

MY NETA CONFERENCE TAKEAWAYS

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BENEFITS OF GOOGLE CLASSROOM

- Easy to use from all devices
- Google Docs can be instantly accessed by students, teachers, and parents
- Distribute and receive assignments instantly
- Ability to give timely feedback and respond to student work is more effective

"WITH GREAT POWER COMES GREAT RESPONSIBILITY"

Before we hand a device to our students, we need to prepare them with rules and routines, just as we do with any part of the school day.

Brainstorming rules and expectations, creating contracts, and a developing plan for how the devices will be cared for and used is beneficial.

12 tips for tech management:
<https://tinyurl.com/n6e5k3o>

WHY USE MINECRAFT IN THE CLASSROOM?

- Minecraft incorporates students in all 5 C's of 21st century learning: collaboration, creativity, communication, critical thinking and digital citizenship.
- Students can work in small groups or whole group creating together.
- Planning, creating, and problem solving in a Minecraft world while working with content area standards is instant engagement!

THE POWER OF SEESAW IN THE CLASSROOM

- share digital creations and classroom activities
- save time on assessments, conferences and newsletters
- create a strong community by involving families
- empower students to document learning as it happens
- develop students' writing, reflecting and critical thinking skills.

GOOGLE EXPEDITIONS

Do you wish you could take students on field trips to see the places they are learning about?

GOOGLE EXPEDITIONS can take you there...

These trips are collections of virtual reality panoramas — 360° panoramas and 3D images — annotated with details, points of interest, and questions that make them easy to integrate into curriculum already used in your classroom!

GOOGLE COMPUTER SCIENCE (CS) CLUBS

A Google CS Club is a great way to introduce computer science to students

It's free and easy to use, materials are provided and support is supplied

There are a variety of themes with 10 hours worth of lessons per theme.

Check out Google CS clubs for your students!

COMPUTER SCIENCE FOR EVERY CHILD: KEYNOTE :: HADI PARTOVI (CODE.ORG)

- Computer science is foundational for any job
- There are not enough computer programmers for available jobs
- Many schools don't teach computer science, but it's the field that leads to the best paying jobs in the country
- Children flock to courses provided in their schools
- Hour of Code/Code.org is a great way to get children excited about CS