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The Learning Journal

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Interactive Learning Session

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Grand Island
Today’s Agenda and Goals

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- Why should I use it?
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What is Seesaw?

A digital portfolio that collects students’ digital and physical work in one place. Everything is organized, making assessment and conferences easier!

A space that each student can own. Built-in tools make it easy for students to capture their learning, reflect, and develop new skills.

A parent communication tool that seamlessly shares what’s going on in your classroom and builds a strong school-home community.

Watch the video to see how students describe Seesaw!
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60 teachers sharing one word that describes Seesaw!

Collaborative
Cool
DABomb
Incredible
Possible
Engaging
Exciting
Versatile
Fantastic
Rad
Creative
Yay
Digital
Amazing
Awesome
Easy
Empowering
Endless
Great
Connectivity
Empower
Fantabulous
Unlimited
Comprehensive
Empowers students to document their learning as it happens.

Develops students’ writing skills, reflection skills and critical thinking skills.

Develops 21st Century skills in safe, moderated environment.
Why Teachers ❤️ Seesaw

- Creates a strong community around learning by involving families
- Organizes and share digital creations and classroom activities
- Saves time on assessments, conferences, and newsletters
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Experience Seesaw as a Student

Grab a device & get ready to create
Before we begin, let’s look at the first tool.

- Photo
- Video
- Drawing
- Camera Roll
- Note
- Link

- rotate
draw on it
record voice
add caption
Project 1
Sign-in and Add a Photo
Various views depending on device

iPad/Android/Kindle

app.seesaw.me
Chromebook/Web
Two options for signing-in

iPad/Android/Kindle

Scan QR Card

app.seesaw.me
Chromebook/Web

Scan QR Card

or

Type class code

Class Code

Email/Google Account

I'm not a student
• Tap photo and take a selfie, or show us a picture of your view
● Tap text tool
● Type your name, grade level, and any additional info you want to share
● Tap ☑ if you are “done with that part”
● Preview your work & option to annotate in another way
● Tap if you are “done with that part”
● Find your student number & tap next to it.
● Touch the ✓ to add it to your Seesaw journal.
• Your item is added after teacher approval
Try it out!

First **Seesaw** entry

- Take a selfie or photo of your view
- Type your name and info you want to share
- Add it to the journal that matches your teacher number
Let’s check in with our class

- Here’s what it looks like right now from the teacher perspective as items are waiting for approval
Project 2
Use the Drawing Tool
● **Draw 3 ways you could use Seesaw**
● **Explain a math concept or problem**

- 50 ÷ 10 = 5

- Try adding a photo, draw on it, and add your voice

- Get hands-on with the materials
Project 3
Use the Video Tool
Record a partner reading a book aloud, then swap.
Use the built-in annotation tools to add layers of content to your work.

- Type a text caption explaining the key message of the book.
Awesome job!

Now you’ve seen first hand how students will add items to their Seesaw Journals!
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Classroom Examples
Writer’s Workshop

Explain a math concept

Science Reflections

Assessment Checks
Defining parallel lines

Collaborative group

Reflect, document, & plan during...
Project based learning
Makerspace
Genius Hour

High school - info pics
Padlet link saved

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Historical Characters Project

ELA: Synonyms

Journal Writing with Peer Feedback

April 15, 2016

When I got to school today, I realized that I left my homework at home. This was not something I was thinking was going to happen today because I worked really hard to finish it. We kinda had a busy night last night, but I made sure to do it.

Right away when I saw that it was not in my backpack, I sort of panicked. I told one of my friends about it and they said, I should just tell Mrs. Johnson. They said that she would understand and not get mad. I never forget my homework.

When I talked with Mrs. Johnson she told me that I should just bring it to school tomorrow. WOW! That was a relief! Now, I can actually not worry about that anymore.

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Sight Words

I can read this week’s sight words.

there
about
explain
school
where
because
able
between
different
couldn’t

Reading Fluency

The Gold Dogs

How would you like to earn your living jumping out of airplanes? The Gold Dogs do just that. They are a special group of Army paratroopers who perform at air shows.

All Army soldiers who jump with parachutes must be in good shape. They go through long training to learn how to jump and how to land. When they are training, they jump with heavy packs. This is because they might have to take food or other supplies to soldiers on the ground.

After they jump from the airplane, they pull a special cord that opens the parachute. It is like a big cloth bag, open at the bottom. It lets the jumper float down to the ground. There is a great deal of skill needed to jump, land, and repack the parachute. Repacking is very important. You must do it right so that it will open the next time it is used.

The Gold Dogs wear gold-colored jump suits and shiny black boots. They are very proud of what they do for the Army. People enjoy seeing them at air shows. When young people see them, they want to become a Gold Dog.
Science Lab

Plant Growth Journal
Counting by 10

Geometry & Multiplication
Cell Cycles in High School
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Class Setup and Class Settings Help

If you need help setting up your Seesaw class or changing class settings, use these resources.

- Follow the Class Setup Checklist
- Watch how to set up a Class Code Class video
- Watch how to set up an Email Class video
Time Saving Tip

Send Newsletters with Seesaw

Idea 1: Use the Note tool to write up notes for the upcoming week. Just a 1, 2, 3 list is fine! Tag with “Everyone” to send home to all parents.

Welcome to Seesaw!

We’ll be using Seesaw to share what your child is doing in school. I’ll also use it to share classroom updates and announcements. You can reply in the comments if you have questions.

This Week:
1. Math: x7 multiplication tables
2. Social studies: Mummies and Ancient Egypt
3. Reading: 15 minutes per night! Book Talks coming soon.
4. Spelling test Friday: Unit 3 spelling words
5. Book Fair next week!

