





INTRODUCTION



Education has been changing in the last years, technology has been disrupting a lot of industries and education is not the exception, now we can take education to more places in less time to more people, there are now high quality educational resources to improve people's opportunities. There are a great number of things that we can do with technology to improve education.

PROBLEM

The problem I want to solve revolves around having a unified system that not only allow a school to work better, by using a platform that helps students, teachers and faculty to work on their own tasks, but also to gather information for future data analysis.

Many schools use blackboard or similar platforms, this are very complex and unfriendly softwares, in some cases they are outdated or simply not well designed.

SOLUTION

I will be designing a platform that faculty and students can use, where they can transform and improve education.

This software will have different tool for their different users, and will use Business Intelligence, this means that we are going to enable access to and analysis of information to improve and optimize decisions and performance.

STAKEHOLDERS - COMPETITION



Our stakeholder would be any school or a large scale educational institution that would be in charge of implementing this in the public or private school system.

This are examples of other administration softwares:

-Gibbon

-Fedena

-SchoolTool

-TS school

-Ascend SMS

-School Time

INTERACTIVE MEDIUM



This platform is designed for a computer experience, it would be used by administrators, faculty and students meaning that people would use it on their computer, doing a mobile experience could be a future step.

I focused mainly in the user experience, but it was important to keep in mind the information architecture to support usability and findability.

CHALLENGES

- -Be able to create a user friendly but yet complex platform
- -Make sure we are satisfying all the needs our future users will have
- -Be able to gather all the information needed to be sure I am

addressing the problem correctly.



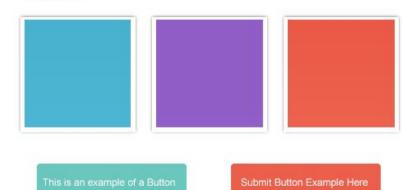
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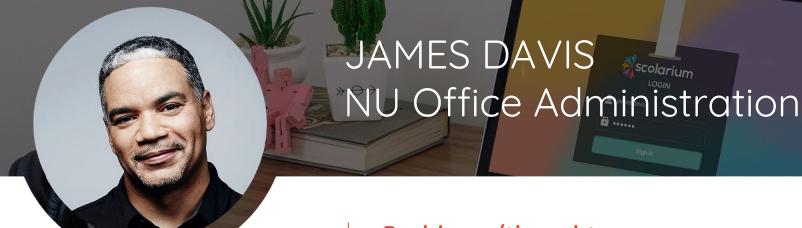
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Adjectives

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Age: 42

Location: Boston

About: Bachelor's in

Business, been working in his Current job for the past 11 years

Problems/thoughts:

- -Works with many people in school
- -Has to work with different softwares
- -Have had many issues around the variety of softwares: navigation, sync options.
- -Would like an option that unifies all tools.



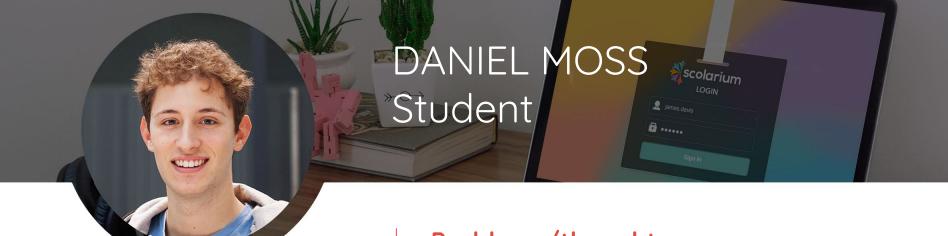
Age: 42

Location: Boston

About: Masters in

US History, school teacher

- -Is mandatory to use school platform
- -She doesn't like it, nor her students
- She thinks is a great tool but has a lot of defects.
- -She could use a software to make her job easier, and if used correctly be a better professor.
- -Thinks technology can be challenging but with good attitude and a good tutorial everything can be learned.



Age: 16

Location: Boston

About: 11th grade student

Problems/thoughts:

- -Is mandatory to use school platform
- -He thinks is very unfriendly
- -He uses a variety of useful apps and tech tools, he thinks school should take advantage of them.

Scenario 1

James has a very busy schedule, has many windows open on his computer because he is always multitasking, between faculty paperwork, checking his email, going to meetings, filling forms, among others.

James arrives at the office, the first thing he does is check his email to see if something important came up, he has his inbox on his dashboard because is one of the main tools he uses, after reading his emails, he checks his calendar to see what tasks he has for the day, so he clicks on the yellow circle for the short cut for his calendar window..

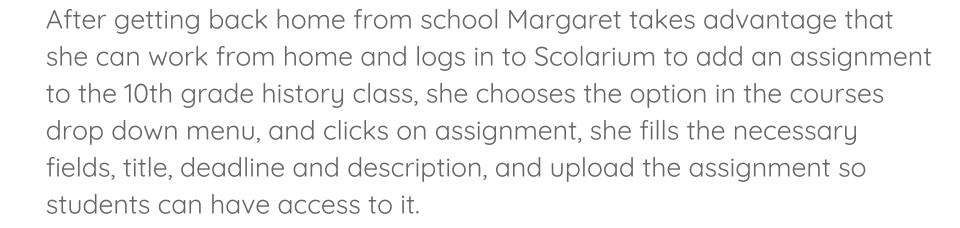
His most urgent task is to finish up some paperwork regarding transcripts of 1st and 2nd grade, and fill up a Google Sheet, and last he needs to give access to Scholarium to a new substitute teacher that was just hired.

Scenario 2

Daniel logs in, checks his email and find a reminder about the chemistry assignment that he hasn't submitted yet.

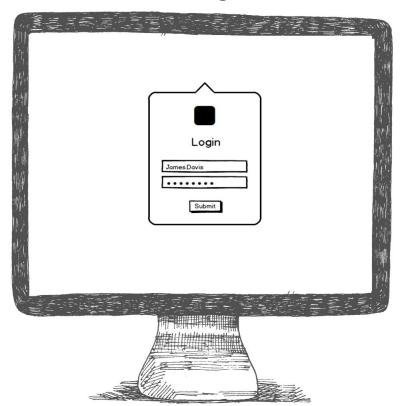
He goes to the course section, where he does a little recap of the class, after this he watches a video that the teacher shared, after finishing it he feels prepared to do the assignment and submits it, he goes back to the main dashboard and checks the chemistry task of.

