



Collaboration Tools for Digital Classrooms



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TECHNOLOGY IS EVERYWHERE AND THAT INCLUDES EDUCATION. Today's schools are implementing technology as it enables them to collaborate and communicate more effectively with their students, teachers, parents and community.

Digital classrooms can help keep students more engaged and focused while working on projects. As an educator, there are many tools that will help make your classrooms more fun and interactive, and where your students can learn and shine together.

Here are six collaboration tools that can help you create your digital classrooms.

Edmodo

Edmodo is one of the most popular, web-based education tools, free to teachers and students. It enables educators to connect and collaborate with students, parents and each other in a safe and easy way. Edmodo works on multiple platforms and devices so it is perfect for sharing content, providing assignments or having a dialogue, in or out of the classroom. [edmodo.com](https://www.edmodo.com)

Kahoot!

Kahoot! promotes student learning in a fun and interactive environment. This free game-based learning platform allows teachers to create presentations, quizzes and games in just minutes and on any device. There is zero setup time and no player account required. [getkahoot.com](https://www.getkahoot.com)

Bubbl.us

Brainstorming made easy! This free online tool allows educators to easily create idea maps, which can be exported into different formats, saved and edited collaboratively. It helps students to organize ideas, develop vocabulary, unleash creativity or just work on a project together with their teacher. [bubbl.us](https://www.bubbl.us)

LearnBoost

LearnBoost is free classroom management and grade book software, that educators can use to track students' progress, as well as generate reports and analytics in real time. LearnBoost can also track attendance, maintain schedules, integrate Google Apps and share students' progress with parents on a safe and secure platform. [learnboost.com](https://www.learnboost.com)

Google Drive

Google Drive (formerly Google Docs) is a secure personal cloud storage and synchronization service created by Google.

Users can share and edit documents, spreadsheets and presentations with their collaborators from any device. It allows you to store up to 15 GB of files for free. google.ca/drive

Skype

Skype users can make video and audio calls, exchange chat messages, share files, hold presentations and create group meetings. Skype can play an important role in bringing classrooms together, and inviting collaborators or special guests into the classroom or school. skype.com



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