

## # 4. Deploy Kubernetes Dashboard

![[alt text](../imgs/k8s\_dashboard\_admin\_permission.png "K8s Architecture")]

### # 4.1 Required setup 1: Install Metrics Server first so Dashboard can poll metrics

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```
kubectl apply -f https://github.com/kubernetes-sigs/metrics-server/releases/download/v0.3.6/components.yaml
```

```

Check metrics-server deployment

```bash

```
kubectl get deployment metrics-server -n kube-system
```

```

Output

```bash

| NAME           | READY | UP-TO-DATE | AVAILABLE | AGE |
|----------------|-------|------------|-----------|-----|
| metrics-server | 1/1   | 1          | 1         | 82s |

```

### # 4.2 Required setup 2: Install Dashboard v2.0.0

Refs:

- <https://kubernetes.github.io/dashboard/>
- <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/eks/latest/userguide/dashboard-tutorial.html>

```

```
kubectl apply -f https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kubernetes/dashboard/v2.0.0-beta8/aio/deploy/recommended.yaml
```

```

Output shows resources created in `kubernetes-dashboard` namespace

```bash

```
namespace/kubernetes-dashboard created
serviceaccount/kubernetes-dashboard created
service/kubernetes-dashboard created
secret/kubernetes-dashboard-certs created
secret/kubernetes-dashboard-csrf created
secret/kubernetes-dashboard-key-holder created
configmap/kubernetes-dashboard-settings created
role.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/kubernetes-dashboard created
clusterrole.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/kubernetes-dashboard created
rolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/kubernetes-dashboard created
clusterrolebinding.rbac.authorization.k8s.io/kubernetes-dashboard created
deployment.apps/kubernetes-dashboard created
service/dashboard-metrics-scraper created
deployment.apps/dashboard-metrics-scraper created
```

```

---
Get token (kinda like password) for dashboard
---
kubectl describe secret $(k get secret -n kubernetes-dashboard | grep
kubernetes-dashboard-token | awk '{ print $1 }') -n kubernetes-dashboard
---

Create a secure channel from local to API server in Kubernetes cluster
---
kubectl proxy

# access this url from browser
http://localhost:8001/api/v1/namespaces/kubernetes-
dashboard/services/https:kubernetes-dashboard:/proxy/
---

![[alt text](../imgs/k8s_dashboard_without_permission.png "K8s Architecture")]

This is because the default service account `serviceaccount/kubernetes-
dashboard` doesn't have much permission to view resources.

# 4.3 Required setup 3: Create RBAC to control what metrics can be visible

[[eks-admin-service-account.yaml]](eks-admin-service-account.yaml)
---
apiVersion: v1
kind: ServiceAccount
metadata:
  name: eks-admin
  namespace: kube-system
---
apiVersion: rbac.authorization.k8s.io/v1beta1
kind: ClusterRoleBinding
metadata:
  name: eks-admin
roleRef:
  apiGroup: rbac.authorization.k8s.io
  kind: ClusterRole
  name: cluster-admin # this is the cluster admin role
subjects:
- kind: ServiceAccount
  name: eks-admin
  namespace: kube-system
---

Apply
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```

```
kubectl apply -f eks-admin-service-account.yaml
```

Check it created in `kube-system` namespace
```
kubectl get serviceaccount -n kube-system | grep eks-admin
eks-admin                  1          52s
```

Get a token from the `eks-admin` serviceaccount
```
kubectl -n kube-system describe secret $(kubectl -n kube-system get secret |
grep eks-admin | awk '{print $1}')
```

Create a secure channel from local to API server in Kubernetes cluster
```
kubectl proxy

# access this url from browser
http://localhost:8001/api/v1/namespaces/kubernetes-
dashboard/services/https:kubernetes-dashboard:/proxy/
```

Now dashboard shows full metrics in all namespaces

# 4.4 K8s Dashboard Walkthrough

## Uninstall Dashboard
```
kubectl delete -f
https://raw.githubusercontent.com/kubernetes/dashboard/v2.0.0-
beta8/aio/deploy/recommended.yaml

kubectl delete -f eks-admin-service-account.yaml
```
```