcements, etc. Each community is represented by a tile on the Learning Tree landing page. You can be an owner, co-owner or observer (view-only) of a community (you'll lean more about these roles in the section titled Members.



# **Overall Community Speed Grader**

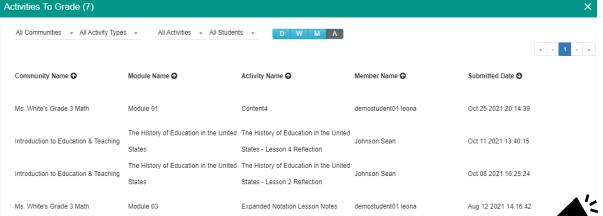


Speed Grader allows you to grade all activities throughout every community you have access to. You can filter by Community, Activity Type, Activity, Students, and Timeframe (Day, Week, Month, All Time).



Add New Community

Progress

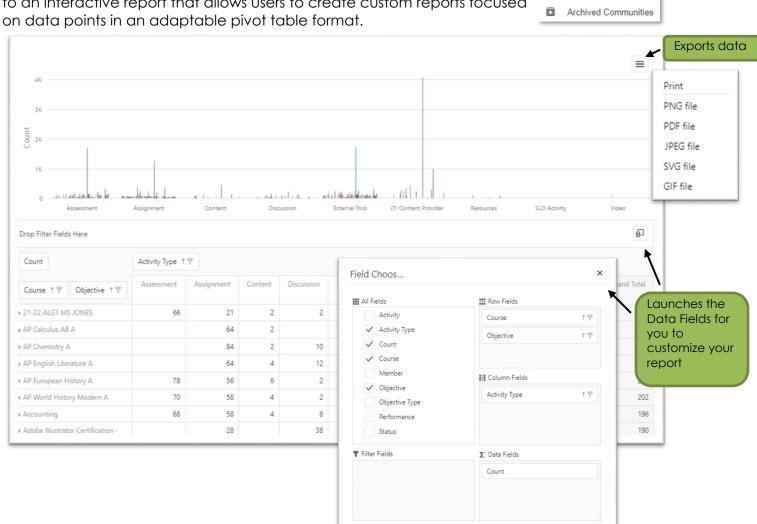


Clicking on an activity will launch you to the activity where you can score, re-open, give the student notes, reset, edit the score. or excuse. You'll learn more about this later in the guide!

# Speed Grader can also be accessed while in a community

# **Overall Community Progress**

In the upper right corner, you'll see a 3-dot menu. *Progress* will bring you to an interactive report that allows users to create custom reports focused on data points in an adaptable pivot table format.

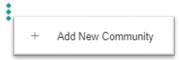


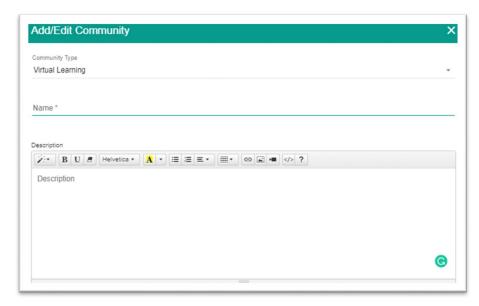
# Community Management



## **Add New Community**

In the upper right corner, you'll see a 3-dot menu. Select Add New Community and fill out the community details. The name and description of the community are required and will be seen by everyone who has access to the community – educators and students.





# Making Community a Marketplace (Student Self – Enroll)

After you have saved your community details, click on the pencil in the community tile. Below the description, you'll see 'Mark as Marketplace Community.' Once you check that on, you'll see a token. If you provide this token to the student, the student can self-enroll to your community.



Students will self-enroll by clicking the 3-dot menu on their Learning landing page and selecting Marketplace Communities. They'll see a list of all marketplace communities and will select the community they'd like to self-enroll to. They'll type in the token you provided to them and then select 'Join Community.'





# The token will be the same for all students. It's a community-based token.

# Archiving a Community

On the community tile, click on the pencil. Below the description, check on Archive and then Save. You can also delete a community within the community by clicking on the trashcan in the Settings tab.



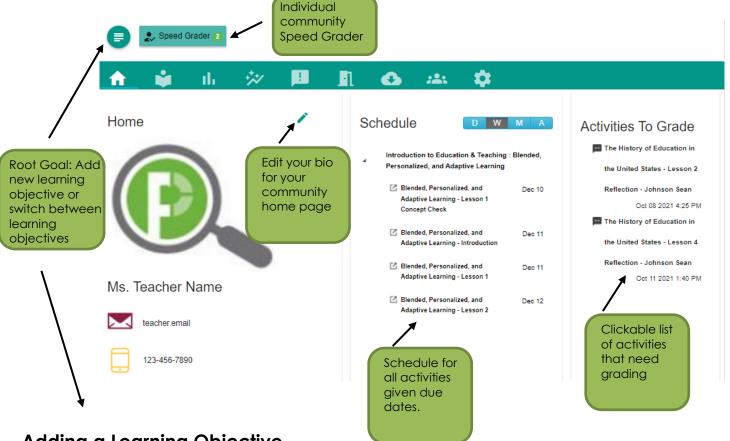


# **Understanding Your Community**

To open up a community, select anywhere on the community tile located on the Learning Tree landing page. Once your community is open, you'll see you community toolbar icons. Please note these tabs can be customized in the Settings tab and you may not see all of them. See below for more detailed navigation within each section.



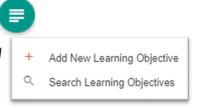
### 1. Community Landing Page



Adding a Learning Objective

In FocalPoint, learning objectives are your courses. You can add as many learning objects to a community as you'd like. To add a learning objective, you'll click on the Root Goal icon in the upper right. You have the option to Add New Learning Objective or Search Learning Objectives.

- Select Add New Learning Objective if you'd like to create a course from scratch
  - o You'll fill out learning objective name, description, and tags (standards).
- Select Search New Learning Objective if you'd like to pull from courses your district has published or were created in Course Designer (permission is needed).
  - You can filter by the content provider or keyword. Select the course tile you'd like to add to your community.



