

# Setting Up a Student Art Blog on Blogger

## First Time Setup

*To set up your Blog, you need to use a laptop or tablet. Using the Chrome browser works best.*

### Log in

1. Visit the [Holliston High School](#) webpage.
2. Click “Google Login” and log into your Holliston Google account.
3. In the app chooser, click “Blogger.”  
You may have to click “More” to see Blogger as an option.
4. If this is your first time using Blogger, you will have to set up a profile.
  - a. Choose “Blogger profile.”
  - b. Enter a display name that the public will see.  
Since you are a student, we recommend you use your first name but not last name.
  - c. Save the profile to continue to the Blogger Dashboard.



### Create a new Blog

5. Click “New Blog” to create a blog.
6. Give your blog a title, such as “Tom’s HHS Art Blog.”
7. Give your blog a url, such as “toms-hhs-art-blog”.blogspot.com.  
Everyone gets the “.blogspot.com” part, but you have to pick a beginning that is unique.
8. Choose a decorative theme. This theme can easily be changed later.
9. Click “Create blog!”

### Set Up Privacy

10. In the top right corner, click your name and choose “Blogger profile.”
11. Click “Edit Profile.”
12. Uncheck “Share my profile,” scroll to the bottom and click “Save Profile.”
13. Close the profile tab and return to the first Blogger tab.

### Write Your First Post

14. Click the pencil button to create your first post.
15. Change “Post title” to “Welcome to my blog!”
16. In the doc section, write a short paragraph explaining to visitors what the blog is, why it exists, and what it will contain.
17. Find and add a decorative picture to enhance your post.
18. Add a link to the Holliston High School webpage.
19. Click “Publish.”
20. Add labels to tag your post (“Inspiration,” “Original work,” or whatever your teacher recommends)
21. Click the “View blog” button to see your work so far.

### Notify Your Teacher

22. Let your art teacher know your blogspot URL, either via email or by filling out a Google Form (ask your teacher for specific directions)

## Set Up Your Smartphone

*Now that your blog is set up, it will be much easier to post new photos in your blog with your smartphone.*

1. On your iOS, Android, or Windows phone, download and install the free Blogger app.
2. Sign in with your Holliston Google account.
3. Use the app to post photos to your blog. It's very easy to figure out.

## Accessing the blog later

To edit the blog or add new posts via a browser: [www.blogger.com](http://www.blogger.com)

To view the blog as a visitor: [yourblogname.blogspot.com](http://yourblogname.blogspot.com)