

USING AN XBOX OR PLAYSTATION FOR SCHOOL WORK



Using an Xbox or PlayStation to access the internet for school work:

XBOX ONE & XBOX SERIES X/S

The Xbox consoles each have access to Microsoft Edge - the web browser that comes pre installed as part of the Xbox user experience. This can be used to access Google Classroom (or another online education service approved by your child's school).

1. Plug a wired keyboard into your Xbox One, Xbox Series X or Xbox Series S via one of the USB ports on the front or back.
2. Press the Xbox button top-centre of a game controller and head to "My games & apps" in the side menu.
3. Click on "See all", scroll down to "Apps" and you will see Microsoft Edge in the icons on the right-hand side. Open it.
4. Type what you are looking for into the URL bar at the top (classroom.google.com, Zoom, Microsoft Teams) and log in as you would on a PC using your school Gmail account or other log in.
5. You can either use an Xbox controller to move the cursor or a separate USB mouse plugged into one of the other ports.

PS4 & PS5

The PlayStation 4 has its own web browser that is easy to find on the PlayStation 4 (in the content menu as an icon with WWW written on it). However, it's currently a bit trickier on PS5, as there is no way to open the browser natively.

Instead, you can open the System Settings, then the User Guide. This will open up an online user manual inside a web browser page so you only have to change the URL at the top. Otherwise, the rest of the steps are the same.

1. Plug a wired keyboard and/or mouse into the USB ports on the PS4 or PS5 - each console should recognise them.
2. Type what you are looking for into the URL bar at the top (classroom.google.com, Zoom, Microsoft Teams) and log in as you would on a PC using your school Gmail account or other log in.

Note - If you are using Microsoft Teams or Zoom on your device, as your Xbox/PlayStation does not have a built in camera you will be able to see the host however they will not be able to see you. To ensure you can hear and be heard, use your normal gaming headset.