Scenario 3

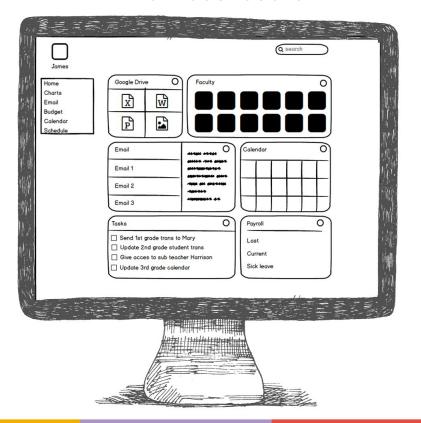


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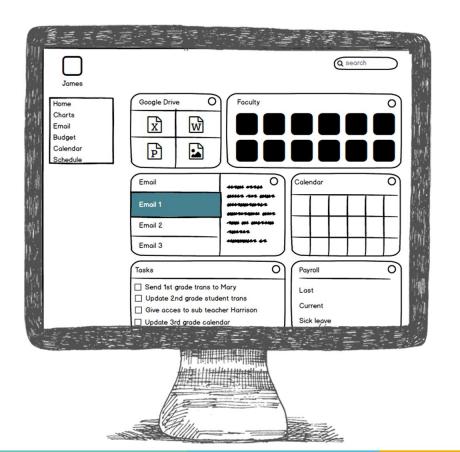
James logs in

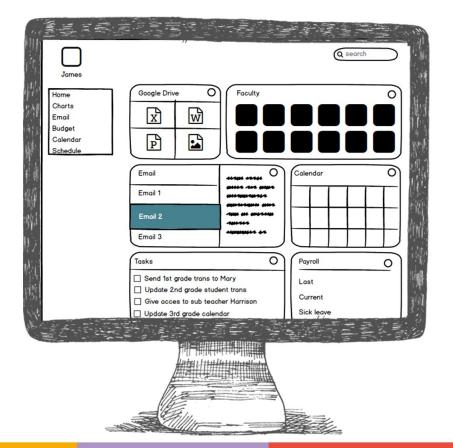


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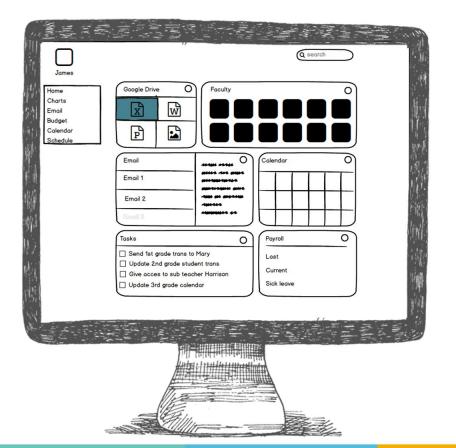


Checks e-mail

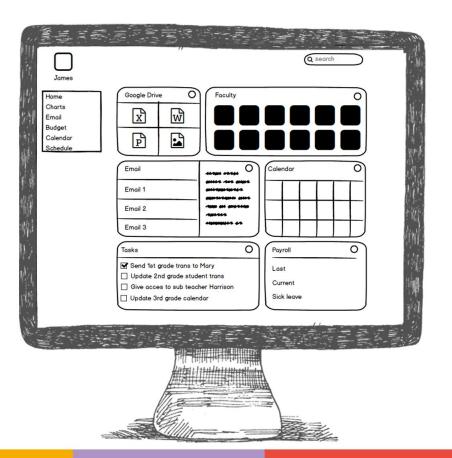




Goes to excel sheet



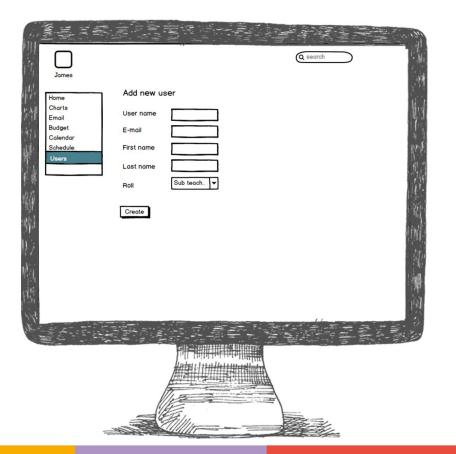
Checks task check box



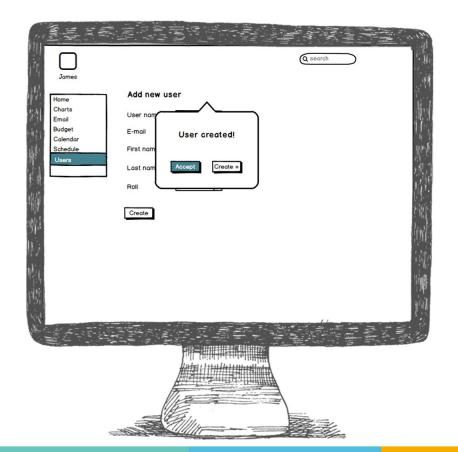
Clicks on user

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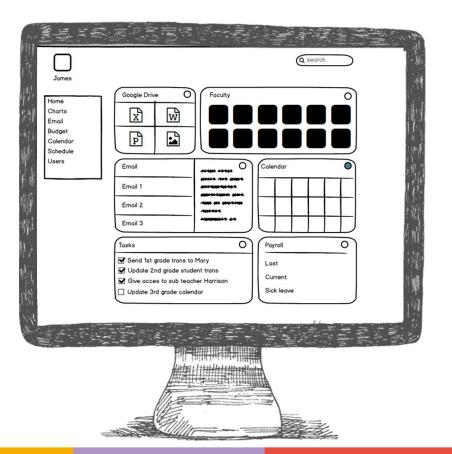
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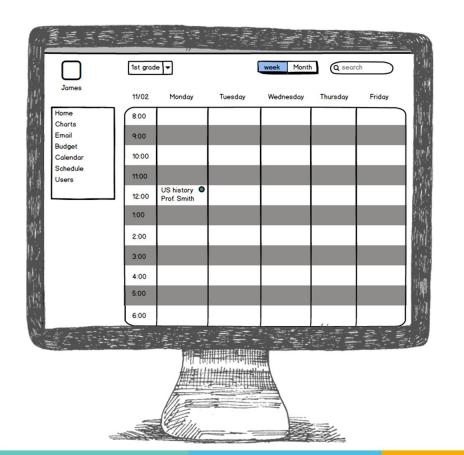
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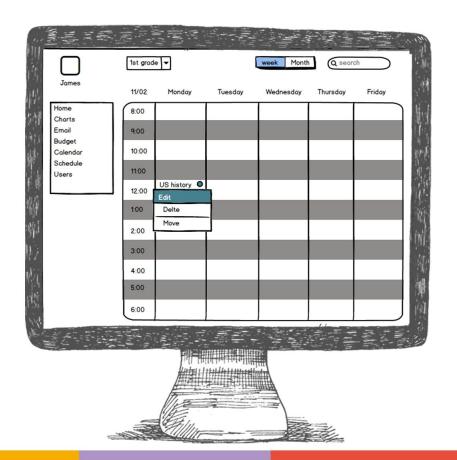