TIP:



The Root Goal icon is also where you can switch to different learning objectives within your

community



## 2. Learning

This tab is where you will do all course creation and editing. To view all units in a course, click 'All' in the number timeline.



When viewing the course outline, you'll notice some toggle icons at the course and individual activity level.

Require





Publish

Required: If turned on, the student will see an asterisk next to the activity signifying it's required.

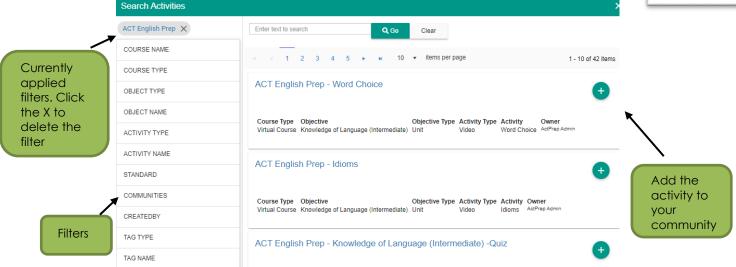
Activate: If turned on, the student can begin the activity.

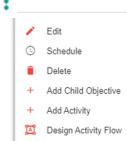
Publish: If turned on, students will have access to view activity. Activities unpublished are hidden from the student.



# Child Objective (Unit) Content Menu

- Edit: Edit the title, description, tags and attachments of a unit
- Schedule: Schedule the unit dates with a start and end time
- Delete: Delete the unit
- Add Child Objective: Add an additional topic within the unit
  - o Type in the topic name, description, and tags
- Add Activity: Add a custom activity
  - You'll have a variety of activity types. For example, Assessment, Assignment, Content, Discussion, etc. For more information on activity types, click here
- Design Activity Flow: Allows you to create infinite pathway options for students based on their level of learning. Refer to below for more information
  - Search Activity: Search and add an activity from your district's resources (illustrated below)



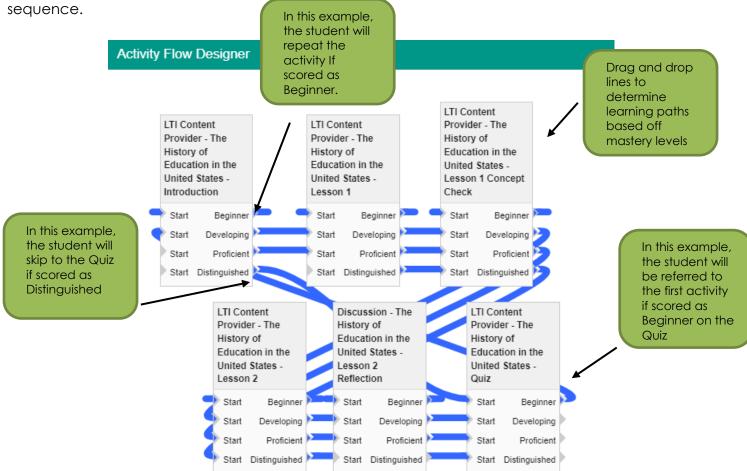


Search Activity



## **Activity Flow Designer**

You can access the Activity Flow Designer by clicking on the Child Objective (Unit) Content Menu. The Activity Flow Designer allows educators to create infinite pathway options for students based on their level of learning. To begin, drag the activities around so you can see all. Next, draw lines from activities based off the desired



When a student is referred to an activity based off your Activity Flow, they will see a thumbs up icon next to the activity. This will act as a suggestion. Students are still able to complete activities even if they were able to skip them due to the Activity Flow.

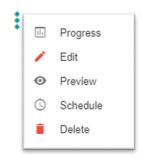


# た TIP:

The mastery titles and scores (ie Beginner, Developing) are dependent on your district. You may see different titles than this example.

# **Activity Content Menu**

- Progress: Will show you activity performance and grading details per student. Refer to the next section for more details
- Edit: Edit the activity
- Preview: Preview the activity
- Schedule: Schedule the targeted start and end date for the activity
- Delete: This option will only appear for custom content. Deleting the activity will remove it from the community



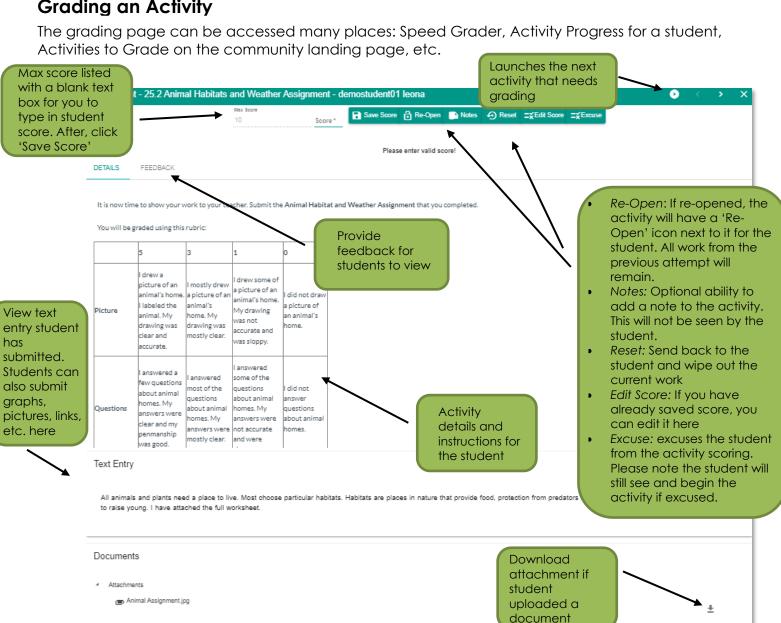


### **Activity Progress**



- Details: Opens up the grading page. Refer to next section for more details
- Notes: Add a note to the activity. This will not be seen by the student.
- Reset: Reset the activity. Resetting will wipe out the current work from the student
- Excuse: This option will appear if the student has not submitted the activity. It excuses the student from the activity scoring. Please note the student will still see and begin the activity if excused.
- Re-Open: This option will appear if the student has submitted the activity. If re-opened, the activity will have a 'Re-Open' icon next to it for the student. All work from the previous attempt will remain.

