

EF

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# Configure Domain Classes

- Code-First builds the conceptual model from your domain classes using default conventions
- However, you can override these conventions by configuring your domain classes to provide EF with the information it needs. There are two ways to configure your domain classes:
  - Data Annotation Attributes
  - Fluent API

# Data Annotations Attributes

- Data Annotations is a simple attribute based configuration

```
[Table("StudentInfo")]
public class Student
{
    public Student() { }
    [Key]
    public int SID { get; set; }
    [Column("Name", TypeName="ntext")]
    [MaxLength(20)]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
    [NotMapped]
    public int? Age { get; set; }
    public int StdId { get; set; }
    [ForeignKey("StdId")]
    public virtual Standard Standard { get; set;}
}
```

# Data Annotations Attributes

- Data annotation attributes do not support all the configuration options for Entity Framework. So, you can use Fluent API, which provides all the configuration options for EF.

# Fluent API

- Fluent API configuration can be applied when EF builds a model from your domain classes
- You can inject the Fluent API configurations by **overriding** the **OnModelCreating** method of **DbContext** in Entity Framework 6.x, as shown below:

```
public class SchoolDbContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDbContext(): base("SchoolDBConnectionString")
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }
    public DbSet<StudentAddress> StudentAddress { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Configure domain classes using modelBuilder here..
    }
}
```

# Data Annotations

- Data Annotations attributes are .NET attributes which can be applied on an entity class or properties to override default conventions in EF
- Data annotation attributes are included in the **System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations** and **System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations.Schema** namespaces in EF
- **Note:** Data annotations only give you a subset of configuration options. Fluent API provides a full set of configuration options available in Code-First.

# DataAnnotations

Attribute	Description
Key	Can be applied to a property to specify a key property in an entity and make the corresponding column a PrimaryKey column in the database.
Timestamp	Can be applied to a property to specify the data type of a corresponding column in the database as <code>rowversion</code> .
ConcurrencyCheck	Can be applied to a property to specify that the corresponding column should be included in the optimistic concurrency check.
Required	Can be applied to a property to specify that the corresponding column is a NotNull column in the database.
MinLength	Can be applied to a property to specify the minimum string length allowed in the corresponding column in the database.
MaxLength	Can be applied to a property to specify the maximum string length allowed in the corresponding column in the database.
StringLength	Can be applied to a property to specify the maximum string length allowed in the corresponding column in the database.



# DataAnnotations.Schema

Attribute	Description
Table	Can be applied to an entity class to configure the corresponding table name and schema in the database.
Column	Can be applied to a property to configure the corresponding column name, order and data type in the database.
Index	Can be applied to a property to configure that the corresponding column should have an Index in the database. (EF 6.1 onwards only)
ForeignKey	Can be applied to a property to mark it as a foreign key property.
NotMapped	Can be applied to a property or entity class which should be excluded from the model and should not generate a corresponding column or table in the database.
DatabaseGenerated	Can be applied to a property to configure how the underlying database should generate the value for the corresponding column e.g. identity, computed or none.
InverseProperty	Can be applied to a property to specify the inverse of a navigation property that represents the other end of the same relationship.
ComplexType	Marks the class as complex type in EF 6. EF Core 2.0 does not support this attribute.



# Table Attribute

```
using System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations.Schema;

[Table("StudentMaster", Schema="Admin")]
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```

```
using System.ComponentModel.DataAnnotations.Schema;

[Table("StudentMaster")]
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```

- It overrides the default convention in EF 6 and EF Core. As per the default conventions, EF 6 creates a table name matching with **<DbSet<TEntity> property name>** + 's' (or 'es') in a context class
- Table Attribute: **[Table(string name, Properties:[Schema = string])]**
- **name**: Name of the Db table.
- **Schema**: Name of the Db Schema in which a specified table should be created. (Optional)