Clicks on calendar

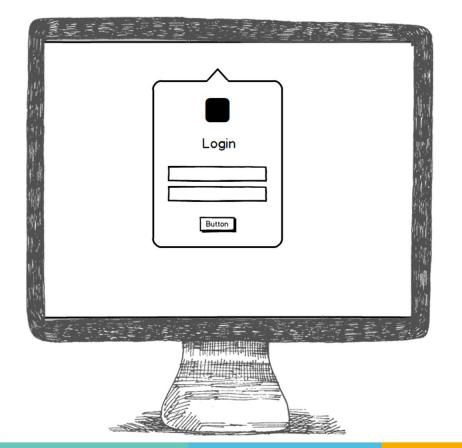


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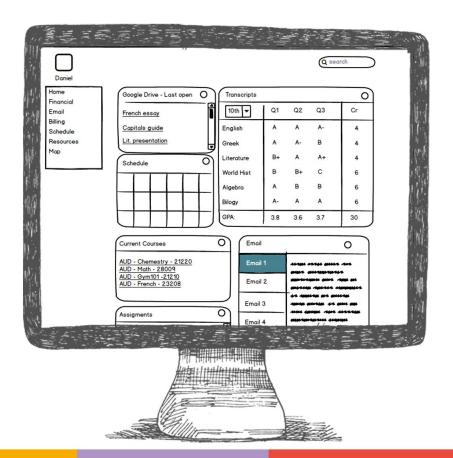