# Grading an Activity

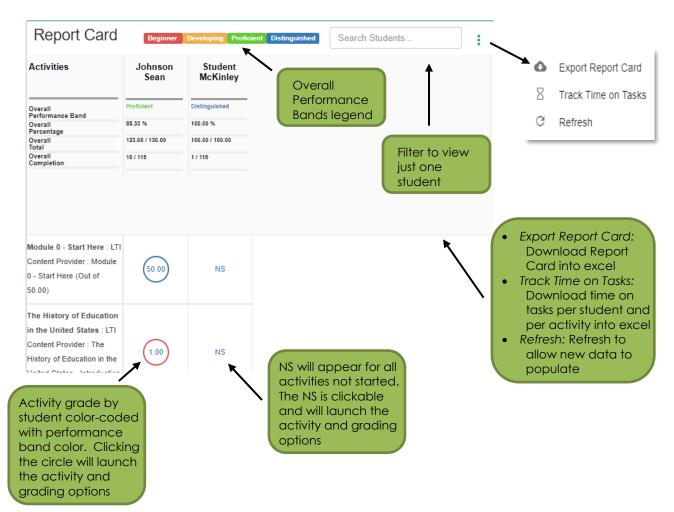




## 3. Report Card

The community report card has color-coded reports related to student work. By student, you can see Overall Performance Band, Overall Percentage, Overall Total, and Overall Completion.

Overall Performance Bands are customized at the district level. For this guide, we'll use our default settings: Beginner (red), Developing (yellow), Proficient (green), Distinguished (blue).



The Time on Task excel download will show:

- Student Name, Goal Name (Learning Objective), Activity Name
- Total Duration: Total duration accessing the course in hours: minutes: seconds
- Avg Per Day Duration: Average duration accessing the course in hours: minutes: seconds
- Total Visits: Number of visits total and per day
- Last Visited: Last date the student accessed the course

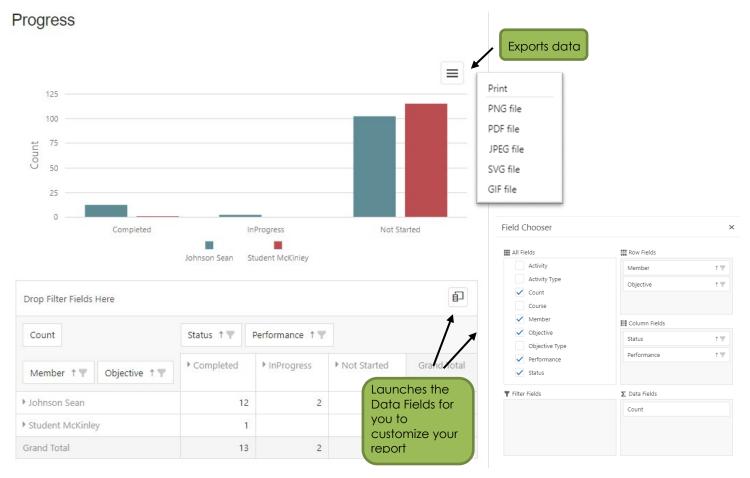
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3	Student Name	Goal Name	Activity Name	Total Duration	Avg Per Day Duration	Total Visits	Avg Per Day Visits	Last Visited
4	Stella May	Module 0 - Start Here	Module 0 - Start Here	01:06:00	00:22:00	6	2	10/27/2021
5	Stella May	Module 0 - Start Here	Module 0 - Start Here	00:05:00	00:05:00	3	3	9/7/2021
6	Stella May	Organizing Documents Part I	Organizing Documents Part I - Project	00:00:00	00:00:00	1	1	10/28/2021
7	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Introduction	00:09:00	00:04:00	6	3	10/29/2021
8	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 1	00:20:00	00:10:00	5	2	10/29/2021
9	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 1 Concept Check	00:03:00	00:03:00	1	1	10/29/2021
10	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 2	00:05:00	00:05:00	2	2	10/29/2021
11	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 2 Concept Check	00:03:00	00:03:00	2	2	10/29/2021
12	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 3	00:09:00	00:09:00	1	1	10/29/2021
13	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 3 Concept Check	00:03:00	00:03:00	1	1	10/29/2021
14	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 4	00:03:00	00:03:00	1	1	10/29/2021
15	Stella May	Project Setup and Interface Part I	Project Setup and Interface Part I - Lesson 4 Reflection	00:01:00	00:01:00	2	2	10/29/2021



## 4. Progress

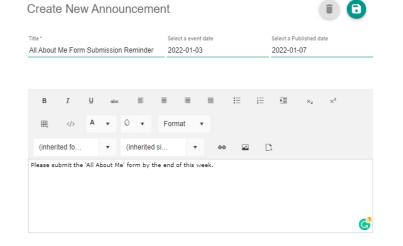
The community Progress tab is a dashboard for teachers to organize and analyze student data. Teachers can create custom reports focused on data points in an adaptable pivot table format.

Using the 'Show Field Chooser' icon you can drag and drop filter fields into the Row, Column and Data Fields sections. The filter icon will allow you to filter within the field.



