Phase 7 — Integration & External Access

(Student/College CRM)

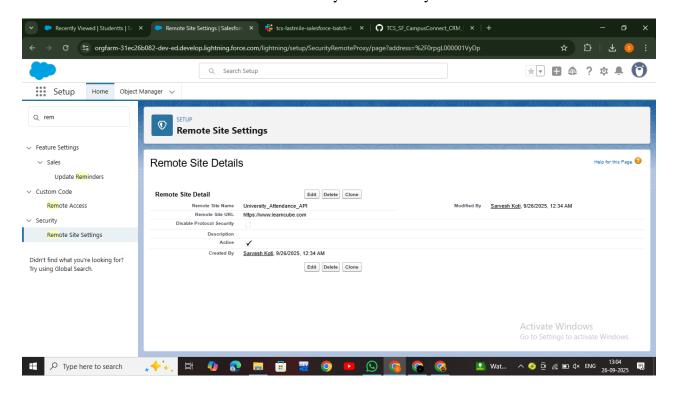
1. Remote Site Settings

Purpose: Whitelist external endpoints for Salesforce callouts.

Steps:

- Go to Setup \rightarrow Remote Site Settings \rightarrow New Remote Site
- Remote Site Name: University_Attendance_API
- Remote Site URL: (e.g., https://api.university-attendance.com)
- Save

Use Case: Connect Salesforce with university attendance systems



2. Named Credentials

Purpose: Store API authentication details securely (not in Apex code).

Steps:

- Go to Setup → Named Credentials → New Named Credential
- Label: AttendanceSystem
- URL: API base URL
- Auth Type: Username/Password or OAuth 2.0
- Save

Use Case: Securely call attendance or payment gateway APIs in Apex/Flows

3. External Services (Declarative API Integration)

Purpose: Import Swagger/OpenAPI for API actions in Flows.

Steps:

- Setup → External Services → New External Service
- Provide Swagger file/URL from API (e.g., Payment Gateway)
- Salesforce generates invocable actions
- Use generated actions in Flows (no Apex required)

Use Case: Fee payment via API from a Flow

4. Web Services (Exposing Salesforce APIs)

REST Endpoint:

- Create Apex class with @RestResource(urlMapping='/StudentEventAPI/*')
- Define GET method to return Student Event records as JSON

SOAP Endpoint:

• Use webservice keyword in Apex to expose SOAP methods

Use Case:

External portal fetches Salesforce event registrations via REST/SOAP

5. Callouts (Outbound API Calls)

Steps:

- Create Apex class using HttpRequest & Http classes
- Endpoint must be whitelisted (step 1 Remote Site Settings)
 Use Case:
- Fetch external event categories, update Salesforce Event_c records

6. Platform Events (Event-Driven Integration)

Steps:

- Setup → Platform Events → New Platform Event (EventUpdate_e)
- Add fields (EventId, Capacity, StudentId)
- Use triggers/Flows to publish events when students register
- External systems subscribe via CometD or middleware
 Use Case:
- Notify club leader when a student registers for an event

7. Change Data Capture (CDC)

Steps:

- Setup → Change Data Capture
- Enable for objects: Student_c, Enrollment_c
- External system subscribes via Streaming API
 Use Case:
- Instantly sync updated Student details with master DB

8. Salesforce Connect

Steps:

• Setup → External Data Sources → New External Data Source

- Type: OData 2.0/4.0
- URL: External DB/API
- Validate & Sync (creates External Objects)

Use Case:

• Display live library database info (e.g., borrowed books) in Salesforce

9. API Limits

How to Check:

- Setup → System Overview (shows API calls remaining)
- Use batch jobs or caching in custom Apex to reduce API hits

Example:

Cache exam schedules for daily loads instead of fetching on every record view

10. OAuth & Authentication

Steps:

- Setup → App Manager → New Connected App
- Enable OAuth Settings
- Provide callback URL (from your mobile app)
- Add OAuth scopes (e.g., manage your data via API)

Use Case:

• Mobile app fetches student event registration data using OAuth token