Idea 2: Create a word cloud with topics from the week using http://www.wordclouds.com/ or Word Clouds app. Upload using the Camera Roll/Upload File tool. Record a voice recording explaining what students did this week.
Time Saving Tip

Use Folders to Organize Work

Watch the *video* to learn how to create and use folders!
Time Saving Tip

Save digital creations from many apps into Seesaw. Photos, videos, links, PDFs—all go into Seesaw!

See a list compatible apps [here](#)
Make your plan

◎ What are your next three steps with Seesaw?
◎ **Copy and edit** the note I pushed to the feed and save to your journal
# My Seesaw Plan

(Blue = Teacher Task, White = Student & Teacher Task)

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<td>Create Seesaw Teacher Account. Set up my class. Watch the tutorial and review the checklist on p.3. Questions? Check out the FAQ.</td>
<td>Install Seesaw on student devices. Get Seesaw Class app here. Bookmark the Seesaw website: <a href="https://app.seesaw.me">https://app.seesaw.me</a></td>
<td>Make sure Seesaw works on my wifi. Test signing in as a student and adding a post. Issues? Check out the FAQ.</td>
<td>Find a Seesaw online PD in Your Pk session to attend or watch a recording.</td>
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<td>Check out the Seesaw Student Challenge Lesson Plan for teaching students how to use Seesaw.</td>
<td>Get my Meet the Teacher letter ready to send home to families.</td>
<td>Print out several copies of my Class QR Code Poster.</td>
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<td>Print Student Challenge game boards (K-2 only).</td>
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<td>Print out several copies of Seesaw Posts &amp; Comments Guidelines posters.</td>
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The following activities are completed using the Seesaw Student Challenge as a guide! (Blue = Teacher Task, White = Teacher & Student Task)

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<td>Set a purpose for keeping a journal. Show my class the Student Intro Presentation for K-5 or 6-12.</td>
<td>On my teacher device, help students choose a profile icon of their choice. Pick from Seesaw's icons, or take a photo.</td>
<td>Model how to add a Seesaw post to my students.</td>
<td>Work in groups to take a photo and add it to Seesaw.</td>
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<td>Review the proper handling of student devices.</td>
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<td>Have students sign in to our class by scanning the QR code or join our class using their school email address.</td>
<td>Model how to use the drawing tool. Then practice.</td>
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<td>Create folders to organize work in my class. Watch the Folders Tutorial video.</td>
<td>Add an ELA post to Seesaw. K-2 Plan or all 3-5 Ideas 6-8 Ideas.</td>
<td>Talk about being a good digital citizen, liking and commenting. Share Commenting Guidelines found here.</td>
<td>Model how to add a voice recording. Then practice.</td>
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<td>Add a math post to Seesaw. K-2 Plan or all 3-5 Ideas 5-8 Ideas 9-12 Ideas</td>
<td>Leave a comment on a piece of work from each student to motivate and excite my students!</td>
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Get more help and resources at http://help.seesaw.me or tweet @Seesaw.
Additional Resources for Seesaw Success

- Use the [Seesaw Student Challenge](#) to introduce Seesaw to students. We have grade-leveled plans for K-12.
- Join us for PD in Your PJs tutorial webinar [live](#) or [watch a recording](#)!
- Watch the [Seesaw tutorial videos](#) to learn more about Seesaw features!
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Tip: Digital Citizenship Resources

Print the Posters!

**Seesaw**

**Post Your Wow! Work**
Your blog post represents you and will have a big audience.

- Wow! This is my best work!
- Wow! I figured something out!
- Wow! I did something for the first time!
- Wow! I need to teach you this!

**Always Explain What's Going On**
Explain what is happening in your post so your audience can understand.

- In this post, I am showing ...
- I’m sharing this because ...
- I learned ...

**Only Share Public Information Online**
We do not share private information on our blog.

**The Best Comments Help Us Learn Something New**
- Can you tell me more about ...
- I wish I understood why ...
- I am curious about ...

**Always Be Curious and Respectful**
- What do you think about ...
- Your post reminded me that ...
- This is important to me because ...

**Conversation Starters, Not Conversation Enders**
- This made me think of ...
- I can relate to this because ...
- Have you considered ...

**Be Positive and Build Each Other Up!**
- This was interesting to me because ...
- I think you did a great job because ...
- I really liked ... about your post. Have you thought of ...
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- Follow @Seesaw on Twitter
- Check out the “Seesaw Teachers” group on Facebook
- Go to help.seesaw.me for resources
- Contact me as well!

Thank You!

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More Student Examples to Browse Later
Student Samples from Kindergarten - 2nd

- ELA: Words that rhyme
- ELA: Flip instruction
- ELA: Retelling a story
- ELA: Letter recognition
- Math: Odd and even numbers
- Math: 3D shape hunt
- Math: Making numbers
- Science: Melting ice
- Science: Newton’s laws of motion
- Assessment: Sight words
- Assessment: Oral counting

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Student Samples from 3rd - 5th Grade

- **ELA:** Reading summary
- **ELA:** Spelling rules
- **ELA:** Synonyms
- **Math:** Equivalent fractions
- **Math:** Finding area of a polygon
- **Science:** Weather predictions
- **Science:** Groundhog predictions
Student Samples from Middle & High School

- English: InfoPics
- English: Book Mosaics
- Emoji Vocab (right)
- Writing Portfolio (right)
- Speech: Visual Aids for Speeches/Presentations
- History: Character/Historical Figure ChatterVids