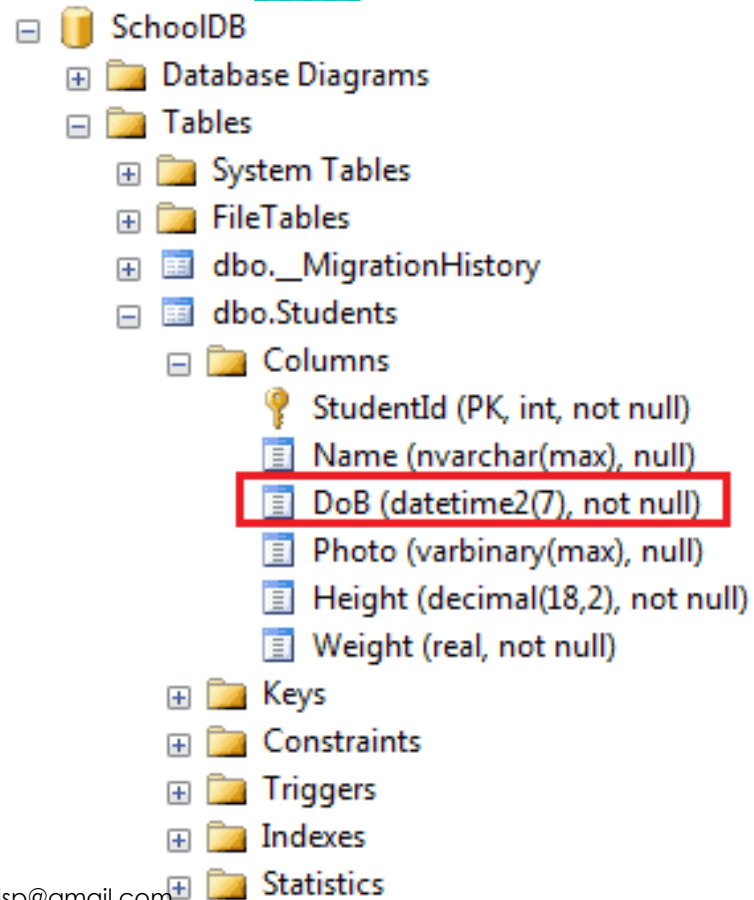
# Column Attribute

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }

    [Column("Name")]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
    public DateTime? DateOfBirth { get; set; }
    public byte[] Photo { get; set; }
    public decimal Height { get; set; }
    public float Weight { get; set; }
}
```

- The Column attribute overrides the default convention.
- it creates a column in a db table with the same name and order as the property names.
- **[Column (string name, Properties:[Order = int],[TypeName = string])**
- **name**: Name of a column in a db table.
- **Order**: Order of a column, starting with zero index. (Optional)
- **TypeName**: Data type of a column. (Optional)

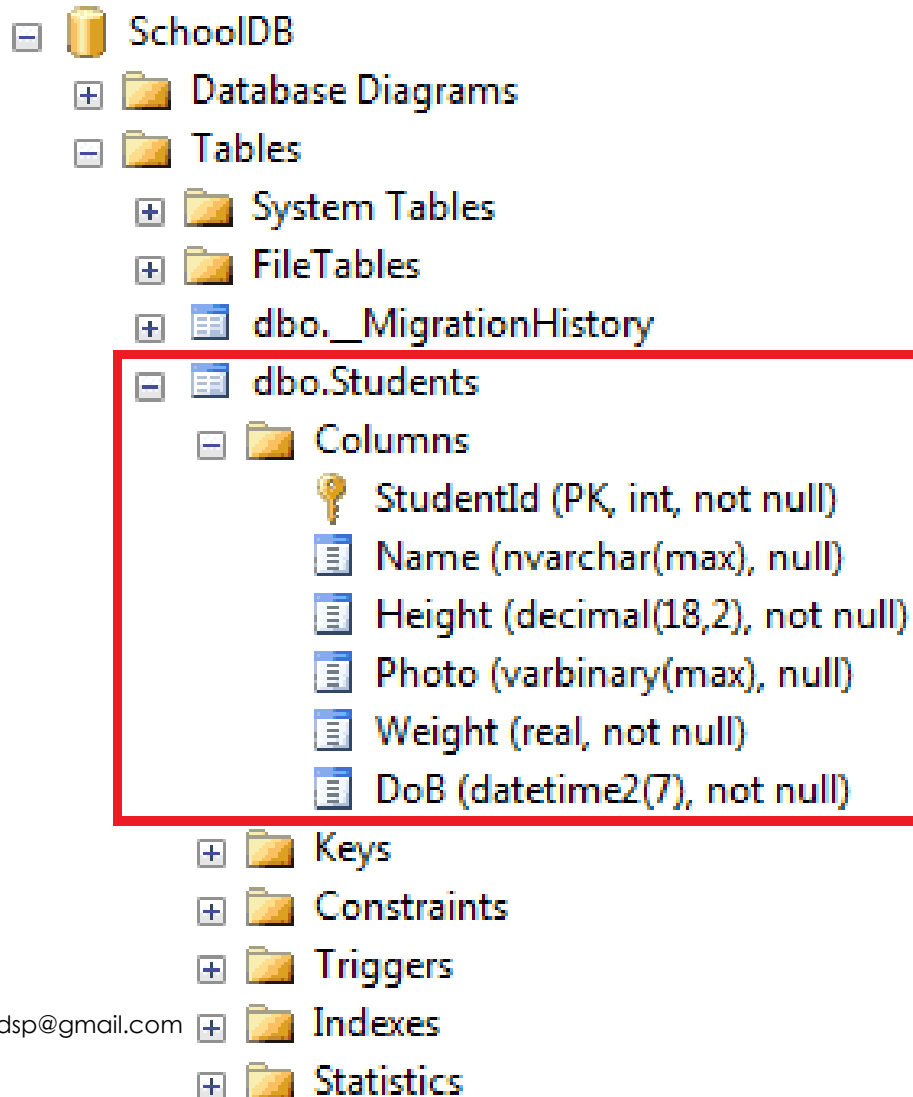
# Column Data Type