#### 5. Announcements

Announcements will be seen by all members of a community. Clicking on +Add New Announcement will allow you to add a title, event date, published date, and announcement content. Event date will determine when the announcement will be seen by the community members in the Day. Week. Month, All sections -



If announcement is saved with an event date more than a month away, it can be seen in the 'All'

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section

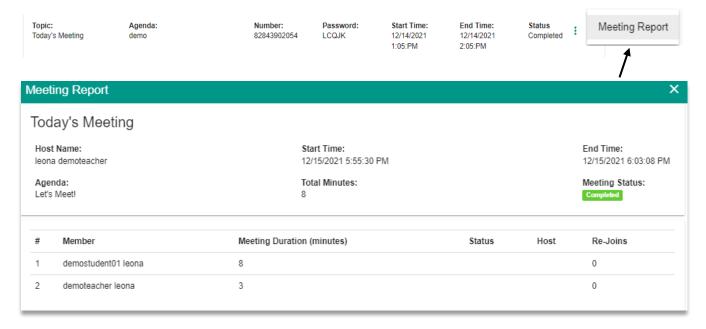


## 6. Meetings

In the Meetings tab, you can create a meeting for all community members to join. Clicking

+ Add New Meeting will allow you to title your meeting, list the start/end time, agenda, and whether you'd like users to be automatically approved when joining. If your district is using a 3<sup>rd</sup> party meeting tool, it'll automatically connect and launch within FocalPoint when the meeting begins.

- Once you have saved the meeting, clicking on the 3-dot menu will allow you to host, edit or delete.
- After the meeting is complete, the 3-dot menu will allow you to view the Meeting Report.



#### 7. Documents

Under Documents, you can upload and organize documents by folders and sub-folders. Clicking

+ Add Root Folder will allow you to name your folder and provide a description. Within each folder, you have options to add sub-folders, edit the folder name/description, delete, and upload. To upload a document, you'll select from your computer.

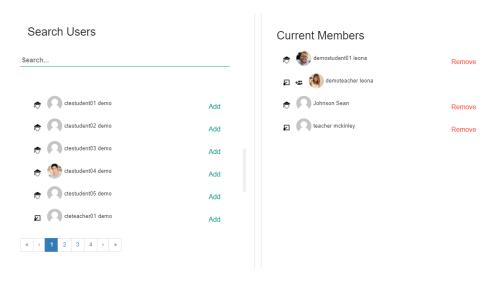




#### 8. Members

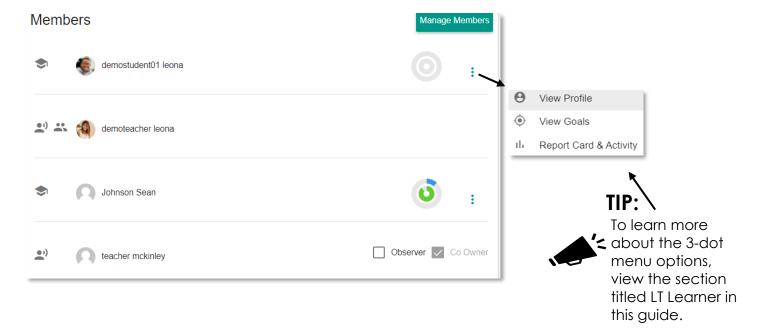
The Members tab will allow you to add/edit members, view a list of all members, view progress circles per student, and navigate to the student *Profile*, *Goals*, and *Report Card & Activity*. Clicking will allow you to search, add, and remove members. To add a member, click 'Add' next to the name under Search Users. To remove a member, click 'Remove' next to the name under Current Members.

While viewing members to add/edit, you'll see two icons: = Students; = Educator/Admin



When looking at the members in your community, you'll see a few icons:

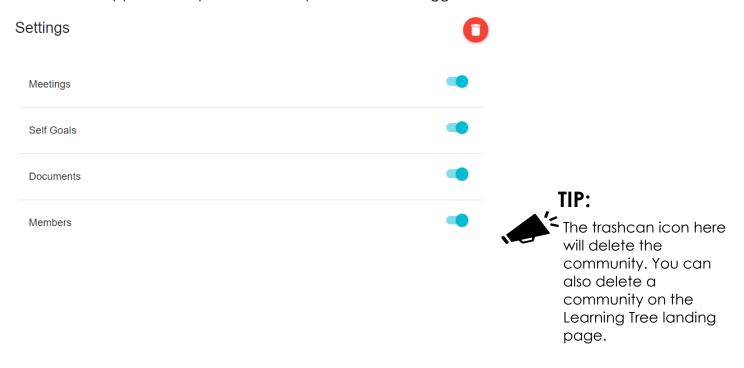
- Student
- 💾: Instructor
- 2 : Instructor & Community Owner
  - Community Owner is the educator who creates the community
- Observer of Co Owner: All added educators are listed as co-owners automatically. With this permission, they have the same right to the community as the community owner. If Observer is also checked on, the educator will only have view-only access to the community.





# 9. Settings

In the Settings tab, you'll be able to turn off/on tabs you have access to in your community. If you turn a feature off, it'll disappear from your community toolbar. If the toggle is blue, it's turned on.



# Course Designer

Course Designer is a permission that can be given to admin and educators. If turned on, users can create courses that can be used in all communities throughout the tenant. To learn more about this feature, click here



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# Data Dashboards

Data Dashboards can be accessed under the Performance tab. Dashboards are customized and dependent on data and district set up. Please note you may not see all dashboards we discuss in this guide. For details on all dashboards, click <a href="here">here</a>



# **Data Dashboard Reporting Toolbar**

At the top of each dashboard/report, you will find a report toolbar. This provides navigation and export features for the dashboards/report. Refresh the report Zoom option Excel 14 100% MHTML (web archive) Will allow you to CSV (comma delimited) Export report Page Navigation Controls: These will navigate back to XML file with report data be accessible when the report is a the prior report or multi-page report, and allow you to data dashboards Data Feed navigate through the pages of the landing page



