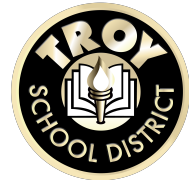


Summer Tech Fun

Check out our list of cool sites that you can use in your classroom next year in a variety of different ways.



[Prezi](#)

What? Cloud based three dimensional presentation software

Why? Presentations flow more like a mind map and can be accessed in a nonlinear format.

How? Create a free account. Click [HERE](#) for tutorial info.

Where? www.Prezi.com

Cost? Free

[GREAT iPad Apps](#)

Educreations, iMovie, Notebook, Noteability, Book Creator, Spreaker DJ (podcasting), Keynote

[Padlet](#)

What? Paper for the web. A wall to post opinions, thoughts, answers, images, videos.

Why? BYOD/IPAD Ready. Accessible by any internet device. Super easy. Collaboration.

Private or Public Walls. Embeddable on a website.

How? Sign up. Create a wall, share your address. Post away.

Where? www.padlet.com

Cost? FREE.

[Google Education](#)

What? Access, Collaboration, Storage.

Why? Gives students a heavily monitored email address. Allows them the free use of the Office Suite. Paper less. BYOD/IPAD ready. Can use the account to sign up for other accounts.

How? District signs up for a free google education account. Can request more users, personalize it to the districts wants/needs. Sync with Active Directory.

Where? For today, use your gmail. For the future, www.google.com/edu

Cost? Free.

[Weebly](#)

What? Website

Why? Allows your students an online presence. Allows you one as well! Lots of themes, very professional looking. Ability to upload files, videos, pictures, audio clips.

How? Plug and play. Add different pages. No html coding needed.

Where? <http://education.weebly.com/>

Cost? Free. Premium gets you more options and more storage space, but unless you're a superuser you should be fine with the free.

Edmodo

What? Your classroom on the web. Poll students, answer questions, assign homework, collect assignments, grade and give feedback.

Why? Students can access resources and help from anywhere with internet. Edmodo mimics the logic of Facebook to present information in a way that is familiar and relevant to students.

How? Teacher signs up for a teacher account and gives students a code to connect to a class. No manual input required.

Where? www.edmodo.com

Cost? Free. There is a district license option available that provides some nice extra features but there is never a cost to teachers or students.

Twitter

What? Social Media.

Why? Give students reminders, post information you didn't get to in class, cool links, infographics and answer questions. Perfect for a flipped classroom.

How? Create your own account, establish a hashtag that both your students and you will utilize.

Where? www.twitter.com

Cost? FREE.

Sliderocket

What? Yet another presentation tool.

Why? More features, auto save, allows the more artistic student to express themselves. Save as a pdf or pptx. Embedded Youtube. Many designs and color schemes. Collaborative.

How? Create an account and start making your own presentation.

Where? www.sliderocket.com

Cost? Free. There is a premium, but I don't find you need to upgrade.

Infuse Learning

What? Online student response system.

Why? Works on any device with internet access regardless of operating system.

How? A teacher sets up an account and is assigned a digital classroom number. Students go to the website and enter the classroom number

Where? www.infuselearning.com

Cost? Free.

Spreaker

What? Create your own internet radio station or podcast.

Why? Makes podcasting easy for students and teachers. One stop shop for recording and hosting. iPad app and web app for computers.

How? Download the free Spreaker DJ app, record your podcast and follow the prompts to sign up for a free Spreaker account to host it.

Where? www.Spreaker.com, [iTunes App Store](#)

Cost? Free - 10 hours of storage and hosting (Additional Spreaker account options available)

[Voicethread](#)

What? Collaborative commenting on a shared presentation.

Why? Students or staff can share a presentation and add their own comments, video and audio. Great for multimedia discussion of topics and lessons. Treat it like an interactive forum.

How? Download the Voicethread app or go online to Voicethread.com and sign up.

Where? <http://voicethread.com>, [iTunes App Store](#)

Cost? Free (Free account limited to 5 voice threads. 3 minutes of audio and 50 pictures per voice thread)

[VoiceThread Explained](#)

[WeVideo](#)

What? Collaborative online video editing.

Why? Students can work together on a video project without having to be on the same computer or even in the same room.

How? Go to WeVideo.com and signup for a free account. A video tutorial will guide you through your first use. Students should sign up for their own accounts to make the most of this service. (Don't try to share one account with an entire class.) Click [HERE](#) for a tutorial video.

Where? www.WeVideo.com

Cost? Free (Free account is limited to 5gb of storage and a maximum of 15 minutes of exported video per month.

More to check out!

[Infogr.am](#) - Graphs and Stats

[Quizlet](#) - Vocab and Flashcards

[Remind 101](#) - Free text reminders and messages from you to your parents and students.

[Wikispaces](#) - Click [HERE](#) for a tutorial.

[Diigo](#) - Collaborative online bookmarking

[Tagxedo / Wordle](#) - Word Art