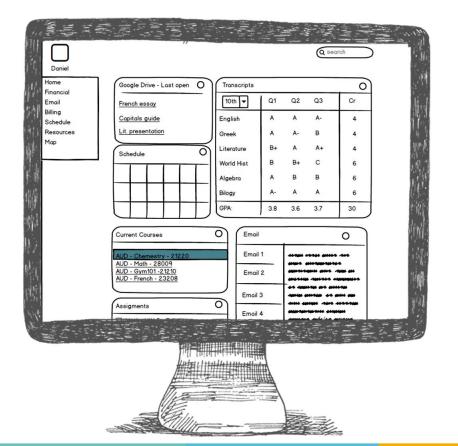
Daniel logs in



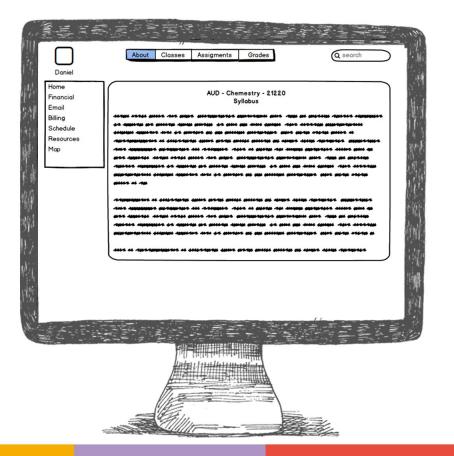
Reads e-mail



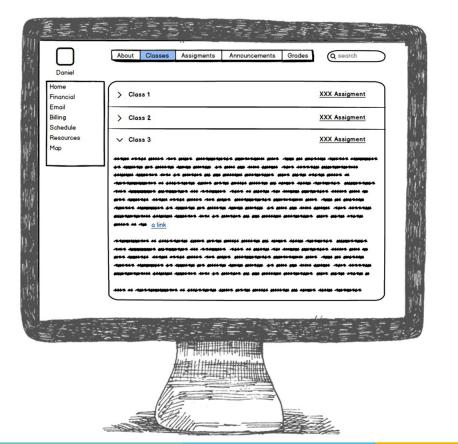
Clicks on Chemistry



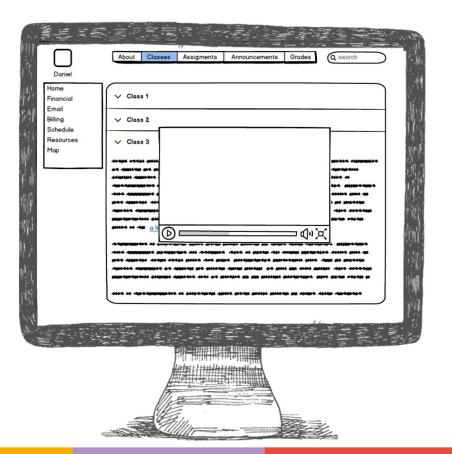
About section



Class section



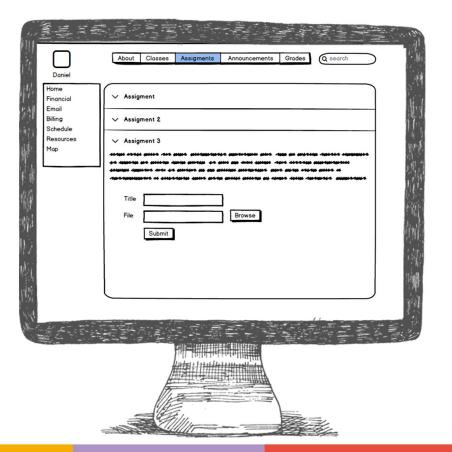
Watches video



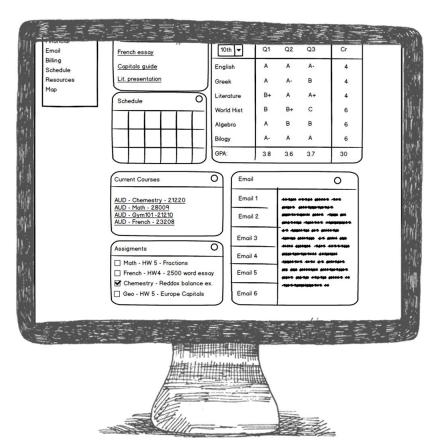
Clicks on assignment



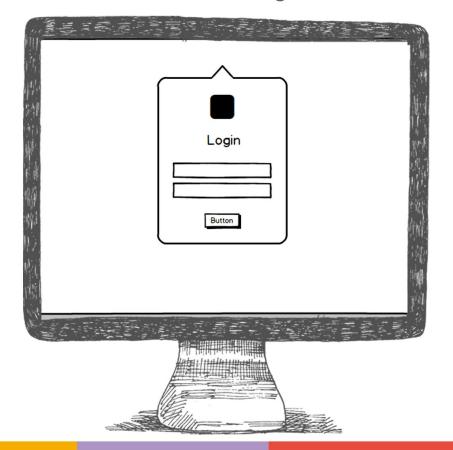
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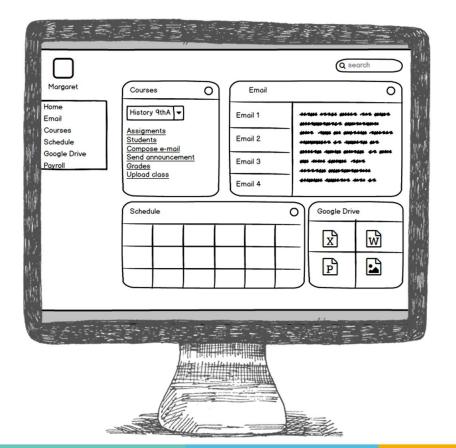
Checks task box



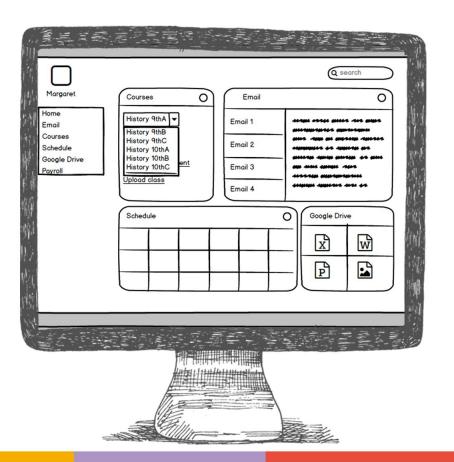
Looks for 10th grade



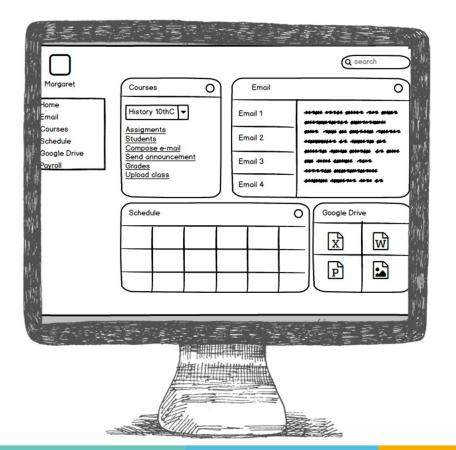
Main dashboard



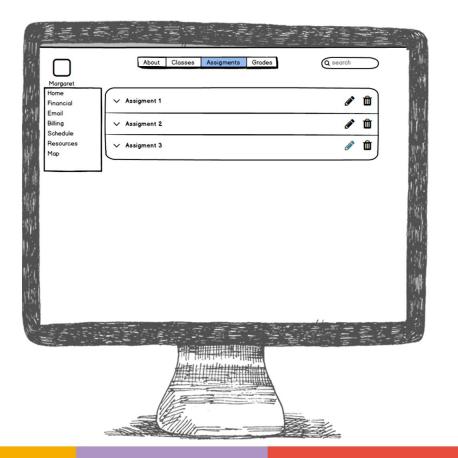
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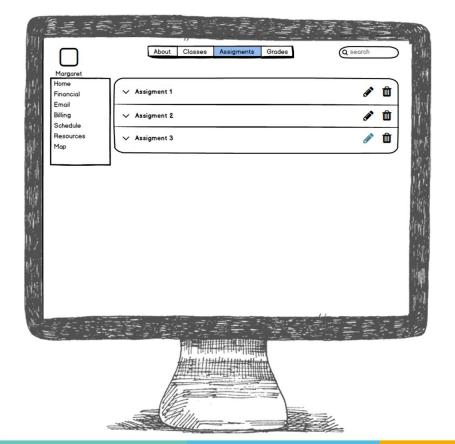
Choose option