```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }

    [Column("Name")]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
    [Column("DoB", TypeName="DateTime2")]
    public DateTime DateOfBirth { get; set; }
    public byte[] Photo { get; set; }
    public decimal Height { get; set; }
    public float Weight { get; set; }
}
```

# Column Order



```
public class Student
{
    [Column(Order = 0)]
    public int StudentID { get; set; }

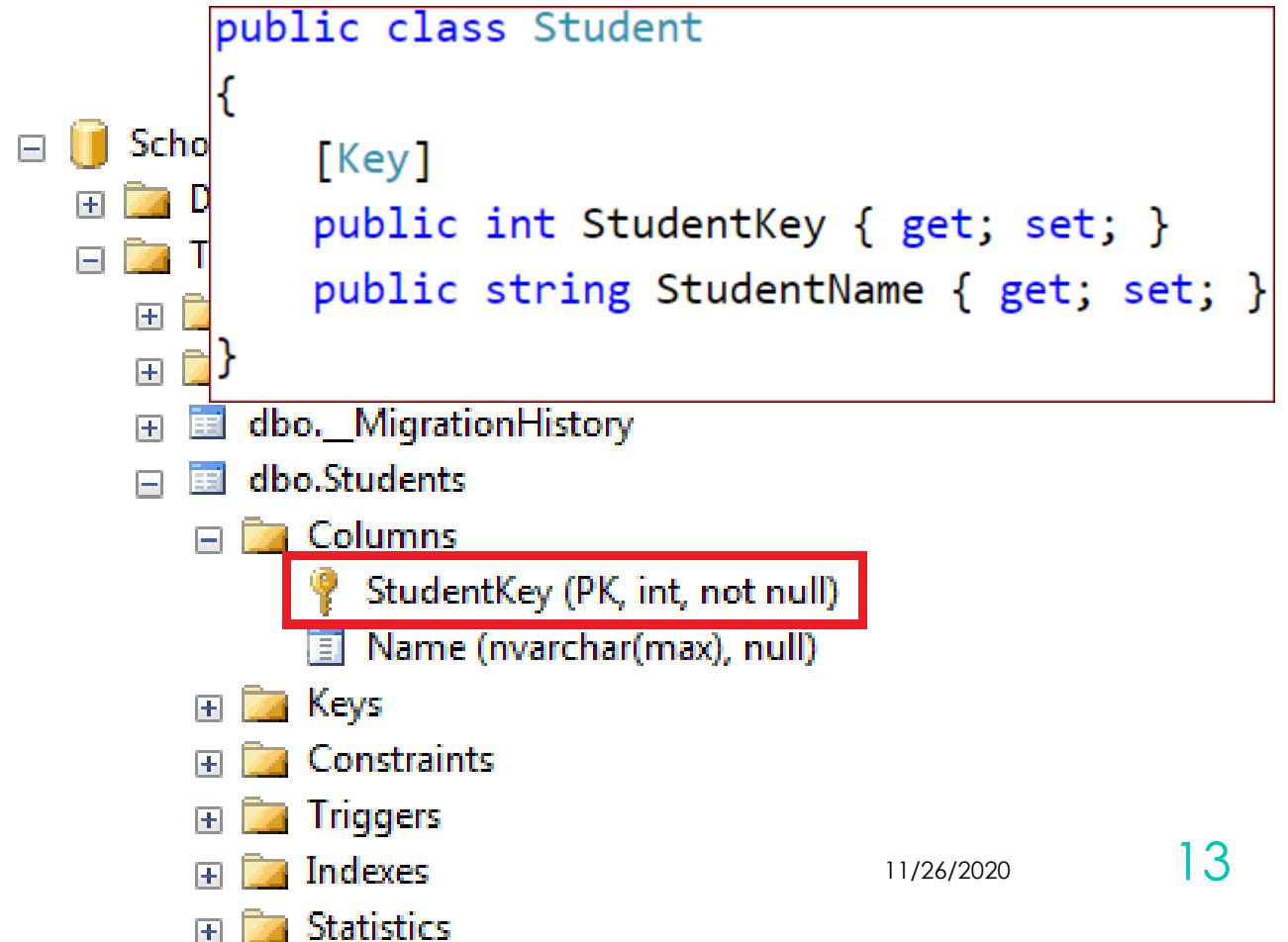
    [Column("Name", Order = 1)]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    [Column("DoB", Order = 5)]
    public DateTime DateOfBirth { get; set; }
    [Column(Order = 3)]
    public byte[] Photo { get; set; }
    [Column(Order = 2)]
    public decimal Height { get; set; }
