This document discusses the differences between root account and sub-account admin roles. Root account admins can set account level permissions and settings for an account which then flow down to sub-accounts. Sub-account admins can only manage settings and permissions for their sub-account(s). This document compares viewable content as well as manageable permissions and settings for root account and sub-account admin roles.

View the [Account Permissions PDF](#).

**Account Navigation Links**

Only root account admins can access the following Account Navigation links:

- Authentication
- Developer Keys
- SIS Imports
- Terms

**Permissions**

Sub-account admins cannot be assigned the following permissions: The following permissions cannot be applied to sub-accounts:

- Catalog - manage
- Developer Keys - manage
- Notifications - view (Admin Tools)
- SIS Data - import
- SIS Data - manage
- Users - act as
- Users - manage login details

**Settings**

Only root account admins can manage the following account settings:

- Settings Tab:
  - Account Settings
    - Default Time Zone
    - Allow Self-Enrollment
    - Login label
    - Trusted HTTP Referrers
    - Don't let teachers rename their courses
    - Students can opt-in to receiving scores in email notifications
    - Restrict students from viewing quiz questions after course end date
  - Canvas Cloud Information
  - Features
Open Registration
- Features (cont.)
  - Users can edit their name
  - Users can delete their institution-assigned email address
  - Show the email address of sender for user interaction notifications
- Help Menu Options
- Enabled Web Services
- Who Can Create New Courses
- Quotas Tab:
  - User quota
- Notifications Tab
- Feature Previews Tab:
  - Account level features