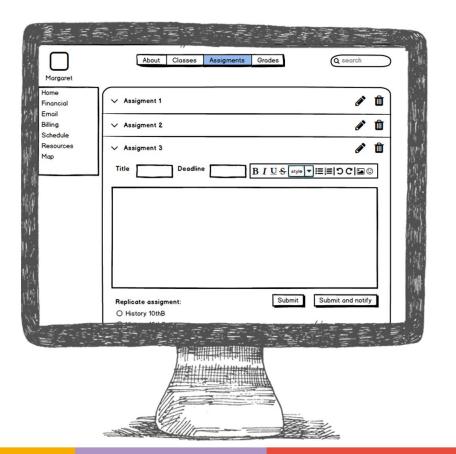
Goes to assignment section

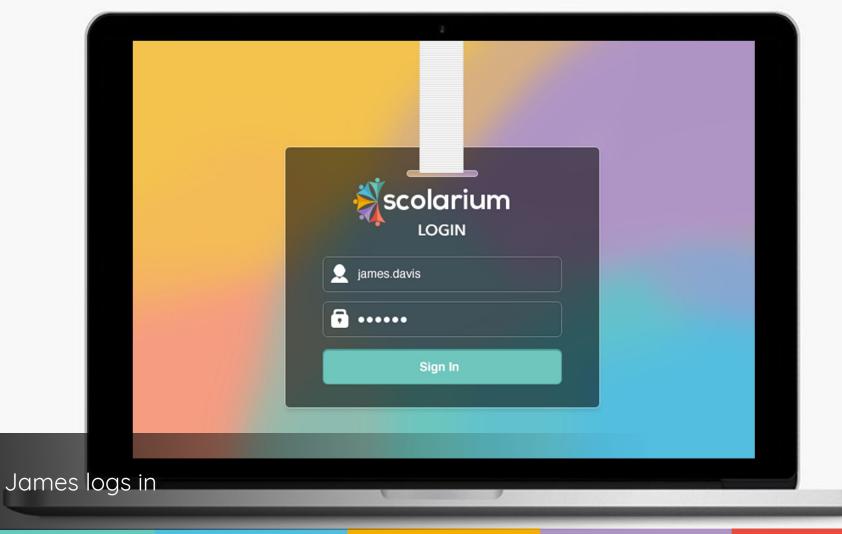


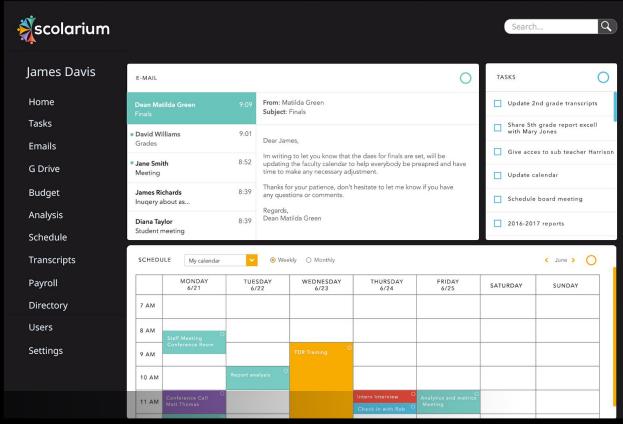
Clicks on add assignment



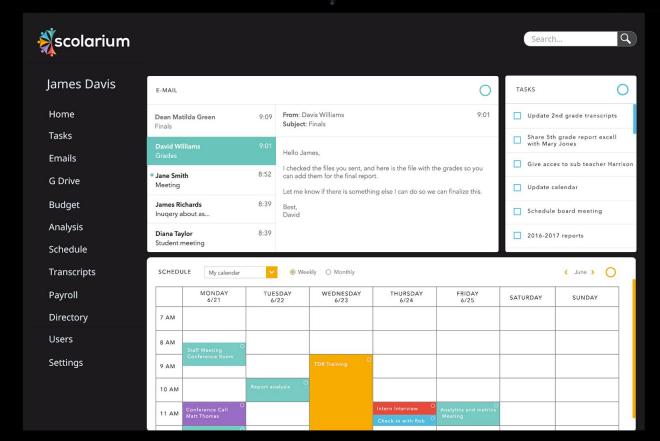
Fills fields

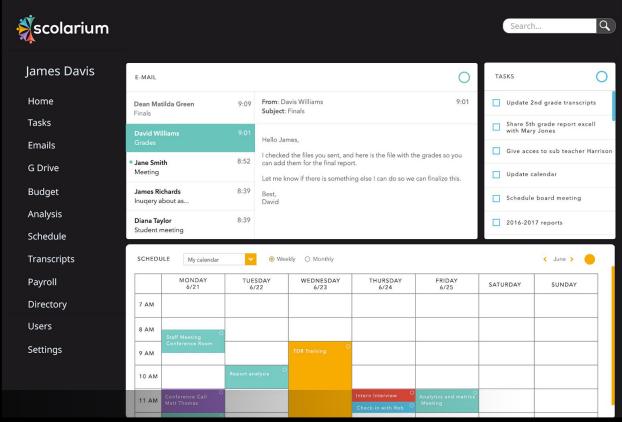




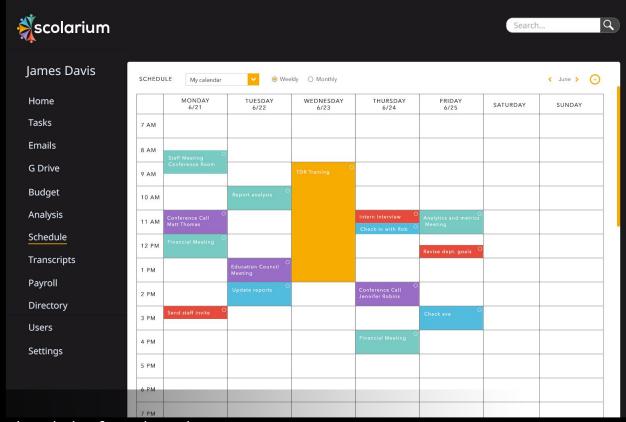


James checks his email

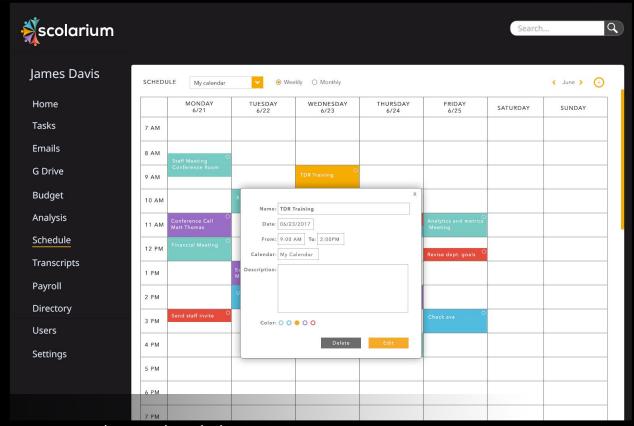




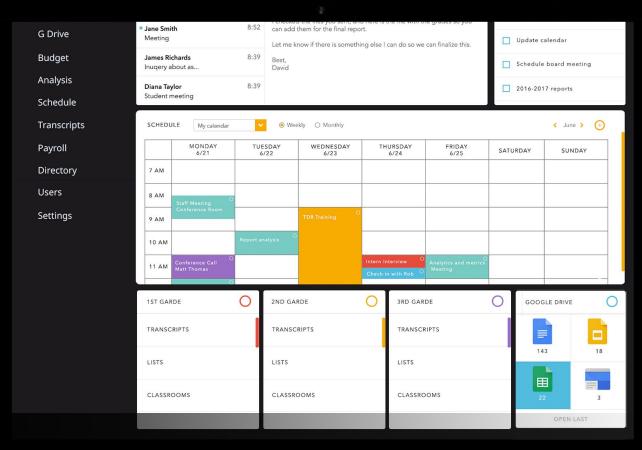
Clicks on schedule right corner to go this section



