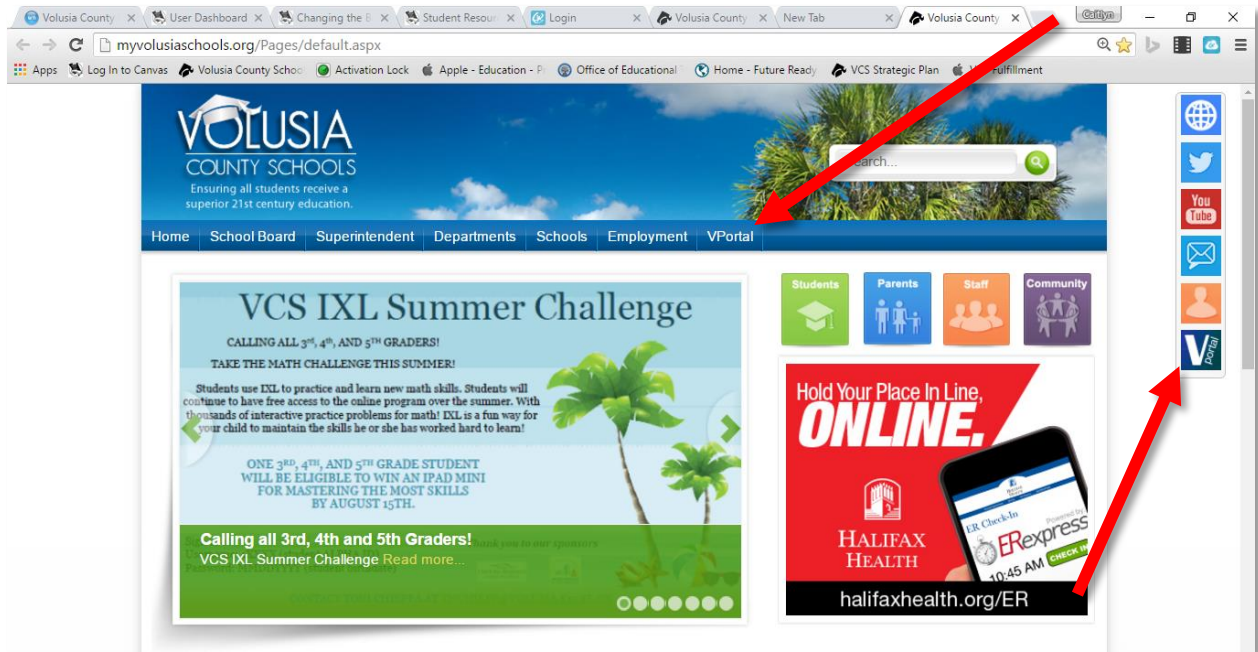
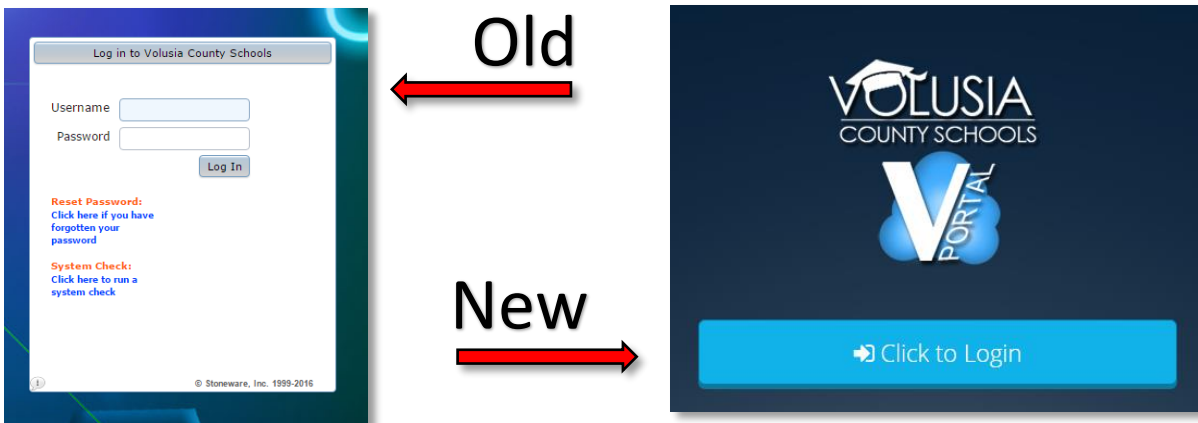


Updated VPortal access for all VCS staff and students

Technology Services & Innovation and Instructional Services are excited to announce that VPortal has received a facelift and feature updates over the summer. Accessing VPortal will remain the same through the Volusia County Schools Homepage.



One of the most exciting improvements is apparent on the actual log-in screen. In the 'old' VPortal, students and staff had to enter their credentials each time they wished to enter VPortal for use, whether at school or home. The updated VPortal log-in screen prompts students and staff to simply 'Click to Login'. While at school and on the VCS network, clicking the 'Click to Login' button will automatically sign students and staff in*. Fast log-ins equal more time for instruction and access to digital resources.



