On the Cpsk12.org district home page, click on **Families**.

On the left side, click on **ParentLink/Blackboard Messaging**.
From here you have many options. There are instructions & links to access the Parent Portal, lookup username, & reset your password. Information on the mobile app, and signing up as a community member to get alerts from the District are all on this page.

**ParentLink/Blackboard Messaging**

Columbia Public Schools' messaging system allows parents and guardians to receive school messages via phone, text, e-mail and mobile app.

**Guardians**

Guardians automatically have a user ID and password created upon enrolling a child in Columbia Public Schools. To access the ParentLink/Blackboard messaging system you must first log into the CPS Families Portal. If you have never accessed the CPS Families Portal or have forgotten your username choose the username lookup link. To reset your CPS Families Portal password, choose the reset password link.

**CPS Families Portal username lookup**

**CPS Families Portal reset password**

Contact information for the CPS messaging system is managed by the district's student information system. Contact information can be updated by contacting your child's school registrar. Logging in to the ParentLink/Blackboard messaging system allows parents to see sent messages, attendance messages, lunch balance communications and more.

**Community Members**

Community members, who are not parents/guardians, can also create a ParentLink/Blackboard account by visiting the ParentLink/Blackboard login page and clicking on the signup button. Sign up to receive e-mail and text message updates from Columbia Public Schools.

**Register as a member of the community**

**Mobile App**

Columbia Public Schools also has a free mobile application that can be downloaded to a smart device to access school and school district information. You can use your user ID and password to personalize your mobile app settings. ParentLink/Blackboard messages are also delivered directly to the mobile app.

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