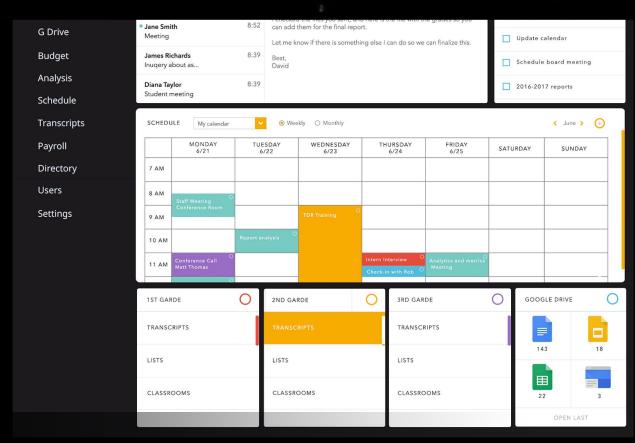
Revise his schedule for the day



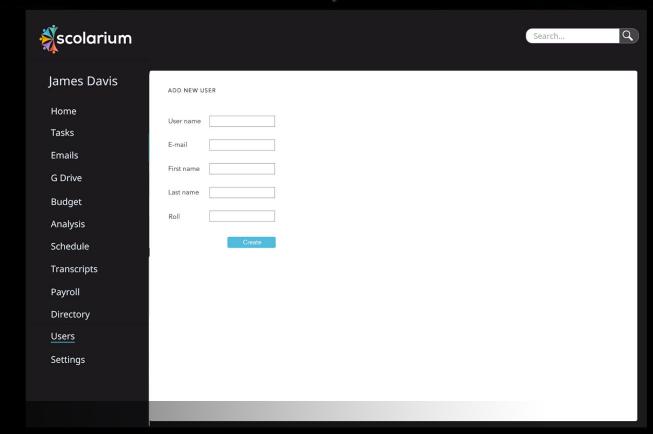
Makes a change on his schedule



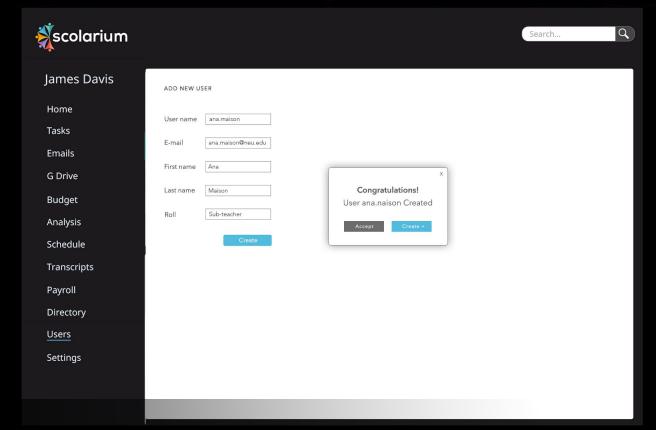
Goes to his drive spreadsheets (it's an outside tab)



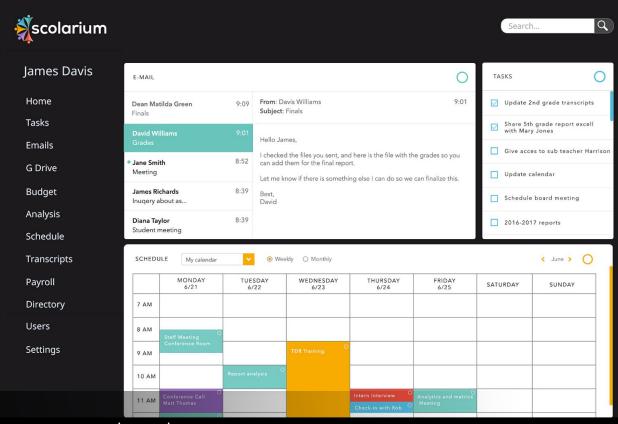
Click in 2nd grade transcripts



Creates a new user

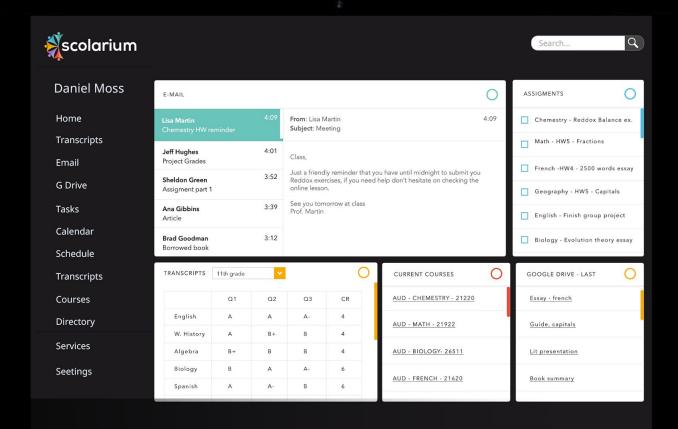


User created

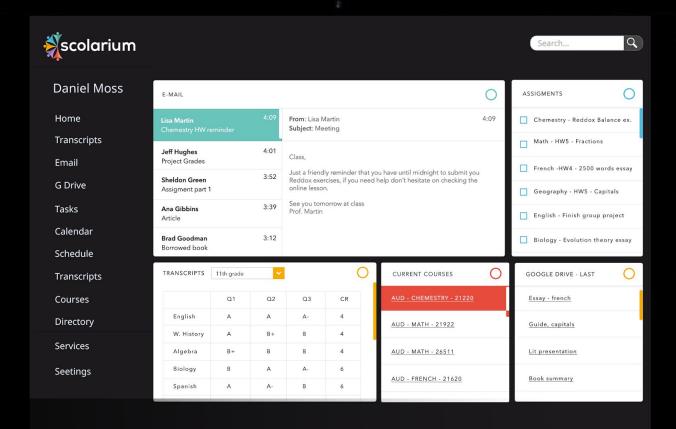


Checks tasks as completed





Checks e-mail that reminds him about the chemistry HW



Clicks on courses: Chemistry





Daniel Moss About Classes Assignments Announcements Grades

AUD - CHEMESTRY - 21220 Syllabus

Transcripts

Home

G Drive

Calendar

Course Description:

Students explore the fundamental principles of chemistry which characterize the properties of matter and how it reacts.

Computer-based and traditional laboratory techniques are used to obtain, organize and analyze data. Conclusions are developed using both qualitative and quan-

titative procedures. Topics include, but are not limited to: measurement, atomic structure, electron configuration, the periodic table bonding, gas laws, properties of liquids and solids, solutions, stoichiometry, reactions, kinetics, equilibrium, acids and bases, and nuclear chemistry

Tasks Main Goals:

The main goal of this program is to provide a solid foundation in the study of matter and its changes.

Through many activities students will demonstrate how theory is applicable in laboratory situations. All students will develop good methods of problem solving and proper laboratory technique.

Schedule

Laboratory Activities: Chapter tests/quizzes Research Projects

Courses

Transcripts

Math

Biology

French

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Resources:

Requirements:

Hand held Probeware (Vernier) Computers on Wheels General Laboratory Equipment

Student expectations:

1. demonstrate an active involvement in their learning.

