Using REMIND!

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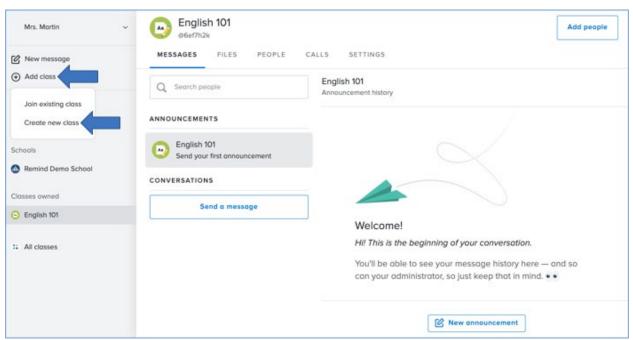
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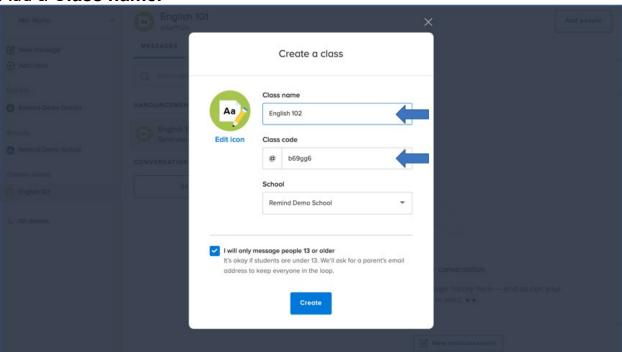
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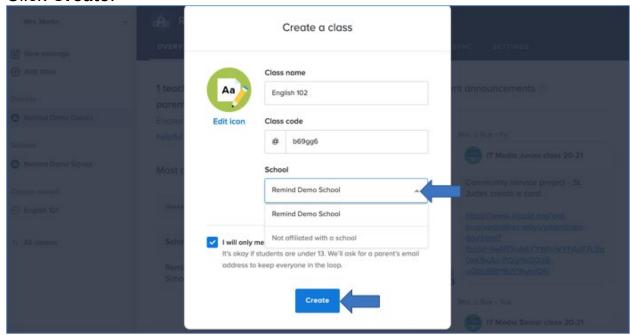


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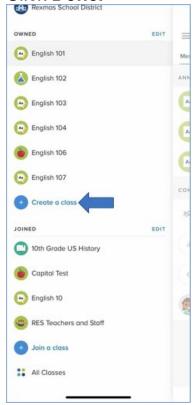
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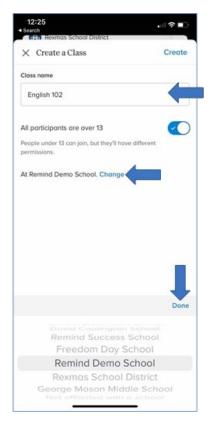
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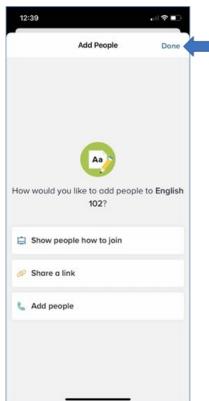
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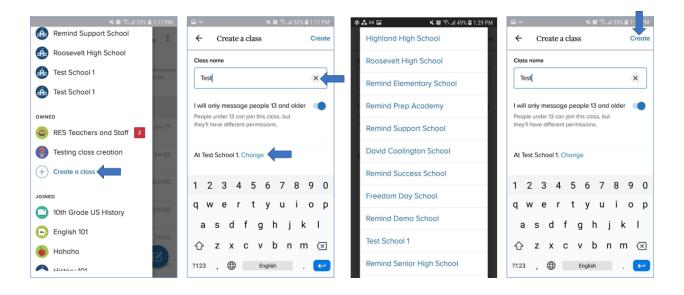