    [Column(Order = 4)]
    public float Weight { get; set; }
}
```

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# Key Attribute

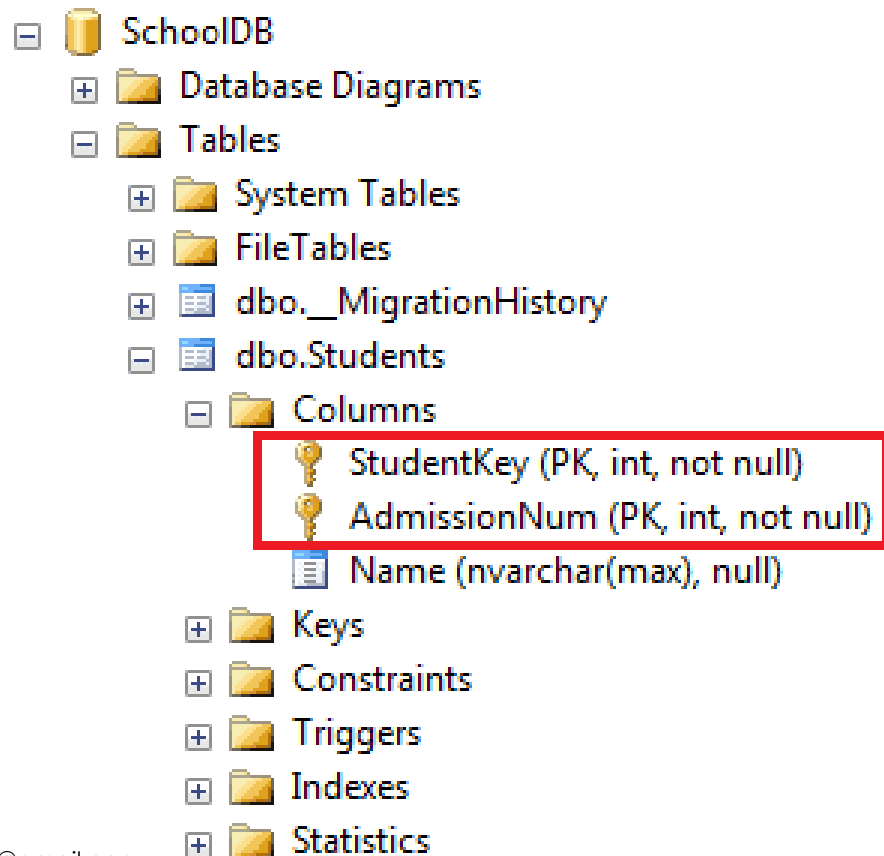
- The default convention creates a primary key column for a property whose name is **Id** or **<Entity Class Name>Id**.
- The Key attribute overrides this default convention.



The screenshot displays the SQL Server Enterprise Manager interface. On the left, a tree view shows the database structure, including a folder for 'Columns' under the 'dbo.Students' table. The 'StudentKey (PK, int, not null)' column is highlighted with a red box. On the right, a code window shows the C# class definition for 'Student', which includes a '[Key]' attribute and 'get; set;' methods for 'StudentKey' and 'StudentName'.

