**Set Up Your SOS Account**

SOS is the secure San Jacinto College Online

System for Students and Employees. To access SOS, you must claim your account.

If you haven’t already, head over to the SOS Login page at http://www.sanjac.edu/soslogin and click on the link that states, please click here to claim your account. Doing so will allow you to create a unique password for your account, obtain your Student ID (GID#), and set up your security questions (required if you want to use Self-Service to reset your password in the future).

The Password Self-Service System allows you to change or recover a lost password. Access it at

http://www.sanjac.edu/password.

**Set Up Your Email Account**

All San Jacinto College students are provided an email account once they have registered and paid for a class.

Student email addresses use the format: (LastName).(FirstInitial)(Last6ofGID#)@stu.sanjac.edu

Example: John Doe’s student email address is Doe.J123456@stu.sanjac.edu.

Head over to https://portal.microsoftonline.com to configure your student email account.

Your username will be your email address (Example: Doe.J123456@stu.sanjac.edu).

Your initial password will be your date of birth in a MMDDYYYY format.

Please note: If you are not able to log in using your date of birth, please use your SOS password instead. For more information, visit <http://www.sanjac.edu/email>

**Login to Blackboard**

Blackboard is San Jacinto College’s learning management system used for distance learning, hybrid, and technology supported courses. Blackboard is accessed over the internet and does not require you to install any software. However, you may need to install a compatible browser.

To login, visit <http://online.sanjac.edu>. Your username is your GID#. Your password is the same as your SOS password.

**Test Your System in Blackboard**

Blackboard users can test their computer to make sure it is compatible with the current version of Blackboard. To run this test, follow these steps:

1. Log into Blackboard

2. Locate the Browser Test module on the My SanJac tab andclick on the “Test Your Browser” button.

3. A page will appear to show you to results of your test.

For additional information or assistance, contact Blackboard Support at (281) 542-2084.

**Register with the SJC Alert Me System**

The SJC ALERT ME! System is used by the College to notify you in case of an emergency; such as College closure due to severe weather, an immediate danger or cancelled classes.

To receive voice and text messages, you must provide your telephone and/or mobile number to the College by logging into your account on SOS and clicking on the red SJC ALERTME tab.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.sanjac.edu/content/alert-me>

**Access the Library Online**

The San Jac Library provide services to help you succeed.

Get research help

Access magazine and newspaper articles online

Use textbooks, handouts, test reviews and videos

Find books using the library catalog

Renew books online

Use a study room

Borrow a laptop or use Wi-Fi

Chat online with a librarian

For more information or to access these services, visit the website at <http://www.sanjac.edu/library> or the Library tab within Blackboard.

**Use Atomic Learning**

Atomic Learning is an online, web-based video tutorial library that provides all San Jac students and employees on demand access to thousands of short, easy-to-understand tutorial videos on more than 110 applications. The videos may be used as a resources to support classroom learning or to facilitate your own personal learning.

You can access the Atomic Learning video library through the My SanJac tab in Blackboard, under the Tools menu.

**Use Smarthinking**

SMARTHINKING is an online tutoring resource that allows students to connect with live tutors from any computer with Internet access. It provides online math, writing and other academic subject tutoring 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In the online writing lab, e-structors critique and return essays within 24 hours.

Students can access Smarthinking through the My SanJac tab in Blackboard, under the Tools menu.

CONTACT TECH SUPPORT FOR TECHNOLOGY QUESTIONS OR ASSISTANCE AT (281) 998-6137