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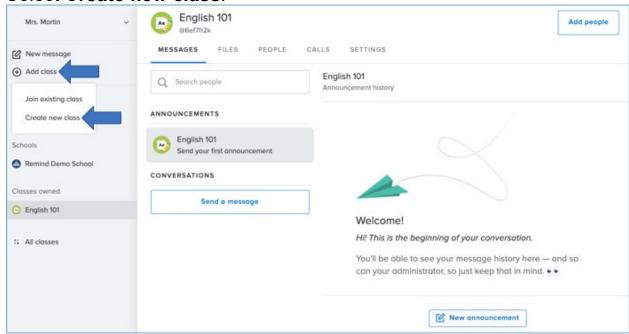
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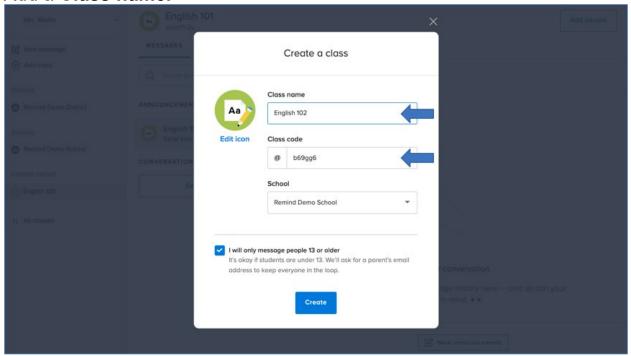
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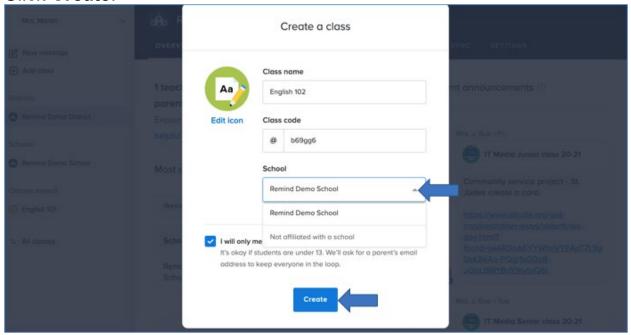


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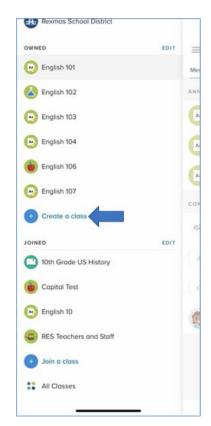


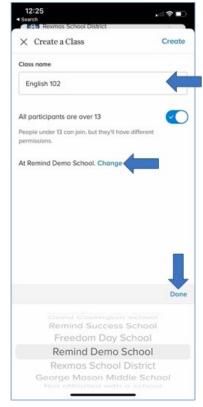
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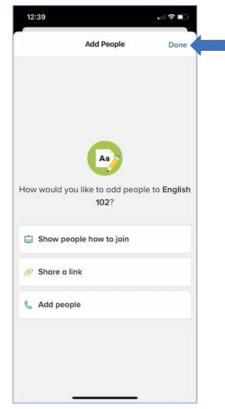
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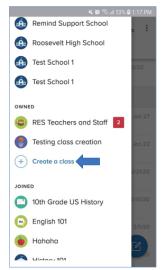




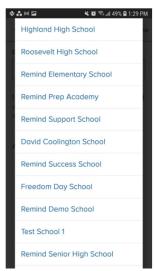


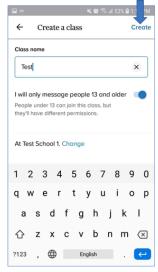
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Connecting an Existing REMIND Account to Official MCS REMIND Plan

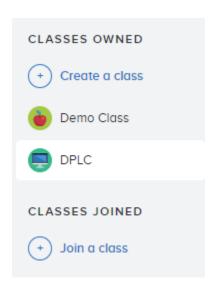
- Some teachers already have the FREE Remind account privileges. Moving to the new REMIND Plan account will not affect the existing account or flow of communication if the teacher makes sure the account is tied to his/her official MCS email account.
- 2. In order to do this, he/she will need to follow the following steps.
- 3. In order to make sure the account is connected with an official Monroe City School, they

will need to open the current account.

4. Select the class that the teacher wishes to connect to MCS officially. Down the left side,

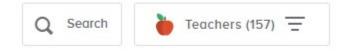
the teacher will see a list of "Classes Owned" and "Classes Joined". The teacher can only

select and change settings in a "Classes Owned" item.

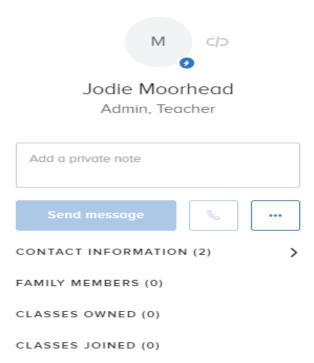


5. Once the class is selected, the teacher will see the menu bar across the top of the account site.

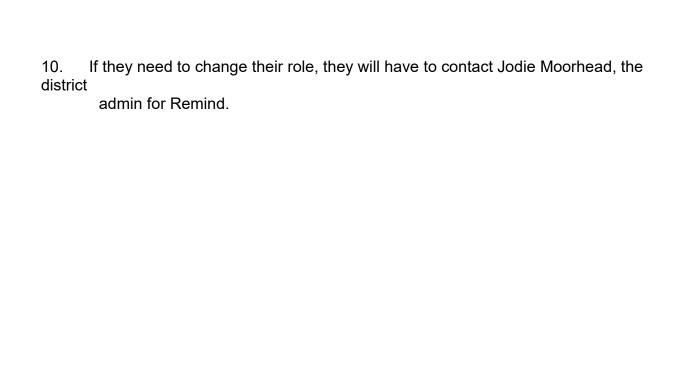
- 6. The teacher will choose "People".
- 7. They will filter the list to "Teachers" and populate the list.



