

<https://www.figma.com/education/>

1. **FigJam:** A versatile whiteboard tool that surpasses traditional options like Google Jamboard. FigJam offers an infinite canvas, the ability to embed and play videos, and interactive features like stamps and comments. It's great for brainstorming and collaborative activities in the classroom. Jamboard going away Dec 31 2024
2. To make FigJam free for teachers and students, simply create a Figma account using your school email address and verify your education status to access the Figma Education plan, which grants full access to FigJam at no cost; this includes creating an "Education Team" to collaborate with your students within the platform.
 1. Amazing Templates
 2. Canvas is almost infinitely scalable
 3. Can add hyperlinks and embed videos (*Not available in Jamboard*)
 4. When a student adds a sticky note it displays the student's name (*Not available in Jamboard*)
 5. Has a lock feature that stops students from wiping everything out (*Not available in Jamboard*)
 6. 100% free for teachers and students
 7. Color Dropper
 8. Easily Connect shapes
 9. Can crop and edit images
 10. Sections feature allows you to split up the screen and rename each section
 11. Link to Fig Jam could be added to Google Classroom but students still have to log in with Google which stops them from anonymously posting
 12. Spotlight Tool forces students to track your work
 13. Stamp Tool or Emote Tool for quick student feedback
 14. Can add Widgets and Plugins

Fig Jam 6 Minute Video Tutorial

<https://youtu.be/KoDAbHVkXvs?t=140>

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Fig Jam 30 Minute Video Tutorial

Training Video 30 Minutes

How to Get a FigJam Educational Account

Eligibility: The educational version is free for verified educators and students at accredited institutions.

Step-by-Step Guide to Get an Account:

1. **Visit the FigJam Education Page:** Go to FigJam for Education.
 2. **Sign Up or Log In:** Use your school email to create or log in to your FigJam account.
 3. **Provide Verification:**

 - If using a school email, it may auto-verify.
 - If not, upload proof of academic status (e.g., student/teacher ID or official document).

 4. **Approval:** Once verified, you'll gain access to the Educational Version.
 5. **Start Exploring:** Begin using FigJam with all its features tailored for educational purposes.
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Features of FigJam Educational Version

1. Unlimited Boards

- **Details:** Create and maintain as many boards as needed for projects, classes, and collaborations.
- **How to Use:**

 1. Log in to your FigJam account.
 2. Click “+ **New Board**” from the dashboard.
 3. Name the board and customize it with sticky notes, shapes, and drawings.
 4. Use boards for brainstorming, lesson plans, or project tracking.

2. Education-Specific Templates

- **Details:** Includes templates for lesson planning, group projects, and brainstorming.
 - **How to Use:**
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1. Open a board.
 2. Click “**Templates**” on the toolbar.
 3. Browse the library and select a template that fits your needs.
 4. Modify the template by adding or editing text, shapes, and colors.
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3. Advanced Collaboration Tools

- **Details:** Designed for group activities, real-time collaboration, and classroom interaction.
 - **Features:** Sticky notes, emoji reactions, live cursor tracking, timers, and group voting.
 - **How to Use:**
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1. Share your board link using the “**Share**” button (top-right corner).
 2. Set permissions (e.g., **View**, **Comment**, or **Edit**).
 3. Use tools:
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- **Sticky Notes:** Add notes for ideas or tasks.
 - **Voting:** Click on the voting tool to gather opinions.
 - **Timers:** Set a timer to keep group activities focused.
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4. Customization Options

- **Details:** Personalize boards with stickers, fonts, and educational graphics.
 - **How to Use:**
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1. Use the “**Insert**” menu to add stickers or graphics.
 2. Customize board elements with colors, shapes, and text.
 3. Save commonly used layouts as **Custom Templates** for repeated use.
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5. Google Classroom Integration

- **Details:** Seamlessly integrate FigJam with Google Classroom for managing assignments and sharing boards.

- **How to Use:**

1. Link FigJam to your Google account in **Settings > Integrations**.
 2. Create a board and export or share it as an assignment.
 3. Embed FigJam boards into Classroom posts for easy access.
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6. Unlimited Storage

- **Details:** Store all boards and files without worrying about space.

- **How to Use:**

- Save boards automatically to your FigJam account.
 - Archive completed projects to keep your workspace organized.
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7. Priority Support for Educators

- **Details:** Get access to training materials and priority technical support.

- **How to Access:**

1. Visit FigJam's **Help Center** for tutorials and guides.
 2. Contact support via your dashboard for issues or assistance.
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8. Export and Sharing Options

- **Details:** Export boards as PDFs/PNGs or share interactive links.

- **How to Use:**

1. Click **“Export”** in the top-right corner of a board.
 2. Choose your format (PDF/PNG).
 3. Share links with collaborators using the **“Share”** button.
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9. Activity Tracking

- **Details:** Track contributions and engagement on group boards.

- **How to Use:**

- Use live cursors to see who's working on what in real-time.
 - Review board edits through FigJam's activity log.
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10. Group Voting and Polling

- **Details:** Collect feedback or make decisions collaboratively.

- **How to Use:**

1. Enable the **Voting** tool on your board.
 2. Each participant can cast their votes on sticky notes or other elements.
 3. View results to decide the next steps.
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