

**Sign-up!**

In order to sign up (or re-sign up) as an educator for a free Plus subscription, you can apply for a code from our [education site](http://animoto.com/education)  
  
And in so doing, your application will be processed in the order it was received! Make sure you add [education@animoto.com](mailto:education@animoto.com) to your address book so that your confirmation doesn't end up in your spam box.

You will receive a confirmation email which indicates your account has been upgraded with a free Plus subscription and also contains your classroom code (this is for setting up your students with free accounts and works like a coupon - so please take notice to the expiration date of the code)

Your Educational Accounts expire every six months, and you'll need a new code to renew your account. You can re-apply for a new code and extended access the same way you applied the first time by visiting our [education site](http://animoto.com/education" \t "_blank). Also, once you've received the code, you have one month to redeem it.

Now you are ready to start using Animoto!

**Steps for setting up the student accounts:**

1. You will need to register each student just like you would any other Animoto User. You do NOT register student account within your own account. You can register the students yourself or give them the code and have them register. You can have them use their own email addresses or use the dummy account method. To read more about the Dummy Account Method click [here](http://help.animoto.com/entries/104077-how-do-i-set-up-accounts-for-my-students" \o "Dummy accounts" \t "_blank). You will sign each student up individually [here](https://animoto.com/sign_up" \o "Sign up page" \t "_blank).
2. When signing up you will be prompted to enter a promo code. This is where you will enter the classroom code you were sent in your confirmation email. This will work like a coupon and grant your students free Plus subscriptions. REMEMBER: Do not continue to enter any any payment information after the promo code is entered.

Once the promo code is accepted the account is ready to be used. Give the students their login information and have fun! **To set up your students' accounts...**

**1.)** You can set up your students' dummy accounts by registering one e-mail address at gmail.com. The "dummy" account trick doesn't work with most other e-mail domains. Please note that you only need to set up one email address with Gmail.

**2.)** Once you have that original e-mail address registered at Gmail.com, you can then register your students at Animoto by entering the e-mail addresses in the registration form. Make sure to enter the code where it says "promo code". Here's a link to the registration form:   
<https://animoto.com/sign_up>

For example, if you registered [emailaddress@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress@gmail.com) at Gmail, you'd register the following e-mail addresses at Animoto:

[emailaddress+1@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress+1@gmail.com)

[emailaddress+2@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress+2@gmail.com)

[emailaddress+3@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress+2@gmail.com)

[emailaddress+4@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress+2@gmail.com)

[emailaddress+5@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress+2@gmail.com)

**A few notes about dummy email addresses:**

- The plus sign in the email address **is** necessary. [emailaddress+1@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress+1@gmail.com) will redirect to [emailaddress@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress@gmail.com), but [emailaddress1@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress1@gmail.com) will not redirect to [emailaddress@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress@gmail.com).

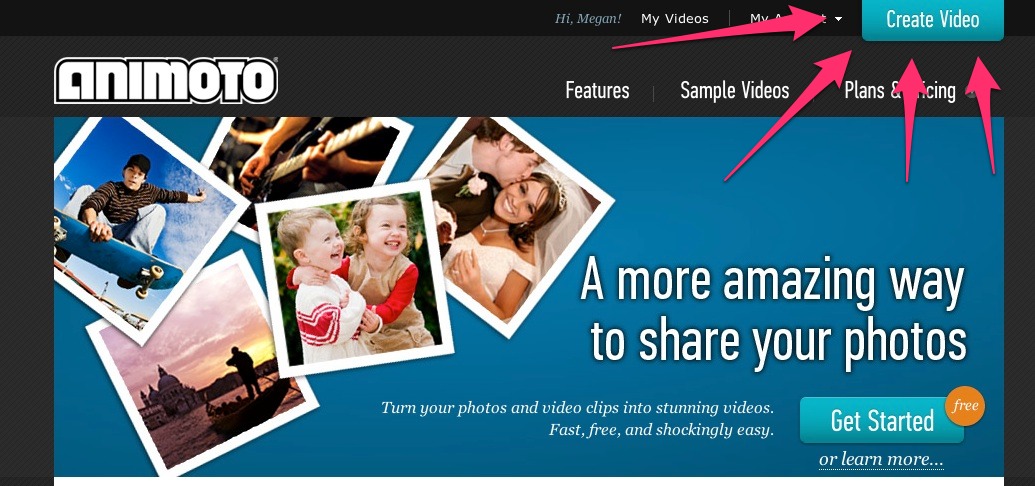
- Do not actually register [emailaddress@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress@gmail.com) - that's just an example. Create your own unique email address on Gmail, such as [Classroom4B@gmail.com](mailto:Classroom4B@gmail.com), or [MrsOrrHomeroom@gmail.com](mailto:MrsOrrHomeroom@gmail.com).

- All activity at our website under these accounts will be sent to your original, derivative e-mail (i.e.[emailaddress@gmail.com](mailto:emailaddress@gmail.com)). This way, you'll be able to give each student a unique Animoto account, while also being able to monitor their account's activity.

- Your students may use their own email addresses if that is easier. However, we do not currently have a way for you to monitor your students' activity if the students use their own email addresses. Also, we are unable to provide support for those teachers who choose not use the dummy account system.

- If your students are under 13, register the accounts with your information. This way, you'll be responsible for the conduct of the account user.

Click "Create Video" from the set of buttons in the upper left to begin, and choose a style for your video.



Animoto will then walk you through the three steps required to create a video. 1) Choose a Style, 2) Get your photos and videos, 3) Choose your music, 4) Add your text, and 5) Produce your video. Don't forget Advanced Settings to add those extra great features that make your Video pop.