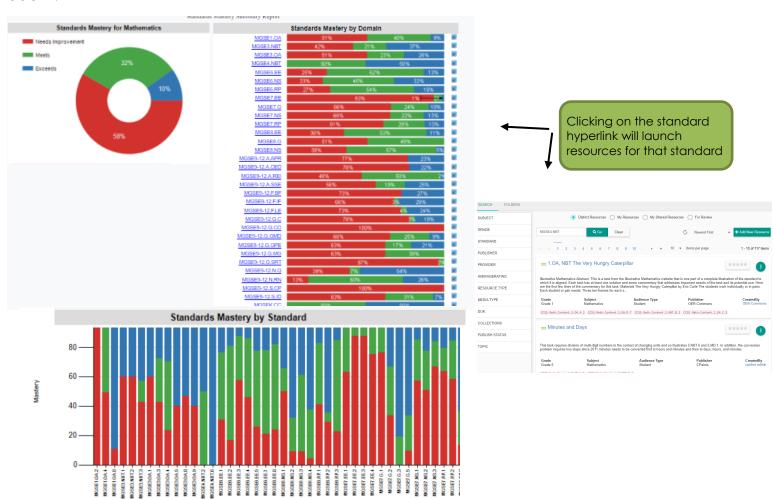
## Data Dashboard Example: Standards Mastery

Let's take a closer look at the *Standards Mastery* dashboard. When drilling down, you will see all data organized by sections. For every section, you will see color-coded student performance by subject (colors and color titles can be customized). Data can be filtered by School, Grade, Students, Gender, Race, ELL and SWO. Clicking on the filter will expand the data accordingly. You can view more data by clicking on a subject hyperlink for one of their sections.



Here, teachers will see color-coded performance by domain and by standard. Selecting the

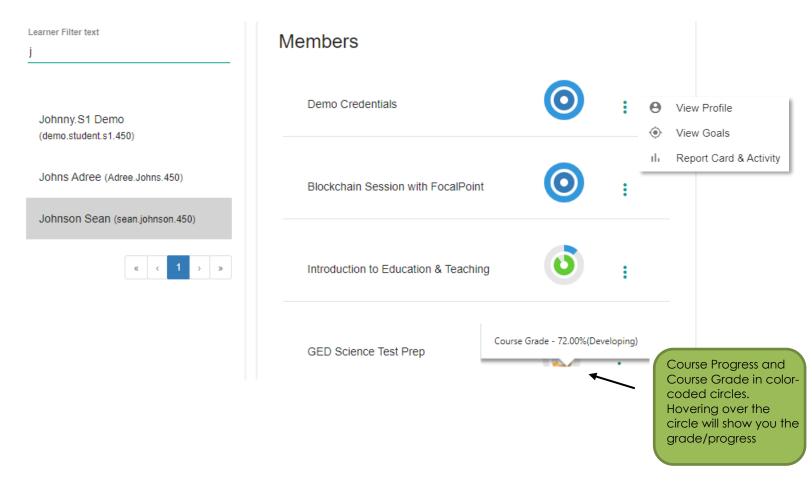
hyperlink standard MGSEG-12.A.CED will bring you to Resources for that standard. Selecting a color on the color-coded performance bar will you bring you to a roster of all students performing in that band. Selecting a student from the roster will bring up all data dashboards for that specific student.





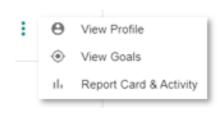
# LT Learners

In LT Learners, you will see all users you have access to throughout all communities. You can search by name to view a specific student. Per student, you can view enrollments along with their color-coded course progress and course grade. The 3-dot menu will bring you to the student's *Profile*, *Goals* and *Report Card & Activity*.



# Viewing A Student's Profile, Goals and Report Card & Activity

In LT Learners and in the Members tab within a community, you'll see a 3-dot menu next to a student or course with the options View Profile, View Goals, Report Card & Activity.





## **Viewing A Student's Profile**

A student's profile will show the student's About Me, Credentials, Portfolio, Career and Notification Preferences.

At the top of the profile, you can view the student's picture, first name, last name, and email. Here, you can impersonate a student. Impersonating the student will allow you to login as the student. Please note anything you do while impersonating a student will be logged as the student.



ABOUT ME PORTFOLIO NOTIFICATION PREFERENCES CREDENTIALS About Me will show features a student has filled out in his profile. Features Strengths include strengths, weaknesses, interests, etc. Clicking + next to the feature will Weakness expand the student's answer. ABOUT ME CREDENTIALS PORTFOLIO NOTIFICATION PREFERENCES Credentials will show all credentials the Capstone Completion student has earned if your district is utilizing Blockchain Credentialing. Student earned this badge by completing the CTE capstone project REFLECTION FROM COMMUNITY SERVICE GHANA + Today I Did This!+ Portfolio will show all portfolio posts a student has created. The + will expand the post. Cambridge Literature Essay Uploaded File: Cambridge Essay (2).docx 👪 CAREER NOTIFICATION PREFERENCES Career will show all career fields the +My Careers student has filled out. The + will expand the career field. My Course Map NOTIFICATION PREFERENCES **Notification Settings** Notification Preferences will show you all notification settings the **♦** Community Notification × Course Notification 🗸 Discussion Notification 🗸 student has chosen. :4: Meeting Notification 🗸 Message Notification 🗸 Reply Notification X

# Viewing A Student's Goals

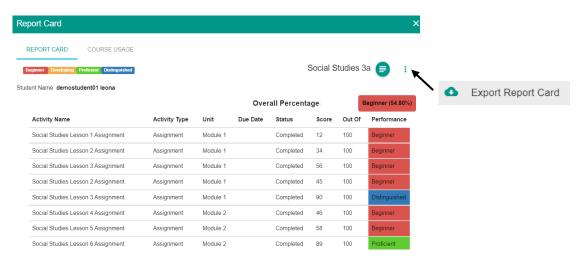


Students have the ability to create goals within their communities. Students can mark goals as completed or pending. To expand the goal, click the +.

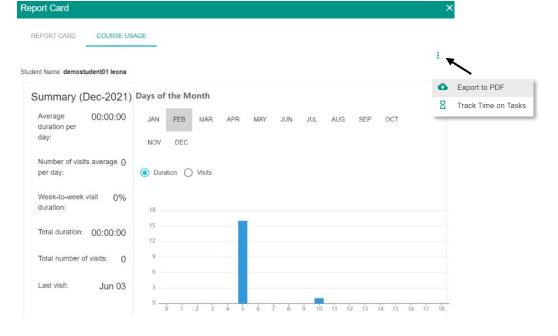


## Viewing A Student's Report Card & Activity

The Report Card will provide activity name, type, status, score, out of %, and performance band. If the teacher has given due dates, these dates will appear here as well. Additionally, the Report card will include the student's overall grade and overall performance band. Keep in mind performance bands and colors are customized.



