

## **STEP 1: OPEN MICROSOFT TEAMS**

- Launch the Microsoft Teams application on your desktop or access it via a web browser.

## **STEP 2: START OR JOIN A MEETING**

- Click on the “Calendar” tab to join an existing meeting or select “Meet Now” to start a new meeting.

## **STEP 3: ACCESS BACKGROUND SETTINGS**

- Before joining the meeting, look for the “Background filters” or “Background effects” option in the pre-meeting setup window.
- Click on this option to open the background settings menu.

## **STEP 5: UPLOAD YOUR CUSTOM BACKGROUND**

- In the background settings menu, scroll through the available backgrounds.
- To upload your custom image, click on the “Add new” button or the “+” icon.
- Navigate to the location on your device where your custom background image is saved and select it.

## **STEP 6: SELECT YOUR BACKGROUND**

- Once uploaded, your custom background will appear in the list of available backgrounds.
- Click on your custom background to select it.

## **STEP 7: JOIN THE MEETING**

- After selecting your background, click the “Join now” button to enter the meeting with your custom background applied.

## **TIPS FOR USING CUSTOM BACKGROUNDS**

- You must be in a Teams meeting to upload your backgrounds.
- Test your background in a private meeting or join your meeting 5-10 minutes in advance to ensure it looks good.
- Ensure your Teams application is updated to the latest version for optimal functionality.