8. They will find their name on the list and select it. A menu will pop up on the right side of the page.

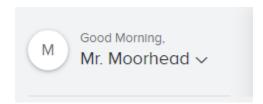


9. The teacher will select "Contact Information" and make sure that at least one of the email addresses is the official MCS email account, which is also the Google account name.



Updating Existing Tools in the REMIND Program

- 1. There are many tools and features that the teachers can use within the REMIND program.
- 2. In order to access these features they will log in to the Remind Application.
- 3. In the top left corner, the teacher will see something similar to...

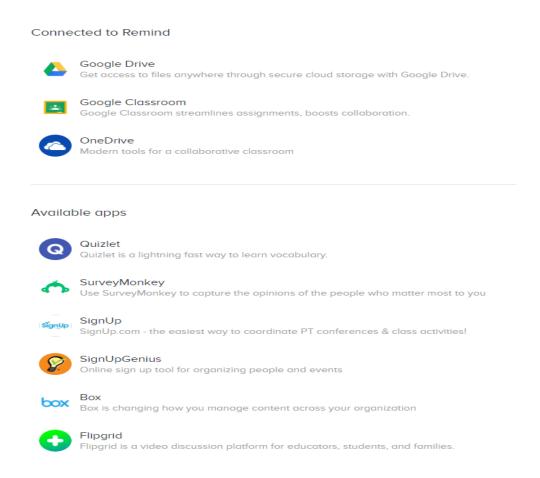


- 4. Click the down arrow next to the name.
- 5. This will display the following Menu for the teacher:
 - Account settings

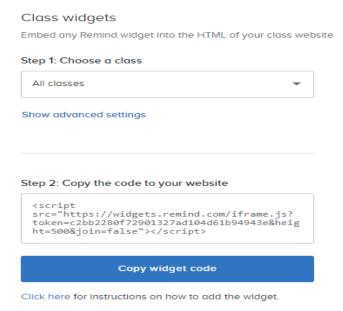
 Help center

 Share Remind
 - Get the Remind app
 - → Log out
- 6. Click on "Account Settings" and the "Profile".
- 7. Under account settings, the teacher can change the password. All schools are automatically enrolled in REMIND, so they cannot add a school.

- 8. Under "Notification Preferences", the teacher will be able to decide how they will get REMIND notifications: email, cell (if number is associated), desktop, or through the REMIND app.
- 9. Under the "App Integrations", the teacher can select which applications that REMIND supports to integrate fully within REMIND. (See next page for menu sample)



10. The "Widget" tab allows the teacher to copy the HTML code and paste it onto their OnCourse Teacher page, too!



Select the Class

Copy this text code and paste onto the OnCourse teacher page using the "Paste Code" feature!

There is a separate instruction sheet!

NOTE: When the widget is applied to the teacher page, all comments and messages could/will be displayed

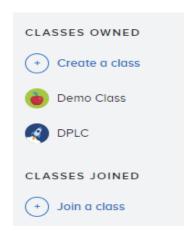
- 11. Documentation is the name of the game! In REMIND, they can access "Message History" and export PDFs of any and all communication, lists of participants, etc.
- 12. You can also lists of archived (previously used) classes and blocked users.

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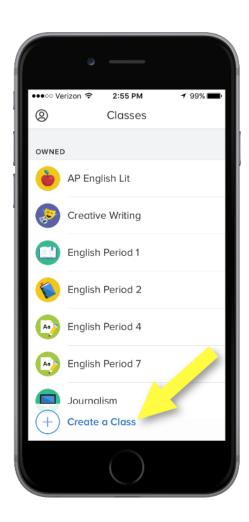
- 1. Open the website at www.remind.com and log in using your MCS credentials.
- 2. On the left hand side-bar, you will see "Classes Owned".



- 3. Under "Classes Owned", you will select "+ Create a Class".
- 4. You will give the class a name and you can create a code that will be easy to recognize. The code is what will be shared with students and/or parents to allow them to enroll in the class.
- 5. Select the appropriate school to make sure that is affiliated with the official MCS accounts.
- 6. Click the blue "Create" button and you are ready to go! Share the code with the students/parents of that class.

Creating a Class on the Remind App

To add a class in the app, click the classes tab, you can then click Create a class at the bottom of your screen next to Classes Owned. There, you will be able to choose your class name and code.