The Course Usage will provide overall course usage and monthly course usage by duration or # of visits. The overall summary will include avg duration per day, number of visits average per day, week-to-week visit duration, total duration, total number of visits and last visit. The 3-dot menu will allow you to export to PDF or download the Time on Tasks excel. We covered this excel earlier in the guide.



# Resources

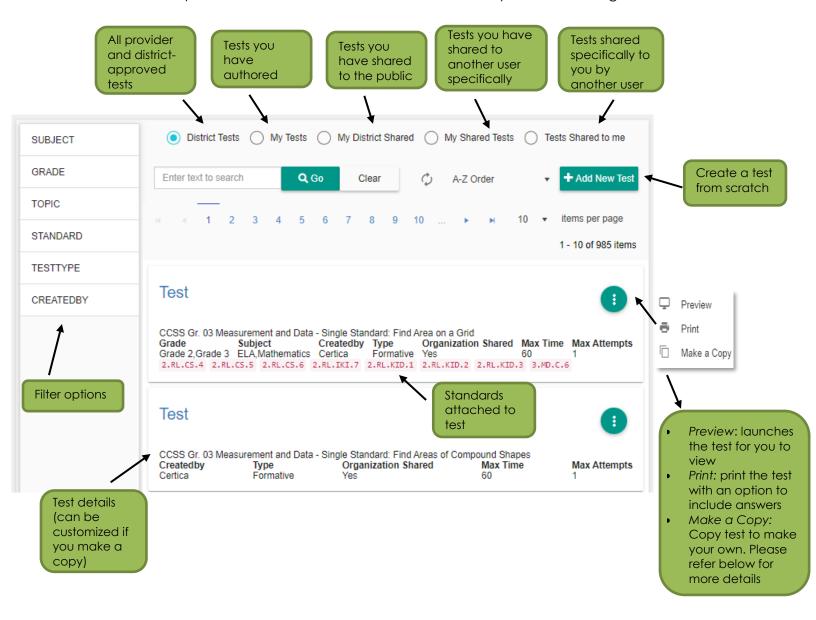


Resources are a repository of all tests, questions and content within FocalPoint. You can view, create and modify resources within each tab.

Please note all resources will remain in these tabs. If you'd like to add them to your community, you'll need to navigate to your community's *Learning* tab and add the resource there.

#### **Tests**

All FocalPoint, district and teacher created tests are housed in this tab. Here, you can view existing tests, create a new test or modify a test. Tests can be filtered by subject, grade, topic, standard, test type and created by. Once you have found a test you want to view, select this icon 3-dot menu icon located on the test box. Options will include printing, previewing and making a copy. When creating a test, questions can be filtered multiple ways, including grade, topic, standard, DOK, difficulty, item type, etc. Once a test is completed, a teacher can add it to a community under Learning Tree.

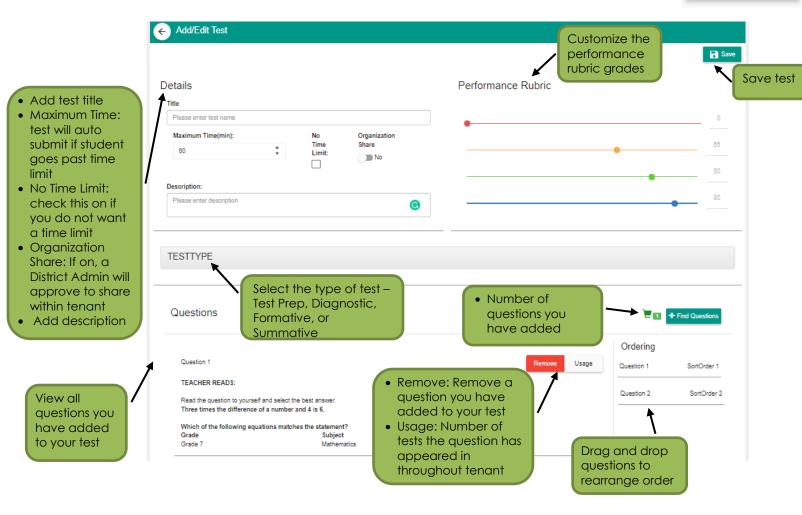




## **Creating a Test**

To create a test, click on the '+Add New Test' Tab located at the top right-hand side of the *Tests* tab. Once you are done creating your test, click 'Save' in the top right-hand side.



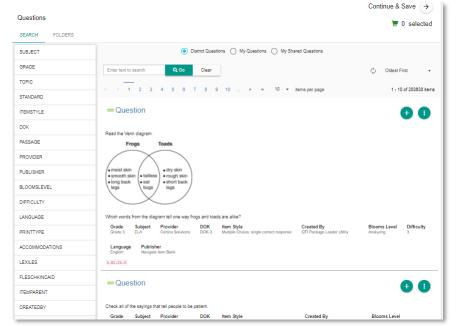


# **Adding Questions to a Test**

To add questions to a test, click on

\*Find Questions\*
under Test type. Here, you can
filter multiple ways and preview
questions by clicking the 3-dot menu
icon inext to each question. The
icon next to each question will allow
you to add to the test. Once you have
selected your question(s), click the

button to navigate back to your test.

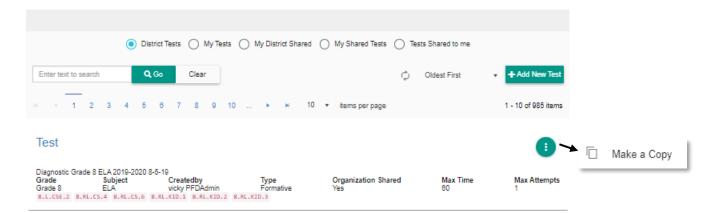




# Modifying (Copying) a Test

To modify an existing test, you'll make a copy of it. Copying the test will allow you to edit the test details, performance rubric, questions, and question order.

