

Google Authenticator - Backup Two-Step Verification

The district use two-step verification as a security measure on faculty accounts. Usually a yes/no prompt will appear on your phone to confirm you are logging in. Other times you may need to use an 8 digit backup code you'd either downloaded or requested from the tech office.

The Google Authenticator app is a handy alternative to these backup codes, providing a 6 digit code that is refreshed periodically. Setting it up is very quick but you'll want to pull up the QR code on a second device such as a laptop. Instructions are as follows...

Install The App

On your phone, go to the App Store or Play Store and search for "Google Authenticator", it will be from Google LLC.

As of writing, the logo looks like the one below.

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While this downloads, continue to the next section to pull up the QR code on a second device.

Get QR Code

In the chrome browser, signed in to your school account, you can follow this link:

<https://myaccount.google.com/two-step-verification/authenticator>

You will be prompted for your Google password. You will then have a page where you can add an authenticator app, clicking this will pull up a QR code to be scanned. We will follow the on-screen instructions.

App Setup

On your phone, open the Google Authenticator app and tap the + sign in the bottom right.

Choose "Scan a QR code"

Scan the QR code and follow the prompts on the screen, it should have you enter one of the codes to confirm the app.

After following the prompts, you should be all set. Now, when verifying a login, you can select “Try another way” and pick the option for authenticator app. Simply open the app and use the 6 digit code before it expires.

If you would rather follow the Google support article, it is as follows: [Get verification codes with Google Authenticator - Android - Google Account Help](#)

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