```
public class Student
{
    [Key]
    public int StudentKey { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```

# Composite key using the Key attribute



```
public class Student
{
    [Key]
    [Column(Order=1)]
    public int StudentKey { get; set; }

    [Key]
    [Column(Order=2)]
    public int AdmissionNum { get; set; }

    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```

# NotMapped Attribute

- The [NotMapped] attribute overrides this default convention
- **Note:** EF also does not create a column for a property which does not have either getters or setters

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentId { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    [NotMapped]
    public int Age { get; set; }
}
```

```
public class Student
{
    private int _age = 0;

    public int StudentId { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
    public string City { get { return StudentName; } }
    public int Age { set { _age = value; } }
}
```



# ForeignKey Attribute

- It overrides the default conventions
- **Syntax: [ForeignKey(name string)]**
- **name**: Name of the associated navigation property or the name of the associated foreign key(s).

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    //Foreign key for Standard
    public int StandardId { get; set; }
    public Standard Standard { get; set; }
}

public class Standard
{
    public int StandardId { get; set; }
    public string StandardName { get; set; }

    public ICollection<Student> Students { get; set; }
}
```

# ForeignKey

- The [ForeignKey] attribute overrides the default convention for a foreign key
- **[ForeignKey(NavigationPropertyName)]** on the foreign key scalar property in the dependent entity
- **[ForeignKey(ForeignKeyPropertyName)]** on the related reference navigation property in the dependent entity
- **[ForeignKey(ForeignKeyPropertyName)]** on the navigation property in the principal entity

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    [ForeignKey("StandardRefId")]
    public int StandardRefId { get; set; }
    public Standard Standard { get; set; }
}
```

```
public class Standard
{
    public int StandardId { get; set; }
    public string StandardName { get; set; }

    public ICollection<Student> Students { get; set; }
}
```

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```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    public int StandardRefId { get; set; }
    [ForeignKey("StandardRefId")]
    public Standard Standard { get; set; }
}
```

```
public class Standard
{
    public int StandardId { get; set; }
    public string StandardName { get; set; }

    [ForeignKey("StandardRefId")]
    public ICollection<Student> Students { get; set; }
}
```

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    public int StandardRefId { get; set; }
    public Standard Standard { get; set; }
}

public class Standard
{
    public int StandardId { get; set; }
    public string StandardName { get; set; }

    [ForeignKey("StandardRefId")]
    public ICollection<Student> Students { get; set; }
}
```

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# Index Attribute

```
class Student
{
    public int Student_ID { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }

    [Index]
    public int RegistrationNumber { get; set; }
}
```

```
[Index( "INDEX_REGNUM", IsClustered=true, IsUnique=true )]
public int RegistrationNumber { get; set; }
```

# InverseProperty

- used when two entities have more than one relationship
- the Course and Teacher entities have two one-to-many relationships.
- EF API cannot determine the other end of the relationship. It will throw the following exception for the above example during migration.

```
public class Course
{
    public int CourseId { get; set; }
    public string CourseName { get; set; }
    public string Description { get; set; }

    public Teacher OnlineTeacher { get; set; }
    public Teacher ClassroomTeacher { get; set; }
}

public class Teacher
{
    public int TeacherId { get; set; }
    public string Name { get; set; }

    public ICollection<Course> OnlineCourses { get; set; }
    public ICollection<Course> ClassroomCourses { get; set; }
}
```

# InverseProperty

- To solve this issue, use the [InverseProperty] attribute in the above example to configure the other end of the relationship as shown below.

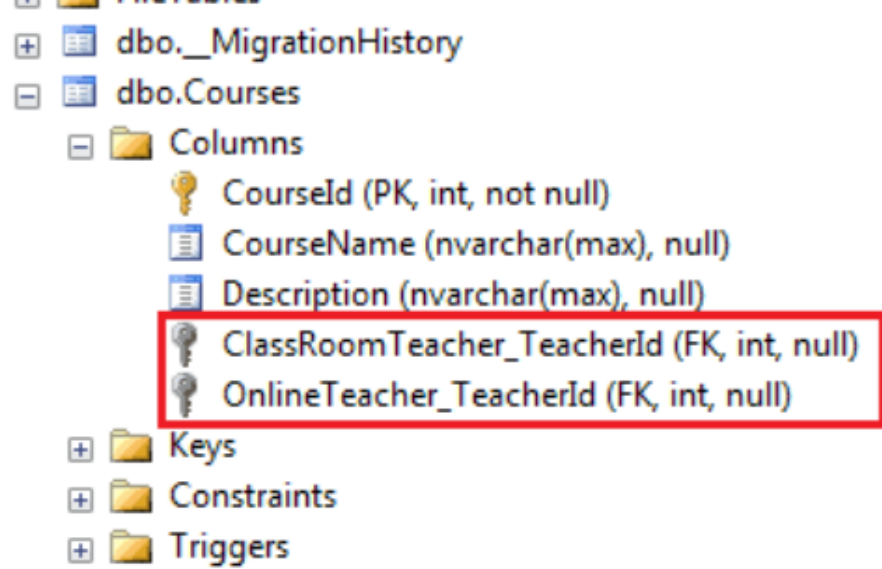
```
public class Course
{
    public int CourseId { get; set; }
    public string CourseName { get; set; }
    public string Description { get; set; }

    public Teacher OnlineTeacher { get; set; }
    public Teacher ClassroomTeacher { get; set; }
}

public class Teacher
{
    public int TeacherId { get; set; }
    public string Name { get; set; }

    [InverseProperty("OnlineTeacher")]
    public ICollection<Course> OnlineCourses { get; set; }
    [InverseProperty("ClassRoomTeacher")]
    public ICollection<Course> ClassroomCourses { get; set; }
}
```