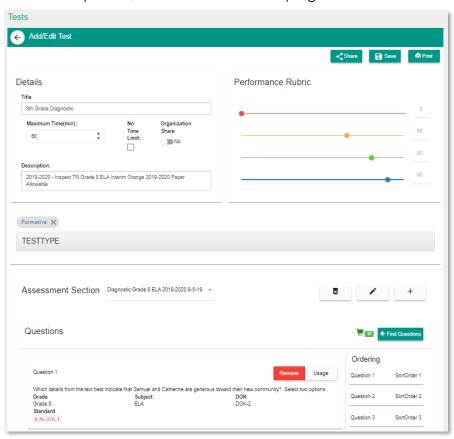
To make a copy, click the 3-dot menu icon in next to the desired test and then choose 'Make a Copy' from the options.



Next, you'll name your new test and save. To edit, you'll find your test in District Tests or My Tests Obistrict Tests My Tests Obistrict Test



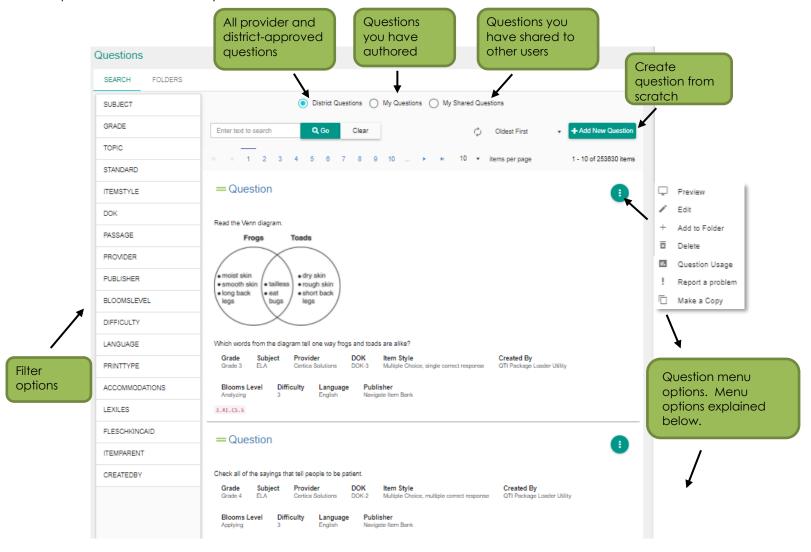
icon next to the test and then from the options.
Follow the above section titled, 'Creating a Test' to review how you can edit the test. Once completed, click 'Save' at the top right.





#### **Questions**

All FocalPoint, district and teacher created questions are housed in this tab. Here, you can view existing questions, create a new question, or modify a question. Questions can be filtered by subject, grade, topic, standard, Item Style, DOK, Lexile, etc.



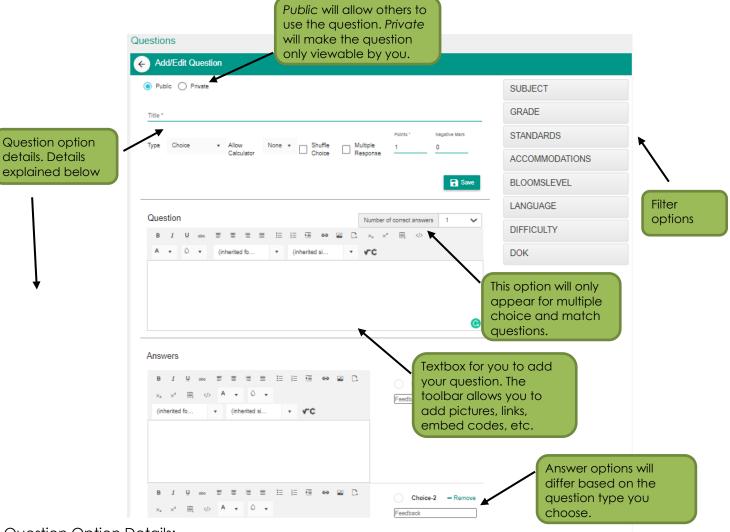
#### Question Menu Options:

- Preview: launches the question for you to view
- Edit: This will allow you to edit the question, answer choices, etc.
  - o Will only appear on questions you created or copied
- Add to Folder: Add to a folder you created or was shared with you. Folders help you
  organize your questions.
- Delete: This will allow you to delete the question from FocalPoint
  - Will only appear for questions you created or copied.
- Question Usage: Number of tests the question has appeared in throughout tenant
- Report a Problem: Report an issue with the question to FocalPoint
- Make a Copy: Copy question to make your own. Please refer below for more details



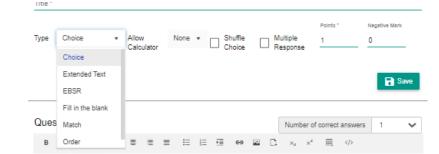
## **Creating a Question**

To create a question, click in located at the top right-hand side of the Questions tab. Once you are done creating your question, click Save.