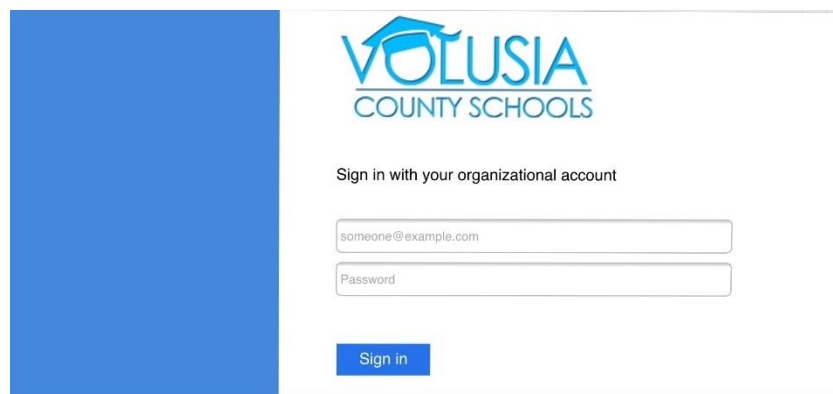
***Students and staff MUST be logged in to their computer with their credentials.**

Logging in to VPortal at home or off of the VCS network

When a student or staff member accesses VPortal by clicking on the ‘Click to Login’ button on the sign-in screen they’ll be redirected to their authentication page. This additional step is critical to ensure secure access to your digital resources when opening outside of the VCS district network.

On this page, both students and staff members will need to enter their entire email address in the Username field and their password in the Password field.

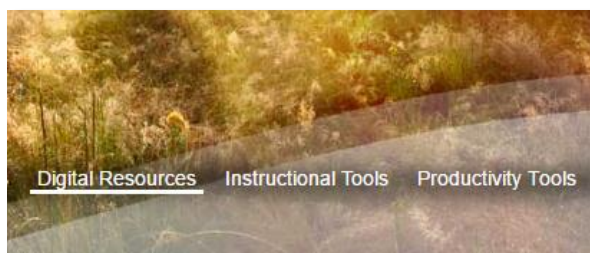
- Students email username: 1abcd@vcs2go.net (**TIP:** be sure to add the @vcs2go.net after your alpha code)
- Staff members email username: VCScredentials@volusia.k12.fl.us or machetts@volusia.k12.fl.us



Where did my menu’s go?

Previously, tiles were sorted into menus. These same categories and resources are available for students and staff but are now compiled in a mobile folder view.

Previous VPortal Experience:



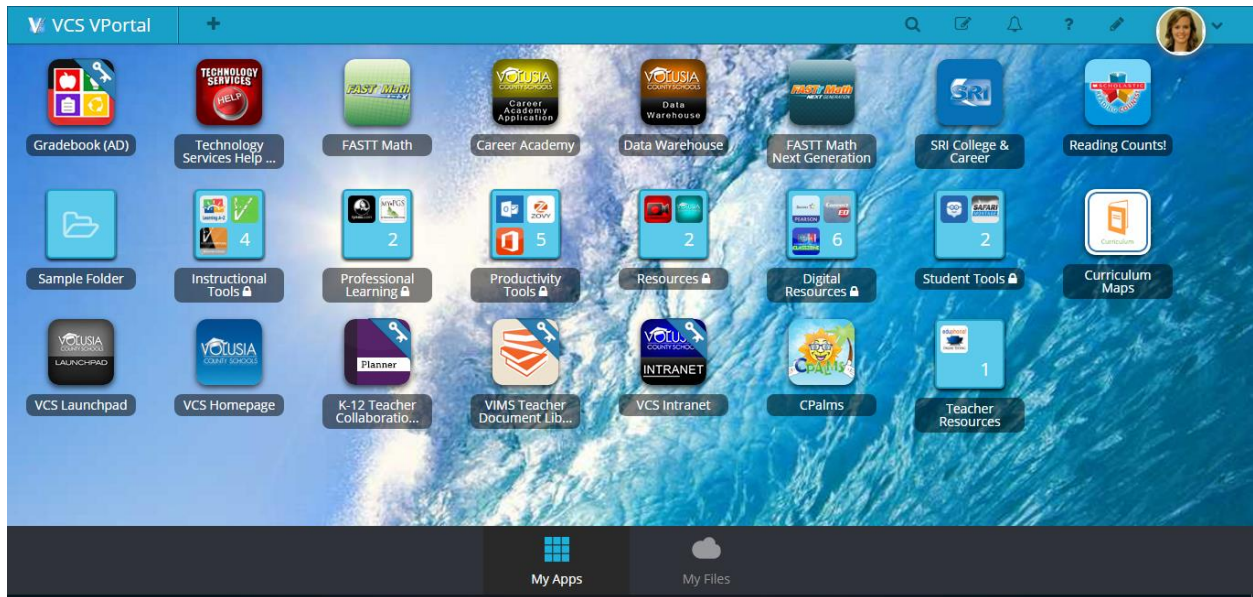
Updated VPortal Experience:



Students and staff can select a folder to view the nested resources available. Clicking on any of the tile options will allow access to a resource.

