

How to Prevent Zoombombing

Zoombombing is when an individual (invited or uninvited) joins a Zoom meeting and uses their video, audio, or screen sharing, to share unwanted content during the session. This emerging form of trolling is meant to disrupt and interrupt meetings and classes.

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1. Share [Zoom Online Class Policies](#) with students.
2. Use a unique URL that is not posted in public places, social media, etc. Avoid using your personal meeting ID that could be well known.
3. Require a [password to sign in](#) to your Zoom session.
4. Require all students to [sign in with their first name and last name](#) as it is listed on the roster.
5. Use the [mute button](#) to avoid unwanted sharing.
6. Remove a participant from the session - When you're in the participant's menu, mouse over a participant's name and several options will appear, including **Remove**. Click that to remove a participant from the meeting. They can't get back in if you then click **Lock Meeting**.
7. Lock the meeting after all participants are in the Zoom session - When you're in the meeting, click **Participants** at the bottom of your Zoom window. In the participant's pop-up box, you will see a button that says **Lock Meeting**. When you lock the meeting, no new participants can join, even if they have the meeting ID and password.

More Aggressive Suggestions

1. Enable the [Waiting Room](#) feature.
2. Limit screen sharing settings
 - a. Click the arrow next to **Screen Share**
 - b. Under Who can share? Click **Only Host**
3. Disable file transfer, and this will eliminate the possibility of digital file-sharing. For step-by-step instructions, [view the In-Meeting File Transfer Zoom article](#).
4. [Disable Chat](#) in a Zoom meeting.

Employ Classroom Management Strategies

The [Classroom Management in Zoom pdf](#) provides best practices and settings that serve as classroom management for Zoom virtual classrooms. The majority of these recommendations will help you manage large classes unless otherwise noted.

Students, faculty, and staff who are impacted by protected class (race, sex, gender, sexual identity, religion, or national origin) misconduct during Zoom sessions should review the [Student Code of Conduct](#) and are referred to equity@k-state.edu for supportive resources and reporting options.