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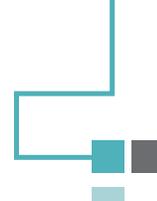
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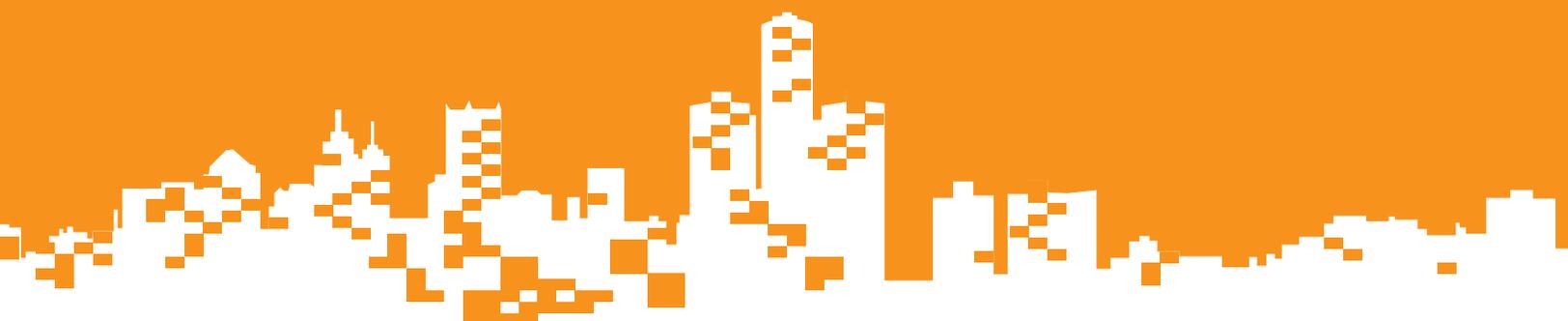


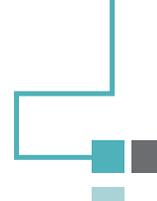
If you are like most educators, you’re on an incessant prowl for new ways to engage your students. As someone who doesn’t have a lot of time—and is determined to make good use of what time you do have—it is likely that you’re also looking for ways to streamline your curriculum and stay organized. You may be a “tech-head” already, but you don’t have to be to make any of these 50 user-friendly websites and apps a part of your everyday life.

Google “Top Apps for Educators”; you’ll find plenty of compilations out there. Too often, though, these “greatest hits” err on the side of quantity over quality. As a result, you end up wading through a laundry list of clunkers and dead links.

Instead of striving for quantity, **we’ve boiled down our favorites list to what we consider to be the best, no-filler-added websites and apps for educators out there.** Our descriptions of each resource are brief and lighthearted—and hopefully, substantive enough to give you a sense for whether or not they will fit your students’ and your needs.

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Apps for the Unorganized

1Password (Cost varies with operating system)

Since we're providing you with 50 new apps and websites, you can bet that you're going to need at least half that many passwords—and if you are as “organized” as I am, you'll never succeed in making them all the same. Yes, your dog's name, followed by “1-2-3” will work for a lot of these, but what about those dour websites who insist you use variations of numbers, letters and capitalizations? What do you do then? You buy 1Password so you don't have to answer the question.

Here's what 1Password will do for you:

- Integrate into Safari and Firefox
- Capture login information as you input it
- Generate robust passwords for you
- Safely store credit card numbers

Assign-A-Day (Free)

Remember that week between Christmas and the New Year when you arduously labored over every detail of your course schedule? Do you remember doing this *instead* of playing Up-words and drinking gingerbread lattes with your husband while you wore your favorite Bill Cosby Christmas sweater? One last question: Do you remember how your students lost the syllabus on January 2?

Go green. Go paperless. Go frustration free with an online teacher-managed calendar.

With Assign-A-Day, you can create a calendar for each class and add assignments for the students to view. Students view their teachers' calendars in order to see assignments for classes they might have missed, or to get an overview of the class.

