

Just like in a physical classroom, there are signs that a student in an online or hybrid classroom is struggling and needs support.

What to watch for to identify a struggling student

- **Lack** of participation in discussions and activities
- **Change** in engagement and activity levels
- More than 1 **missing** activity
- Completing all work due in **one sitting**, instead of engaging frequently
- Students who turn work in at the **last minute** consistently
- Excessive messages saying work will be **late**
- **Clues** in communication, like negative comments about self or their environment, their ability to do the work, or lack of discussion or interest in communicating with you

Tips for engaging and monitoring students

- Make your meeting times interesting and **active**
- **Pull** students into activities and get them involved
- Offer **multiple ways** of **working** with your content, like writing, video, art
- Use **multiple types** of **activities** including discussion boards, videos, group work, polls, games and more
- Setup check in **surveys** where students have to reflect and share their thoughts on how they are doing
- **Reach out** to students individually throughout the week by email
- Schedule periodic individual **meetings** via Google Meet
- Build **time management** skills into your course, including recommendations to increase focus and attention and getting work done



Skills students may need help with

- Managing** emotion/motivation
- Building** social skills
- Feeling** connected and valued
- Managing **time** and completing assignments

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