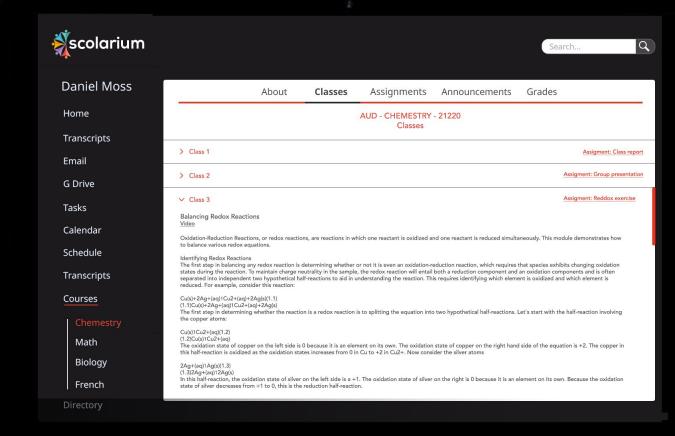
demonstrate logical thinking and problem solving ability.

3. effectively communicate through writing, listening, speaking, and reading across all content areas.

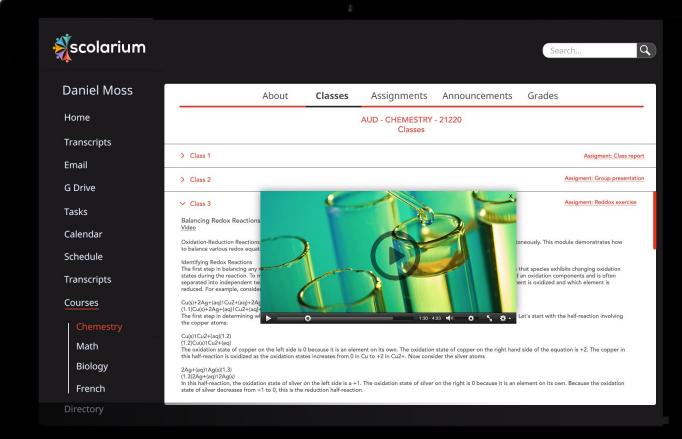
4. identify goals and set priorities to prepare for life and career decision making