Attendance2 (\$4.99)

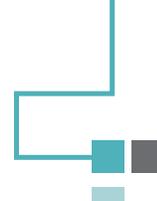
Taking attendance is as foolproof as it gets. Or is it? Be honest, how long was it before you misplaced or spilled Starbucks on your attendance records last semester? And if you've never done that, how about the bother of having to manually enter the numbers into your computer at the end of the year?

Attendance2 streamlines the attendance-keeping process. Import your students' names via Dropbox or email and customize each name with the built-in flashcard function that will put the name with the face—literally. So when you're looking out into a sea of unfamiliar faces on the first day of class, relax: Snap a photo, upload it to the app and make your mom proud. You'll never blank on your students' names again.

Free your mind from password overload. 1Password manages your passwords and e-identity.

Docs Anywhere (Free)

Anywhere, yep. **Docs Anywhere allows you to copy your documents to your “i-device” and take them wherever you go.** Since documents are transferred through USB, you're never a hostage to a vindictive wireless network.



[Dropbox](#) (Free)

Do you just need some space?

Heal your *attachment disorder!* If you download Dropbox, you can finally stop *attaching* and emailing yourself all of the content you need to access on your other computer(s).

Now that you have up to **3 GB of additional free space at your disposal**, you can stop dragging and dropping miscellaneous items into that clunky, pocket-lint filled USB drive. “But what if I don’t have Internet access?” you say. Ye of little faith. Simply add files to your “Favorites” and view them offline to your heart’s content.

[Evernote](#) (Free)

You’ve just assigned a research paper. Where is the first place your students go? If you said “the stacks in the library” you’re even more old school than I am. No, your students are going to go online to find their sources; they’re also going to deplete your ink and paper supply in the process. Sure, they can cut, paste and print what they need, but how are they going to print that [Terry Gross](#) interview they need? Why, they’re going to **use Evernote to save any of the text, JPGs, PDFs and audio files so that they can access every bit of it later on—even when they aren’t online.**

If 40 MP of space a month is sufficient, the app is completely free. If, however, you plan on using up to 500 MP a month, you can upgrade to a premium account for only \$5 a month.

[faxZero](#) (Free)

No need to head to Kinko’s—or even the office, for that matter. **Simply attach your DOC, DOCX, or PDF file(s) and send a fax anywhere** in the United States or Canada for free. International fax rates vary.

[Harvest - Time/Expense Tracking](#) (\$12/month)

Education expenses are tax-deductible. When tax time rolls around this **app provides easy expenses totaling for your tax accountant** or TurboTax.

[LanSchool Teacher’s Assistant](#) (Free)

This app **helps you monitor/censor student activity on classroom computers.** Finally, you don’t have to be at every computer all the time.

[Netvibes](#) (Basic membership is free)

Open up Mozilla and click on “bookmarks.” It’s a mess, isn’t it? What if you could **view all 200 of your favorite websites on one site?** One place, one page. Netvibes does just that. But it’s not all about you. Imagine if you could send your students a single link that would take them to a neatly-packaged page where the collection of websites you wanted them to use was right there in front of them. There’d be no confusion about scholarly and unscholarly sources for the rest of the year.

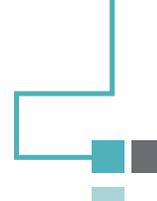
[Pocket](#) (Free)

Pocket calls their app a “**DVR for the web.**” Whenever you find something—an article, video or webpage—interesting, but don’t have the time to view it, you can save it directly from your browser, or from over 300 different apps like Twitter, Flipboard, Pulse, and Zite, and view it later.

[QuickVoice Recorder](#) (Free)

The late comedian [Mitch Hedberg](#) used to say, “I sit at my hotel at night; I think of something that’s funny; then I go get a pen and I write it down. Or if the pen’s too far away, I have to convince myself that what I thought of ain’t funny.” *Agreed.*

The best ideas always seem to come when there isn’t a pen within arm’s reach. Knowing this, **QuickVoice allows you to record messages to yourself. Play them back later for transcription or to take action.**



Keeping Connected: Social Networking

[ASCD Edge](#) (Free)

We can't say enough about this **community for educators**. Like most social networking sites, you can comment on your friends' walls and profile pages. You can also blog, email, post video, audio, photos and comment on over 1,600 blog posts that continue to grow every day. The caliber and quality of information on ASCD Edge is untouchable.