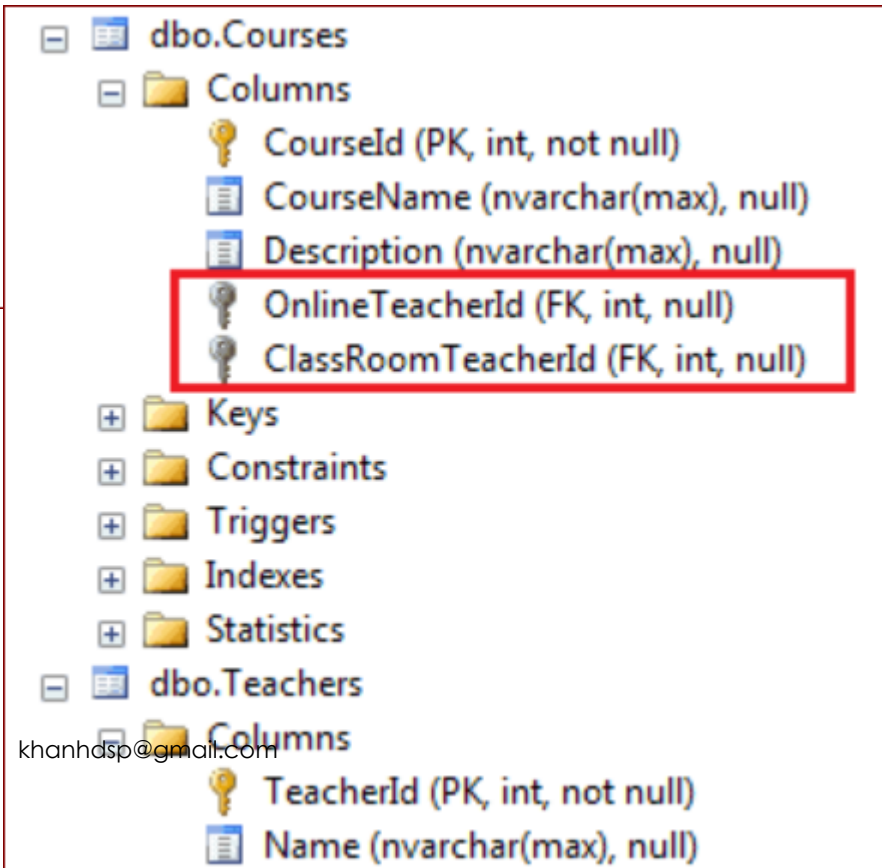


```
public string CourseName { get; set; }  
public string Description { get; set; }
```

```
[ForeignKey("OnlineTeacher")]  
public int? OnlineTeacherId { get; set; }  
public Teacher OnlineTeacher { get; set; }
```

```
[ForeignKey("ClassRoomTeacher")]  
public int? ClassRoomTeacherId { get; set; }  
public Teacher ClassRoomTeacher { get; set; }
```

```
}
```



```
public class Teacher  
{
```

```
public int TeacherId { get; set; }  
public string Name { get; set; }
```

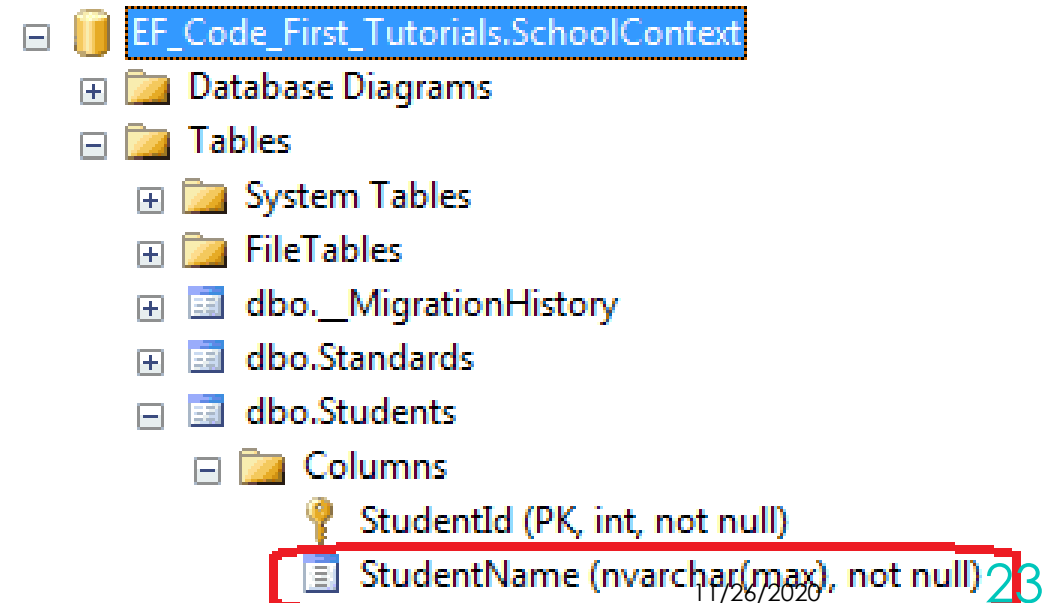
```
[InverseProperty("OnlineTeacher")]  
public ICollection<Course> OnlineCourses { get; set; }  
[InverseProperty("ClassRoomTeacher")]  
public ICollection<Course> ClassRoomCourses { get; set; }  
}
```



# Required Attribute

- EF will create a NOT NULL column in a database table for a property on which the Required attribute is applied

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    [Required]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```



# MaxLength, [StringLength(50)]

- The MaxLength attribute specifies the maximum length of data value allowed for a property
- Sets the size of a corresponding column in the database
- It can be applied to the **string** or **byte[]** properties of an entity.