Director

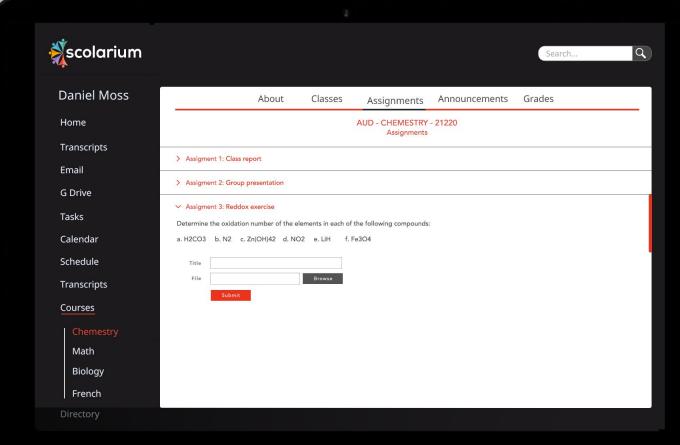
Main Chemistry screen



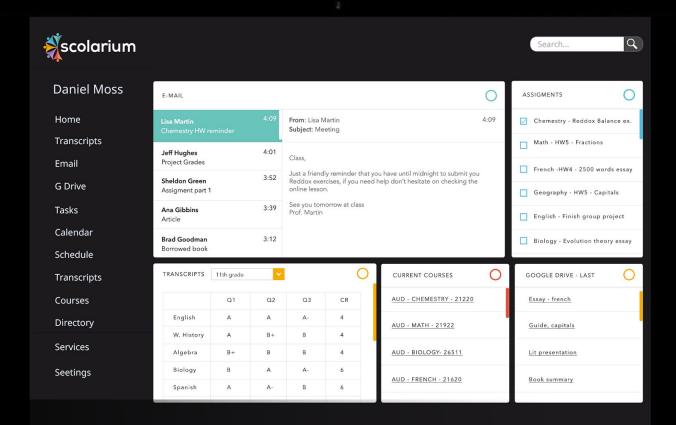
Goes to classes for a recap



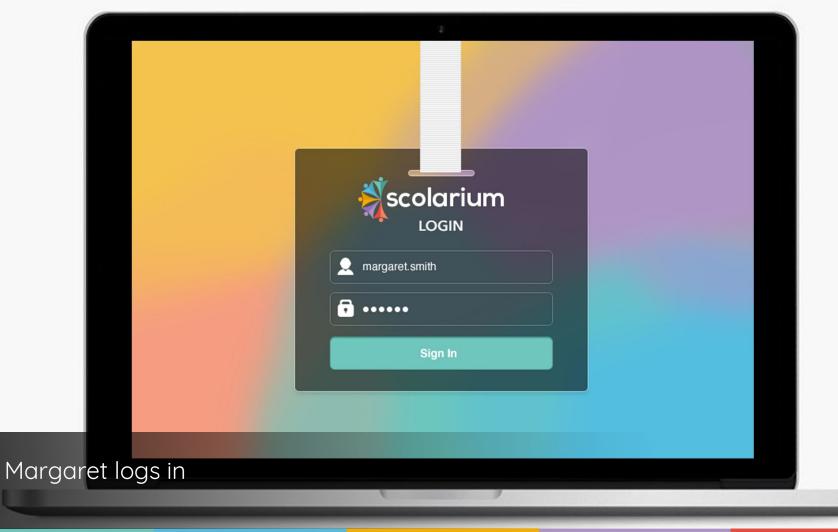
Watches a video linked to the class



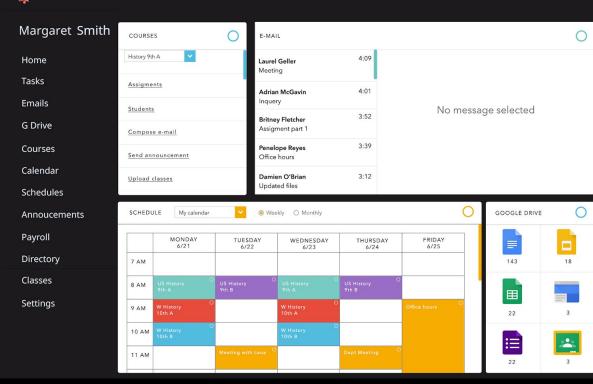
Submits his assignment

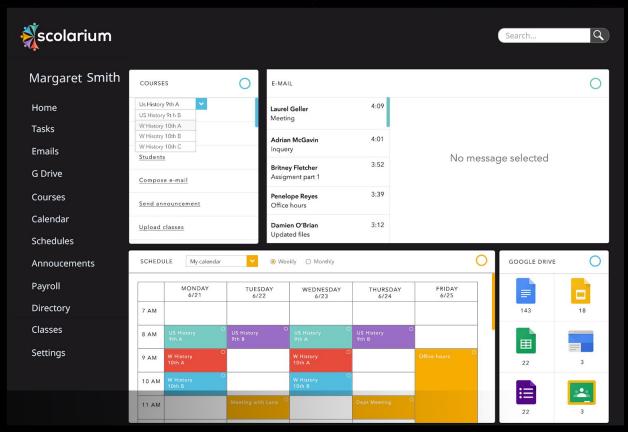


Checks task box

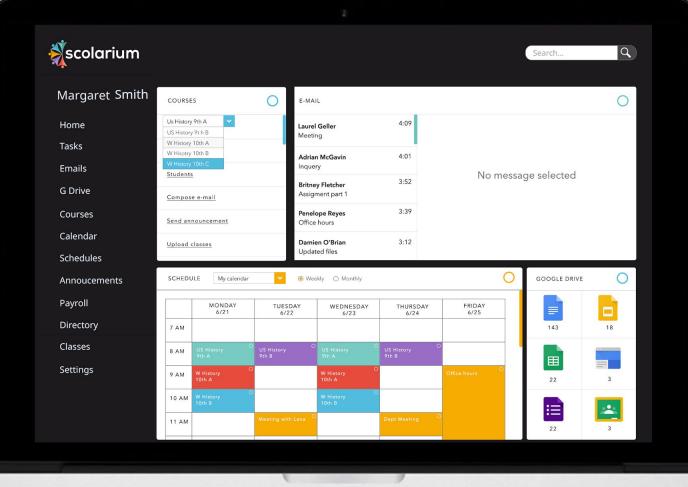


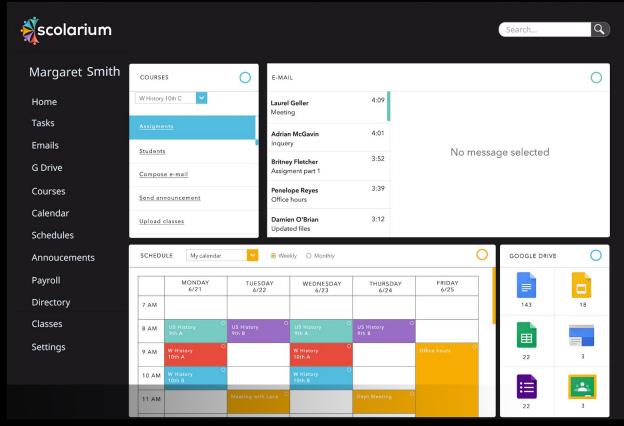




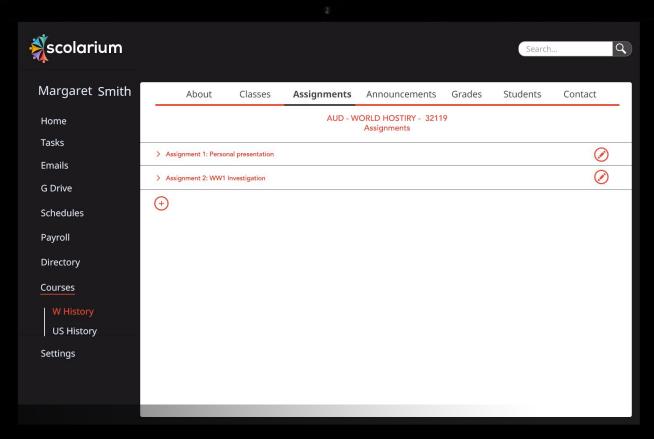


Looks for 10th grade course

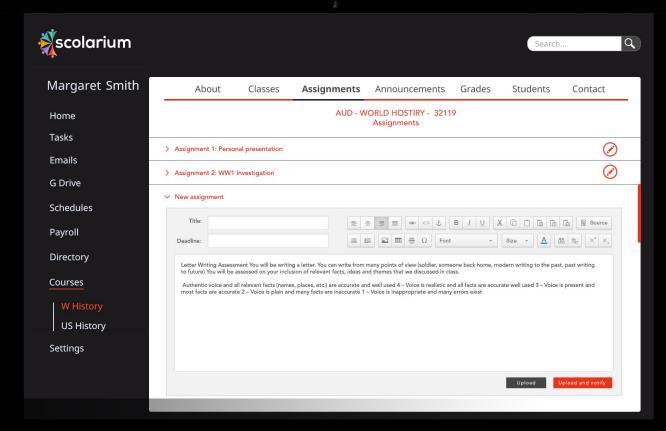




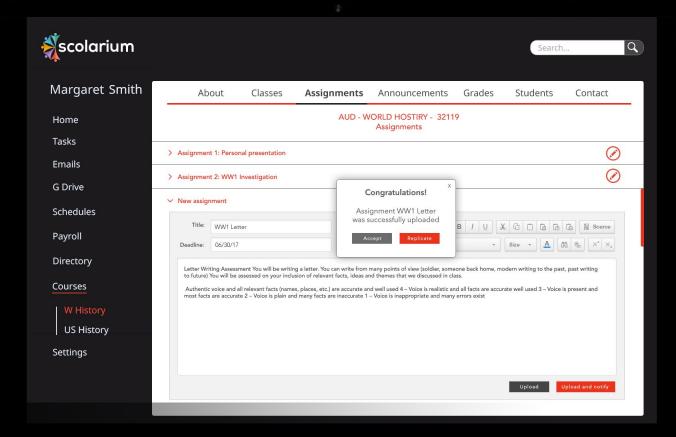
Goes to assignments



Creates a new assignment



Adds the information



Upload the assignment

Business Intelligence

Scolarium
Login

Login

Login

Login

As mentioned before this platform is going to use Business Intelligence, this is so schools and districts can gather information about what is going on and important changes.

This will help, for example, to be able to measure if after buying new equipment students are performing better, after certificating teacher they are improving their skills, measure what schools are doing better and replicate their techniques, this just a few examples of how this can benefit the education system.

The next screen is an example:



Schedules

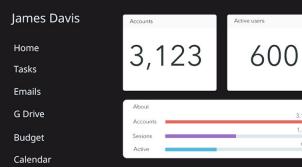
Transcripts

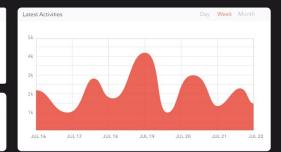
Payroll

Data

Users

Settings









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Resources





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http://blog.capterra.com/the-top-6-free-school-administration-software/

https://www.inetsoft.com/solutions/industry/education/

https://fekara.com/

https://school-time.co/#

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http://er.educause.edu/articles/2016/10/running-a-bi-shop-part-one-strategic-planning

http://global.qlik.com/kr/explore/solutions/industries/public-sector/education