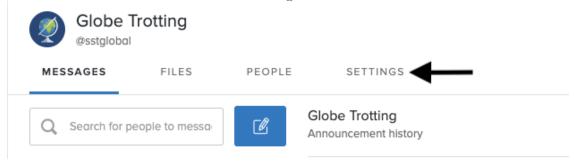


Link a Class to a School

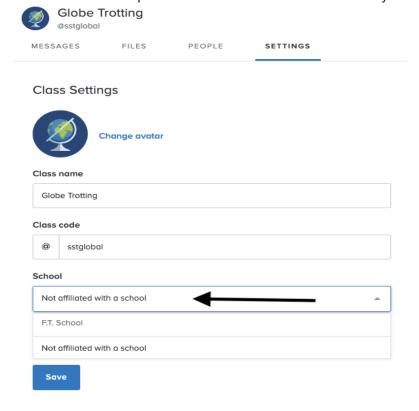
If your school is part of a Remind plan, you'll want to make sure your classes are linked to your school to access upgraded features.

On the web

1. Select the class and click on the Settings tab.

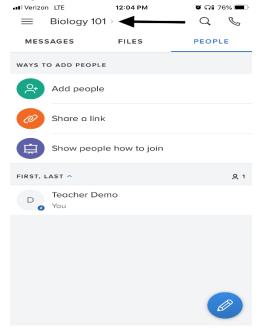


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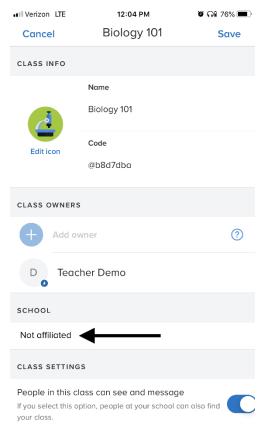


In the app

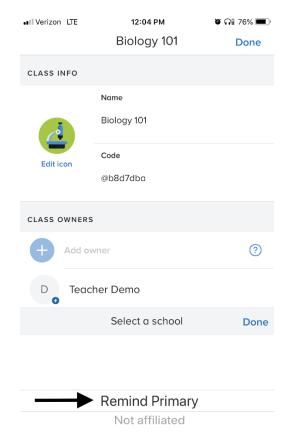
1. Click on the class name to access class settings.



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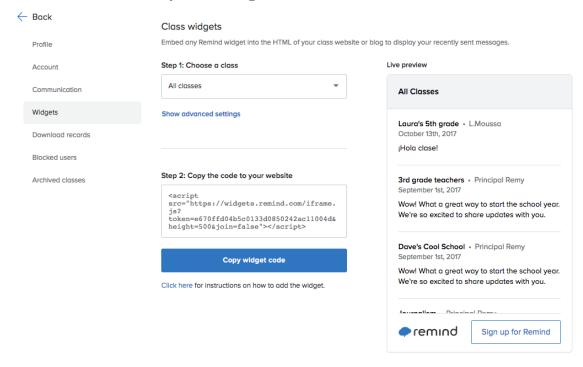


3. Choose your school from the drop down list.



Set Up a Widget for Class Announcements

We have created a widget that you can add to your class website to promote your Remind class and the announcements you send. To view the widgets, click your name in the upper left then **Account**. Lastly, click **Widgets** on the left.



You'll have options for regular widget, Google Sites, and Wix. You will need to access the HTML of your website.

The widget is compatible with these sites but this is *not* an exhaustive list:

Google Sites - old version
Wix
Wikispaces
Wordpress.org - need an HTML plug in first
Canvas - Instructions on how to add HTML to a ePortfolio
Weebly
Schoolwires.com
Yola
SchoolRack
Edline
Eschool
Moodle - need to add a Plugin
LiveBinder
Tumblr

The widget is not compatible with these sites:

Wordpress.com Google Sites - Current Version Edmodo Schoology School Loop

Tips for Driving Engagement with Remind

The **Statistics** tab in your Remind admin dashboard provides you with usage data to monitor the engagement of your school over time, viewing the data by day, week, or month. You can also see how your community is interacting with Remind most: app, web, text, or email. Administrators, teachers, and parents can use Remind to become more effective engagement drivers in their community.

<u>Administrators</u>

- Send Social Emotional Learning messages to parents
- Send notifications about schedule changes, reminders about form completion dates, and other district wide events

Teachers

- Send one class announcement a week with an overview of the week's assignments
- Send "You Did Good!" messages to students and parents to highlight outstanding work and build rapport with parents and students

Parental Engagement

- Send messages to drive attendance to PTO events and to drive participation in school fundraisers. Ask Elementary teachers to identify a Remind classroom parent to send class announcements to parents
- Include a newsletter as a file/PDF or as a Google Drive file through your connected account
- Have teachers hang posters on their door with their class code during Back to School Night or first day of school to encourage parents to join via 81010