[Curriki](#) (Free; Donations Appreciated)

Like Edmodo, Curriki originated from the idea that technology can, in their words, "play a crucial role in breaking down the barriers of the Educational Divide" by creating **a global community of teachers who collaborate and share resources** with one another. The site draws over 2 million unique visitors a year. You can be visitor 2 million and 1.

[EducationAmericaNetwork](#) (Free)

Looking for a job? Read on. Education American Network (EAN) describes itself as "**a one-stop Internet portal**" where educators and educational administrators are able to

- Search and browse employment opportunities across the U.S.
- Access a National Database of Education Professionals who are actively seeking employment throughout the U.S.
- Access resources through EAN's Resume, Resource, and Employer Centers.
- Receive updates on employment opportunities, education news, professional development opportunities, and conferences through EAN's e-publications.



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[Edmodo](#) (Free)

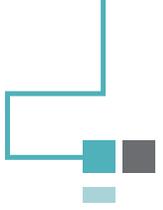
Edmodo is sort of a highbrow version of Facebook. If you are a teacher, you'll be able to connect and trade content with over 8,100,000 educators from all over the world.

Customize your classroom and revolutionize the way you connect with your students (and their parents) in a private, closed community. **Create a virtual classroom and add your students**. Once you do this, you'll be able to share content, upload homework assignments and notifications, and continue discussions all from one user-friendly, cost-efficient platform.

[Engrade](#) (Free)

Over the years, Engrade has attracted over 300,000 teachers and administrators with their free online tools. **Access your gradebook, attendance records, seating chart and at-risk alerts from your iPad, iPhone, Android, or Google Apps account at any time**. Connect with parents via 24/7, private messaging, SMS text alerts and email progress reports.





[Twitter](#) (Free)

We're not limited to 140 characters here and we've got a lot to say:

- **Use Twitter as a Steady Stream of Calendar Updates**

Just picture all the times you go home, are washing the dishes, and think, "I sure hope they remember that Project X is due tomorrow..." Now you can send a Tweet in the same time it takes to think the thought, and all of your students will be reminded. *Magic.*

- **Engage Students in Discussions**

Whether you encourage the use of Twitter inside the classroom or not, there are all kinds of ways to incorporate Tweet-based discussions. Make "Tweeting one discussion *question* and one discussion *reply*" a homework assignment; then use the following class day to discuss the questions and comments. You may be surprised to hear from some little birds who have never made a classroom peep. You can have students write their questions in class and have TAs Tweet them later. Whatever way you decide to use it, a Twitter-based discussion format can help level the participation playing field.

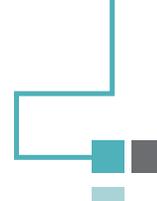
- **Use Twitter to Connect to Real Life**

Tweet news feeds, links to YouTube videos, or even your own pictures or thoughts regarding real life objects or events that are related to your current classroom lesson(s). Students love interactive learning. Your Tweets will keep them in the intellectual loop or introduce them to new and exciting concepts you might not have had time for in the classroom.

- **Keep Parents Connected**

Using Twitter in the Classroom can also be a 2-for-1. Parents can follow the Twitter stream and will feel connected and engaged. Plus, they are much more likely to be on *your* side when it comes to missing assignments or "forgotten" test days.





Apps for Enhancing Your Curriculum

[Audacity](#) (Free)

Say you want to **create a podcast or record a mini-lesson and convert it to an MP3 so you can email it to your students**. Or maybe you want to have your history students record a hypothetical interview with a famous American hero from the era you are studying. We recommend that you stop fumbling around with Aunt Gert's mini tape recorder and **record directly to your hard drive with Audacity**. Whether you're running Windows, Mac, GNU/Linux and other operating systems, it'll work. Use it to

- Record live audio.
- Convert tapes and records into digital recordings or CDs.
- Edit Ogg Vorbis, MP3, WAV or AIFF sound files.
- Cut, copy, splice or mix sounds together.
- Change the speed or pitch of a recording.