#### Question Option Details:

- Type: Question type options are Extended Text, EBSR, Fill in the blank, Match, and Order
- Allow Calculator: Scientific, basic or no calculator options
- Shuffle Choice: If turned on, the question answers will be randomized
  - Not available for written response type questions
- Multiple Response: If turned on, the question can have multiple answer options
- Points: The point value you'd like a student to receive for a correct response
- Negative Mark: The point value you'd like to be taken away from student if incorrect answer
  - Leave as 0 if you don't want to include negative marks



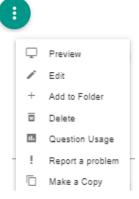


## Modifying (Copying) a Question

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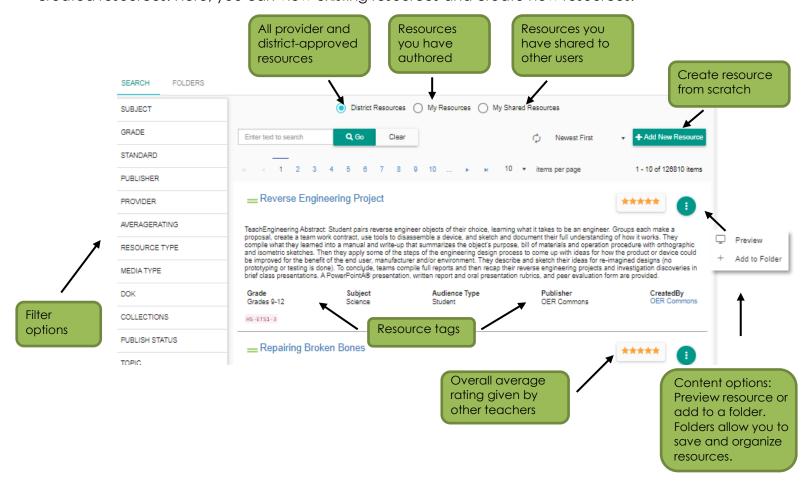
To make a copy, click the 3-dot menu icon next to the desired question and then choose 'Make a Copy' from the options. Next, find your question under 'My Questions' and click the 3-dot menu icon and then 'Edit.'

Editing the new copied question will be the same as editing a new question. Please refer to the above section for more details.



#### Content

The Content tab houses all Open Educational Resources (OERs), district and teacher created resources. Here, you can view existing resources and create new resources.



#### **Add New Resources**

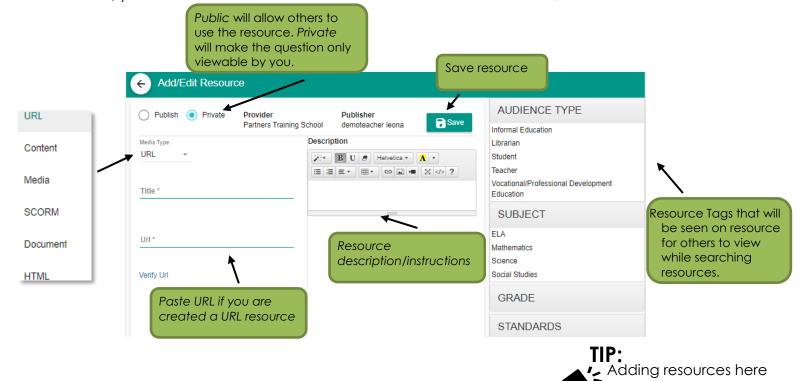


allows you to share to the public and students can view in Resources. Adding

community will only house it within the community.

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To create a new resource, click + Add New Resource in the top right-hand side of the Content tab. Here, you can add external resources and share across the tenant.



## **Folders**

Throughout the Resources tab, you'll see a Folders tab. When you are viewing resources, you can save questions or content in a folder. Folders can be private or shared to others. For each folder, you can save, share to specific users, publish as collection for all to view, or delete.

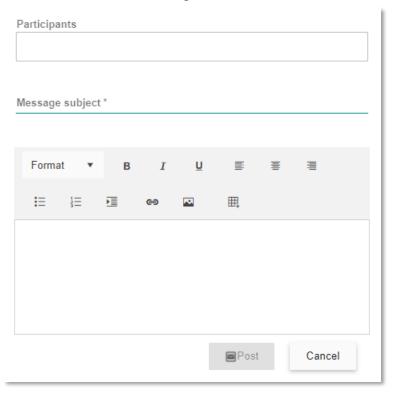




# Messages

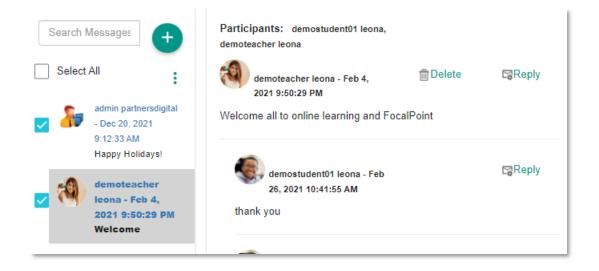
As a teacher, you're able to message any student you have access to, other teachers at your school, and your school admin.

To compose a new message, click the icon. You can search the username and then select from the dropdown box. There is no max for users you can add to your message. Once you are done adding users, type your subject and body of the message. Once you're ready to send, click 'Post' at the bottom right.



On the left side of the Messages tab, you can view all sent and received messages. Clicking anywhere on the message tab will allow you to view the message, view replies, and reply. You can delete a message by opening the message and clicking 'Delete.'

You can check on multiple messages and then select the 3-dot menu icon \* to mark all as read or unread.



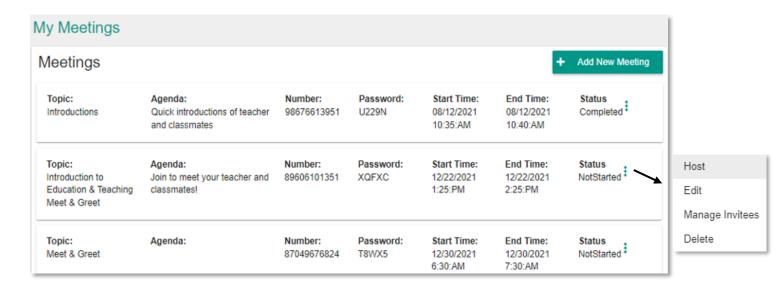


# Meetings

In the Meetings tab, you'll see a complete list of all future and completed meetings throughout your communities. You can host, edit, and pull a meeting report from here by clicking the 3-dot menu icon in next to the meeting details.

You can also add meetings here by click on 'Add New Meeting' in the upper-righthand side.

Once you have provided meeting details and saved, click on the 3-dot menu icon the meeting to Manage Invitees. Here, you can add users throughout all communities.



# Help

The *Help* tab will launch you to our help center. The direct link for Learning Tree resources can be found <u>here</u>.