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    [StringLength(50)]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```

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```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentID { get; set; }
    [MaxLength(50)]
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
}
```

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# DatabaseGenerated

- EF creates an IDENTITY column in the database for all the id (key) properties of the entity, by default
- DatabaseGenerated data annotation attribute to configure how the value of a property will be generated

- 1.DatabaseGeneratedOption.None
- 2.DatabaseGeneratedOption.Identity
- 3.DatabaseGeneratedOption.Computed

# DatabaseGeneratedOption.Computed

```
protected override void OnModelCreating(ModelBuilder modelBuilder)
{
    modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
        .Property(s => s.CreatedDate)
        .HasDefaultValueSql("GETDATE()");
}
```

```
set; }
public string StudentName { get; set; }
public DateTime? DateOfBirth { get; set; }
public decimal Height { get; set; }
public float Weight { get; set; }

[DatabaseGenerated(DatabaseGeneratedOption.Computed)]
public DateTime CreatedDate { get; set; }
}
```

# Fluent API Configurations

- Entity Framework Fluent API is used to configure domain classes to override conventions
- It provides more options of configurations than Data Annotation attributes.
- To write Fluent API configurations, override the `OnModelCreating()` method of `DbContext` in a context class, as shown below

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Write Fluent API configurations here
    }
}
```

# Fluent API Configurations (2)

- Fluent API configures the following aspect of a model in Entity Framework 6:
  - Model-wide Configuration: Configures the default Schema, entities to be excluded in mapping, etc.
  - Entity Configuration: Configures entity to table and relationship mappings e.g. PrimaryKey, Index, table name, one-to-one, one-to-many, many-to-many etc.
  - Property Configuration: Configures property to column mappings e.g. column name, nullability, Foreignkey, data type, concurrency column, etc.

# Entity Mappings using Fluent API

## ○ Configure Default Schema

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDbContext(): base()
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Configure default schema
        modelBuilder.HasDefaultSchema("Admin");
    }
}
```



# Entity Mappings using Fluent API

## ○ Map Entity to Table

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDBContext(): base()
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Configure default schema
        modelBuilder.HasDefaultSchema("Admin");

        //Map entity to table
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>().ToTable("StudentInfo");
        modelBuilder.Entity<Standard>().ToTable("StandardInfo","dbo");
    }
}
```

# Entity Mappings using Fluent API

## ○ Map Entity to Multiple Tables

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDbContext(): base()
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>().Map(m =>
        {
            m.Properties(p => new { p.StudentId, p.StudentName});
            m.ToTable("StudentInfo");
        }).Map(m => {
            m.Properties(p => new { p.StudentId, p.Height, p.Weight, p.Photo});
            m.ToTable("StudentInfoDetail");
        });

        modelBuilder.Entity<Standard>().ToTable("StandardInfo");
    }
}
```

# Property Mappings using Fluent API

- Using Fluent API, you can change the corresponding column name, type, size, Null or NotNull, PrimaryKey, ForeignKey, concurrency column, etc.

```
public class Student
{
    public int StudentKey { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
    public DateTime DateOfBirth { get; set; }
    public byte[] Photo { get; set; }
    public decimal Height { get; set; }
    public float Weight { get; set; }

    public Standard Standard { get; set; }
}

public class Standard
{
    public int StandardKey { get; set; }
    public string StandardName { get; set; }

    public ICollection<Student> Students { get; set; }
}
```

# Configure Primary Key and Composite Primary Key

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDbContext(): base()
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Configure primary key
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>().HasKey<int>(s => s.StudentKey);
        modelBuilder.Entity<Standard>().HasKey<int>(s => s.StandardKey);

        //Configure composite primary key
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>().HasKey<int>(s => new { s.StudentKey, s.StudentName });
    }
}
```

# Configure Column Name, Type and Order

- **Property()** method is used to configure a property of an entity.
- **HasColumnName()** method is used to change the column name of the DateOfBirth property.
- **HasColumnOrder()** methods change the order
- **HasColumnType()** methods change datatype of the corresponding column.