The only additional piece of hardware you'll need to invest in is a microphone.

[BookGlutton](#) (Free)

Unpacking the moxie of an Emily Dickinson poem *alone* is fun. But discussing literature as a group will always be a far richer activity. I happen to think reading was meant to be a social activity. What if you could actually meet your students on, say, the second paragraph of page 269 in *A Tale of Two Cities*? Well, if you have BookGlutton, you can.

This app allows readers to create virtual reading groups that meet *inside of the text itself*. Browse 797 open-source (completely free) classics from Dickens, to Hawthorne, to Joyce, Marx and Freud. Once you select your text, sign in with your Facebook login and meet

your students inside any chapter where you can share notes, leave comments on any paragraph and receive notification when they respond. *Genius.*

[EasyBib](#) (Free)

Learning how to cite sources is perhaps one of the most tedious and intimidating activities our students encounter. The rules are arbitrary and subject to frequent changes, which can be frustrating to even the most adroit writers. So why torture yourself (and your students) with the MLA, APA or Chicago-Style manual for half of the year? EasyBib offers an intuitive, web-based interface designed for both automatic citation generation and manual entry. It may not replace the style manual, but by gosh, it'll come close.

[The Education Arcade](#) (Free)

Have your students try [Revolution](#), a multi-player 3D game designed for a 45-minute classroom session in a networked environment.

Revolution is set in Williamsburg on the eve of a violent revolt in Virginia, 1775. Students will be able to experience the social, economic, and political lives of the town's inhabitants and choose from one of seven social perspectives that include an upper class lawyer, a patriotic blacksmith and an African American house slave.

Every action has a character-specific consequence that depends on one's politics, gender and class standing in colonial society. The game teaches students an "ordinary" experience of history that includes passionate rhetoric and heroic battle, but also economic frustration, political indifference, and the mundane of everyday life.



Good Reader (\$4.99)

This app has earned its stripes for several reasons. First, it makes a large, 100 MB PDF file ride like it's on rails. Second, it allows you to annotate PDFs, mark them with arrows, drawings, text insertion marks and highlights.

Lastly, since Good Reader **gives you the ability to take marginal notes or highlight**, you might consider offering the assigned readings in PDF format for your “iEquipped” students and tell them to leave their books at home.

Google Earth (Free)

View satellite imagery, maps, terrain and 3-D buildings from anywhere on Earth and beyond. Want to view panoramic photos of the Apollo Moon missions? How about images of the Mars Rover that have been updated only hours ago?

Google Sky (Free)

Take a gander at **all things celestial**: stars, constellations, galaxies, planets and the Earth's moon—even watch the birth of galaxies through the Hubble Telescope. While you're at it, take a look at the little speck you purchased from the star registry and named after your spouse.

Mathematical Formulas (\$.99)

Sometimes our students can throw us for a loop. **This app provides access to formulas from various disciplines to keep lectures moving forward.**

Taking advantage of these apps can help you streamline your performance both inside and outside your classroom.

MindJet (Free)

Remember “mind mapping?” You would think of a word, phrase, or topic and quickly dash off any whimsical thought you associated with the original?

Most of us enjoyed this activity in grade school, but truth be told, many professional and highly-esteemed writers still use mind mapping as an invention strategy to help them generate ideas and get the creative juices flowing.

MindJet is an app that helps you (or your students) arrange your thoughts in a non-linear way—and without that elusive, dried-up pen you're going to have to dig for when the muse strums the old harp.

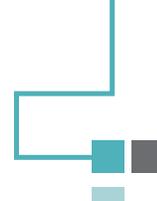
Mixed Ink (Free)

MixedInk is a **collaborative platform that allows groups of any size to weave their ideas together into a collective text** without stepping on each other's loafers. To the right is a great example of how you can use this app in your classroom.

In his teaching blog, [The History Channel This is Not](#), Nata Kogan gives a great example of how Mixed Ink can be used in the classroom:

First, he assigned each student a question based on the reading and asked them to post their responses on their own blog before class the next day. When the class reconvened, Kogan asked students to take their blog post and upload it to Mixed Ink. For the next 20 minutes of class, the students “peer reviewed” each other's answers and typed up substantive feedback inside Mixed Ink.