Wow, my apps fit on one page now!

Yes! Previously in VPortal students and staff had to switch between multiple menu screens to locate their resource. Many staff members requested the ability to ‘move’ all favorite tiles to the first screen. This was impossible to do in the old VPortal. Now, students and staff have all of their resources in front of them immediately after logging in.

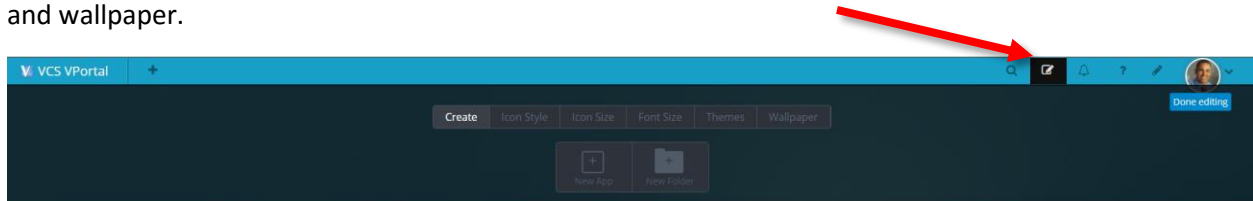


I’m grateful I have all of my tiles in front of me, but there are so many now. Can I organize them to my liking?

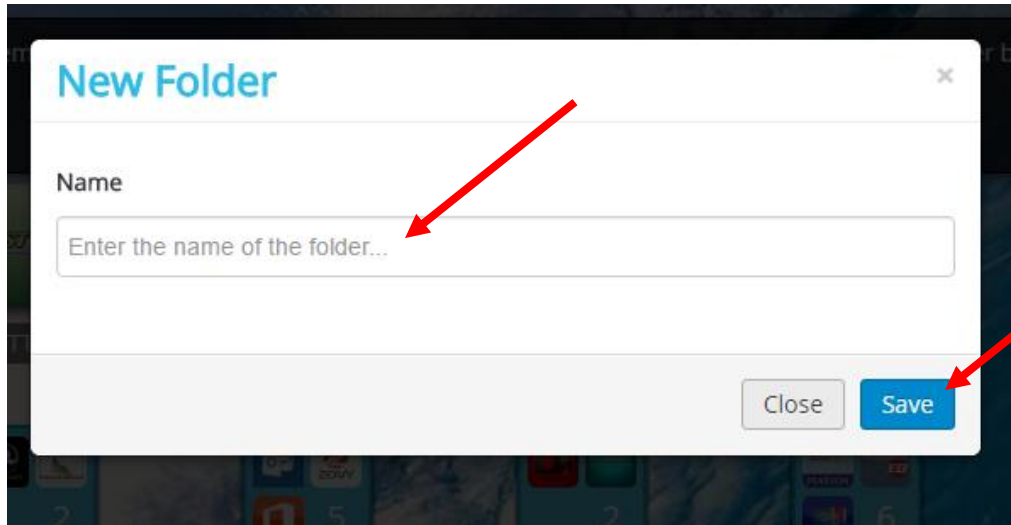
Yes! Use the Edit Mode option, found on the right side of the top navigation bar, to make changes to the formatting of your VPortal homepage.

- Click 

Edit Mode allows students and staff the ability to add an app, create a personal folder or organize apps into specific folders. Students and staff can also adjust their icon style & font size as well as their theme and wallpaper.

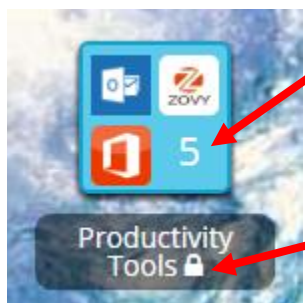


Select “Create” to create your own app and/or folder to organize your apps. Name your personal folder(s) to help organize any apps you create or have in place on your VPortal homepage already.



While in Edit Mode, if you’d like to drag apps into a folder, simply click-hold-and drag an app over the named folder and watch as it gets pulled in. Additionally, you can combine two apps into a folder by dragging one over the other. *This feature borrows the same behavior students and staff members may be familiar with when using their smartphones or tablets.*

You’ll notice that a small number is displayed alerting you to the number of apps located in a specific folder. The “Productivity Tools” folder below currently has 5 apps displayed within that category.



****TIP:** Folders that display a white ‘lock’ icon after its name cannot have apps placed in or removed from them. We are working with the vendor to unlock these folders to allow students and staff the utmost customization options for their VPortal.

Once you’ve finished editing your VPortal homepage dashboard, simply click on the ‘Done Editing’ button located near your profile picture.