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDbContext(): base()
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Configure Column
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
            .Property(p => p.DateOfBirth)
            .HasColumnName("DoB")
            .HasColumnOrder(3)
            .HasColumnType("datetime2");
    }
}
```

# Configure Null or NotNull Column

- Use **IsOptional()** method to create a **nullable column** for a property.
- Use **IsRequired()** method to create a **NotNull column**.

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    public SchoolDBContext(): base()
    {
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
    public DbSet<Standard> Standards { get; set; }

    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        //Configure Null Column
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
            .Property(p => p.Heigth)
            .IsOptional();

        //Configure NotNull Column
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
            .Property(p => p.Weight)
            .IsRequired();
    }
}
```



# Configure Column Size

- **HasMaxLength()** method to set the size of a column.
- **IsFixedLength()** method converts nvarchar to nchar type.
- **HasPrecision()** method changed the precision of the decimal column.

```
protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
{
    //Set StudentName column size to 50
    modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
        .Property(p => p.StudentName)
        .HasMaxLength(50);

    //Set StudentName column size to 50 and change datatype to nchar
    //IsFixedLength() change datatype from nvarchar to nchar
    modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
        .Property(p => p.StudentName)
        .HasMaxLength(50).IsFixedLength();

    //Set size decimal(2,2)
    modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
        .Property(p => p.Height)
        .HasPrecision(2, 2);
}
```

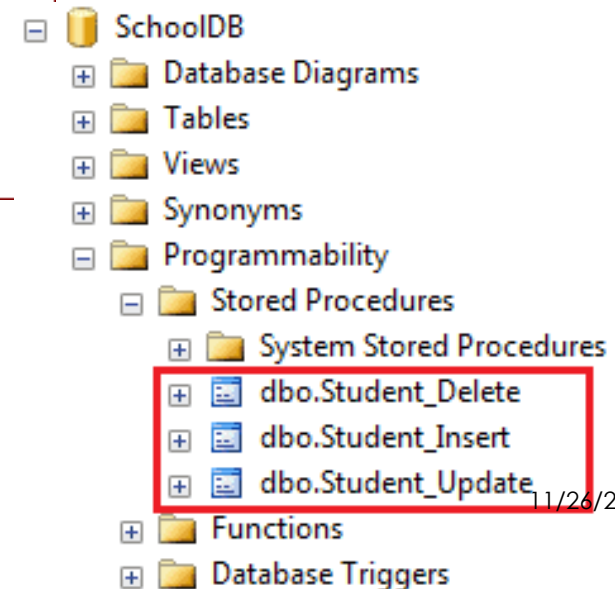


# Stored Procedures in Entity Framework

```
public class SchoolContext: DbContext
{
    protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
    {
        modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
            .MapToStoredProcedures();
    }

    public DbSet<Student> Students { get; set; }
}
```

```
class Student
{
    public int StudentId { get; set; }
    public string StudentName { get; set; }
    public DateTime DoB { get; set; }
}
```



```
CREATE PROCEDURE [dbo].[Student_Insert]
    @StudentName [nvarchar](max),
    @DoB [datetime]
AS
BEGIN
    INSERT [dbo].[Students]([StudentName], [DoB])
    VALUES (@StudentName, @DoB)

    DECLARE @StudentId int
    SELECT @StudentId = [StudentId]
    FROM [dbo].[Students]
    WHERE @@ROWCOUNT > 0 AND [StudentId] = scope_identity()

    SELECT t0.[StudentId]
    FROM [dbo].[Students] AS t0
    WHERE @@ROWCOUNT > 0 AND t0.[StudentId] = @StudentId
END
```

```
CREATE PROCEDURE [dbo].[Student_Update]
    @StudentId [int],
    @StudentName [nvarchar](max),
    @DoB [datetime]
AS
BEGIN
    UPDATE [dbo].[Students]
    SET [StudentName] = @StudentName, [DoB] = @DoB
    WHERE ([StudentId] = @StudentId)
END
```

```
CREATE PROCEDURE [dbo].[Student_Delete]
    @StudentId [int]
AS
BEGIN
    DELETE [dbo].[Students]
    WHERE ([StudentId] = @StudentId)
END
```

# Map Custom Stored Procedures to an Entity

```
protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder)
{
    modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
        .MapToStoredProcedures(p => p.Insert(sp => sp.HasName("sp_InsertStudent").Parameter(pm => pm.
            .Update(sp => sp.HasName("sp_UpdateStudent").Parameter(pm => pm.StudentName, "name"))
            .Delete(sp => sp.HasName("sp_DeleteStudent").Parameter(pm => pm.StudentId, "Id")))
        );
}
```

```
protected override void OnModelCreating(DbModelBuilder modelBuilder) {
    modelBuilder.Entity<Student>()
        .MapToStoredProcedures(p => p.Insert(sp => sp.HasName("sp_InsertStudent").Parameter(pm => pm.StudentName, "name").Result(rs => rs.StudentId,
        .Update(sp => sp.HasName("sp_UpdateStudent").Parameter(pm => pm.StudentName, "name"))
        .Delete(sp => sp.HasName("sp_DeleteStudent").Parameter(pm => pm.StudentId, "Id"))) );
}
```