After this, Kogan placed students in groups and asked them to “remix” their original, pulling specific language from one another's post to create a collective response. If one student wrote a sentence similar to one of their peers, they would see that other sentence pop up and have the option of including it in their draft.



[Molecules](#) (Free)

Science students **get 3-D images of the molecules** they're studying with this engaging and interactive app. Even the non-science enthusiasts will be interested.

[Pages](#) (\$9.99)

Not a graphic designer? No problem. **Pages lets you use graphs, pictures, artsy fonts and designs** to make classroom handouts that are much more engaging.

[Time Toast](#) (Free)

When I was in middle school, we were asked to construct several timelines in our US History class. I chose to outline the major battles of the Civil War; this was a tedious task, one that required several sheets of poster board, an Apple IIE, markers (every one of which dried up immediately) and glue sticks that always seemed to have dog hair mashed onto the end of them.

Put those glue sticks in the [Smithsonian](#) and download Time Toast, **a free timeline generator. With this app, students can add images and text; they can also cite their sources and embed the finished product on any of their favorite social networking sites.**

[Today in History](#) (Free)

Although it's most helpful for history teachers, this app is organized by year so **any teacher can browse and find cross-curricula factoids** to help students connect the dots.

[TodaysMeet](#) (Free)

To quote the famous and long tired *Sunday Times* research study about how the average person fears public speaking more than death is tempting—but let's face it, the [cliché](#) is about as threadbare as your great aunt's [Victorian settee](#).

Here's the point: In the traditional classroom, students enter a tangible space. Ideas are exchanged and grappled with; this requires public discourse. This has worked for many students for hundreds of years. But for others, the thought of piping up during a classroom discussion means the possibility that they could be "wrong," or "stupid," or unable to fully articulate their ideas. As a result, often the most talkative students clamor on while the coy, and often the most insightful, students hide in the back.

TodaysMeet allows students to overcome their social differences by providing a safe, private space for participation.

TodaysMeet is **a microblogging site that allows you to create a private chatroom or [backchannel](#). Now students can "speak up" without actually having to speak.** Once they're in, they can interact with their peers, pose questions and comments so that you can get a real-time gauge of their comprehension and engagement.



Voki (Free)

First students will need to **create their own personalized, speaking avatar**. They can choose from a variety of characters (some human, some not) and customize the mouth, eyes, make-up, skin color and hair. After that, the student will need to give it a voice: upload a text document, call via phone or use a microphone and then publish it to any site that accepts html.

There are endless uses for this app, but here's an example: Imagine that you are working with beginning writers who are still negotiating syntax, sentence clarity and grammar. To inexperienced writers, what they've written on the page makes complete sense—to them, of course. It's only when they hear someone read it out loud to them that their blunders become apparent.

WriteCheck (Varies with subscription)

How many times have you dusted off the old plagiarism speech? How many times have you gone through the style guide on citing sources? How many times a month do you say “plagiarism?” Students and teachers have been having the “heart-to-heart” on this academic felony since time immemorial.

If you're still confused about why plagiarism happens, try something new: **Have your students check their research papers for grammar and plagiarism with software** that has been developed by the creators of [Turnitin](#). WriteCheck will analyze papers against billions of web pages and over 140 million other student papers. Students can pay \$6.95 for a one-time plagiarism and grammar check that includes three resubmissions, or they can upgrade to a five paper (basic) or 20 paper (volume) package.

make an impact

Wordle (Free)

Go to Wordle.net, copy and paste your text and hit “Go.” **Wordle will instantly take a block of text and transmute it into an urbane text graphic based on the frequency of keywords in the text.** The more often a word appears in the text, the larger it is in the graphic. “It looks good, but what's the point?” you ask.

Let's say that you are teaching the classic and relentlessly upbeat Revolutionary War novel, [My Brother Sam is Dead](#). You want your students to compile a list that includes all of the character traits for Sam and Tim. In addition to this, you ask them to cite specific textual examples that give support to the assigned trait. Congrats. You've suddenly made a perfunctory (although important) activity sexy and engaging. Not only will you get a slick peacock arrangement of words that use specific colors and fonts to differentiate character traits from textual support, but you'll be engaging your students in a creative way.



Media & Miscellaneous

[ASCD](#) (*Membership Required For Full Access*)

The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) is an educational leadership organization with over 150,000 members in more than 145 countries. *Educational Leadership*, their e-publication, is a cutting-edge resource that will keep you current on all of the industry's most relevant and buzz-worthy topics. If you are a non-member, you can still access portions of this publication.

What we love about the site is not only that you can browse their exhaustive list of [publications](#), but you can often view and even print several chapters from them without dropping a dime.

[Blockify](#) (*Free*)

Below we talk about Spotify, a free app for streaming just about any song you've ever (and never) heard. The catch, of course, is that your service will be periodically interrupted by a commercial—unless you download Blockify, an app that will sit snug in your system tray and mute Spotify whenever it detects an audio ad. Once it's over, you can get back to the music.

[Current](#) (*Free*)

Since its foundation in 2005 by Al Gore and Joel Hyatt, Current has won a number of major awards including two Emmy's, the Peabody Award and two Livingston Awards. In addition to **viewer-created short documentaries, political commentary and news analysis**, the channel and website is also home to "[Vanguard.](#)" the Peabody Award-winning documentary series that you've never seen—but should. Unlike mainstream TV, Current consistently takes risks, exploring provocative and socially-relevant issues that others wouldn't touch, even if they had an Emmy Award winning insurance policy.

[Documentary Heaven](#) (*Free*)

It doesn't matter where you teach or how old your students are; they're going to struggle when it comes time to select a research topic. It's an irrefutable fact, dare I say.

In my experience, one of the best ways for students to get a sense for the "larger conversation" about a topic is to begin by watching a documentary. It's a far less intimidating place to start than books and articles. In addition to this, documentaries will give them a sense for how a topic should incorporate a broad range of perspectives and voices, but ultimately lead the reader to a specific conclusion.

Documentary Heaven was set up early July 2009 to provide the public with a vast collection of documentaries spanning across every genre out there: music, movies, philosophy, psychology, religion, science, space, war, technology—and this is just the tip of the iceberg.

Give students broader perspective on the subject at hand with free access to documentaries, news analysis and political commentary.

[FamilySearch](#) (*Free*)

Founded in 1894 and funded by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, **Family Search.org houses 2.5 billion names and is dedicated to preserving family records** at absolutely no cost to you. There's no catch as far as I can see.



Fold3 (*Basic membership, with limited access is free; full access is \$11.95/month*)

Fold3 began in 1999 as iArchives, **specializing in digitizing historical newspapers and archival documents for universities and libraries.** Now they provide users with access to 5 million original US military documents including records, letters and photos of the men and women who served our country. Ever heard of a little old speech called "[The Gettysburg Address?](#)"

Freebooks (*Free*)

Let's not overcomplicate things: **23,469 books. Free. Over. Out.**

Google Books (*Free*)

It's a shame that more people don't know about this resource. Google books is bursting at the seams with **millions of books and magazines that Google has scanned, converted to text** (using [optical character recognition](#)), and stored in its digital database just for you, dear reader. Publications in the public domain can be snagged for free and downloaded as PDFs. If a particular text is *not* in the [public domain](#), you can still read large chunks of the book—although Google will have wisely redacted several pages to encourage you to purchase the book.

Don't settle for your favorite *unscholarly* source, Wikipedia. If you or your students are looking for good, solid research, this is a great place to start as it yields results and specific keywords that your library e-catalogue may not be able to find.

Internet Archive (*Free*)

Cancel your Netflix account, scrap your Rhapsody subscription and shred your Blockbuster card. Welcome to the Internet Archive, **a non-profit digital library that offers unrestricted access and permanent storage collections of digitized materials** including music, moving images, and nearly 3 million public-domain books.

LibriVox (*Free*)

We don't doubt that you're tenacious—but are you tenacious enough to read [Ulysses](#)? "Why, who on earth has that kind of time?" you say. Head over to LibriVox.org and excuses be hanged. Once you're there, you can **download free Mp3s of Joyce's famous text, drag and drop into your iPod and listen to someone read it to you** on the way home from work. LibriVox volunteers record chapters of books in the public domain and release the audio files back onto the net. Their goal? To make every single public domain book available as a free audio book.

Spotify (*Free*)

I remember the first time that I heard Billie Holiday's version of "Strange Fruit." No text-book could convey the injustice of racism and Jim Crow like Holiday's doleful croon.

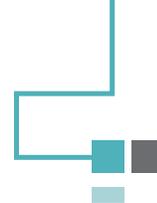
Spotify is a completely **free music-streaming service** that gives you unlimited access to more music than your ears will ever have time to take in. The catch? You'll have to put up with an ad or two for the service—unless you download [Blockify](#) like we suggested above.

TeacherTube (*Free*)

Indeed, YouTube is teeming with useful videos for teachers, but many teachers find that their school has shamefully blacklisted the website. TeacherTube may not have [Honeybadger](#) or [Kung Fu Bear](#), but it will have **relevant, educationally-focused content for both teachers and students.**

Top Documentary Films (*Free*)

If [Documentary Heaven](#) doesn't have what you need, stop by Top Documentary Films and choose from 2,265 (and counting) free documentaries.



[The Master of Education in Educational Technology](#) provides educators – teachers, professionals, and administrators alike – with the knowledge and practical ability to keep up with changes and make choices among an ever-expanding array of technology resources in all aspects of teaching and administration in today’s schools. A center of excellence in the preparation of educators, **Marygrove College in partnership with Lawrence Technological University**, the region’s leader in technology-based education, offers the M.Ed. in Educational Technology degree. Graduates of the program will become leaders in using computers and integrating educational technology in the classrooms. They will also be technology experts in the school and school district. During the course of graduate study, students will develop knowledge and skills necessary to:

- use the computer to enhance teaching
- apply emerging technologies to the creation of educational media
- participate in decision making about adoption of educational technology applications
- make presentations to various audiences using appropriate technologies
- train and coach others in the application of technology.

SPECIFIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

The M.Ed. in Educational Technology program comprises 30 credit hours of graduate study in practiced-oriented courses covering all aspects of integrating technology into the classroom. Completing all coursework for the M.Ed. in Educational Technology, students also receive a State of Michigan Educational Technology Endorsement (NP). A program option permits completion of 21 hours of the required courses for the State of Michigan NP Technology Endorsement without the degree.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

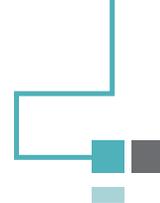
- Bachelor’s degree from an accredited institution
- Minimum 3.0 grade point average
- Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work completed
- Career Plan
- Completed application
- A current Michigan teaching certificate required for the Endorsement

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A [Master of Arts in Educational Leadership](#) will provide students with advanced knowledge and skills in managing and leading the modern school. This program focuses on the principal as the instructional leader and the chief architect of change in the school. In addition to a thorough grounding in the fundamental principles of administrative and management theory and capacity building, students will be introduced to the concept of the principal as change agent working closely with teachers, parents, and community members to create a supportive environment in which teachers can teach and students can learn. Emphasis will be placed on acquiring organizational development, assessment, change skills and identifying and working with the issues facing the urban school administrator.

SPECIFIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

The program is designed for K-12 principals. The program is offered both on-campus and online. The program consists of all the course work described above, as well as Practicum and Special Issues classes which are offered on campus for three days once during the course of the program. On-campus students will also attend these sessions.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Minimum 3.0 grade point average
- Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work completed
- Career Plan
- Interview with program coordinator
- Completed application with \$25 application fee
- Elementary or secondary teaching certificate

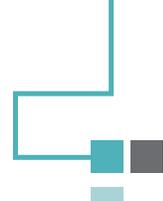
PROGRAM OFFERED

Master of Arts in Educational Leadership leading to School Administrator Certification

The program consists of 36 credit hours of course work, including 11 core classes and one sociology elective.

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Program Coordinator: James J. Rivard, Ed.D



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