



# Teacher Productivity Tools

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## Assessment Resources

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<b>Intel® Education Assessing Projects</b>	<a href="http://educate.intel.com/en/AssessingProjects">http://educate.intel.com/en/AssessingProjects</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teachers create assessments that address 21st century skills and content knowledge.</li> <li>Database of rubrics, scoring guides, and checklists that can be modified for specific use.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cannot enter scores online.</li> <li>Not designed for assessing students in the <i>Assessing Projects</i> Web site.</li> </ul>	✓	✓ No student use or accounts.	✓ Designed for education.	n/a	
<b>QuizStar*</b>	<a href="http://quizstar.4teachers.org">http://quizstar.4teachers.org</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can create quizzes that are scored online.</li> <li>Can manage multiple classes and quizzes.</li> <li>Can attach multimedia files to questions.</li> <li>Multiple languages.</li> </ul>			✓ Requests students under 13 to use first name and last initial in registration.	✓ Designed for education.	✓	✓

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<b>Google Calendar*</b>	<a href="http://calendar.google.com">http://calendar.google.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Schedule one-time or recurrent events with reminders.</li> <li>• Can create multiple calendars.</li> <li>• Add events, tasks, and appointments.</li> <li>• Add file attachments.</li> <li>• Can invite others to view or edit calendar.</li> <li>• Can embed in Google Web sites.</li> </ul>		✓	✓		Must be of "legal age to form a binding contract."	
<b>HiTask*</b>	<a href="http://hitask.com">http://hitask.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Free version provides only an individual calendar.</li> <li>• Can assign tasks and receive notification when done.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Premium and Business Services are offered at a cost and offer the most collaborative options.</li> </ul>	✓	✓		Must be at least 13 years old.	
<b>Yahoo! Calendar*</b>	<a href="http://calendar.yahoo.com">http://calendar.yahoo.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrated calendar, notepad, e-mail, and contacts.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cannot attach documents to calendar events.</li> </ul>		✓		Must be of "legal age to form a binding	Creates an e-mail account at time of

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standard features include reminders sent to e-mail, Yahoo! Messenger, and mobile device.</li> </ul>					contract"; under 13 allowed under a "family account."	Yahoo! registration.
<b>Zoho Calendar*</b>	<a href="http://calendar.zoho.com/mycalendar">http://calendar.zoho.com/mycalendar</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Schedule one-time or recurrent events with reminders.</li> <li>Can create multiple calendars.</li> <li>Add events, tasks, and appointments.</li> <li>Can invite others to events.</li> <li>Can associate appointments with tasks.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cannot attach documents to calendar events.</li> </ul>	✓	✓		Must be at least 13 years old.	

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## Lesson Plan Builders

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<b>Apple Learning Exchange*</b>	<a href="http://edcommunitiy.apple.com/ali">http://edcommunitiy.apple.com/ali</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Teacher-submitted lessons and ideas, with viewer feedback.</li> <li>Click <i>Collections by Topic</i> or <i>Collections by Technology</i> for lessons and work samples.</li> <li>Also available are podcasts and featured collections, such as Apple Distinguished Educators (ADE) Showcase with 1200 ADEs from 22 countries.</li> </ul>		✓	Unknown how student work is protected.	✓ Designed for education.		
<b>Intel® Education Designing Effective Projects</b>	<a href="http://educate.intel.com/en/ProjectDesign/UnitPlanIndex/GradeIndex">http://educate.intel.com/en/ProjectDesign/UnitPlanIndex/GradeIndex</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gather lesson ideas and modifiable resources from a collection of exemplary unit plans.</li> <li>Learn strategies for project design and implementation.</li> </ul>		✓	✓	✓ Designed for education.	✓	✓

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<b>Intel® Education Thinking Tools</b>	<a href="http://www.intel.com/education/tools">www.intel.com/education/tools</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project plans and associated documents for thinking tools—<i>Visual Ranking</i>, <i>Seeing Reason</i>, and <i>Showing Evidence</i>.</li> <li>• Project wizard allows teachers to duplicate a project from any existing project that uses one or more of the tools.</li> <li>• Can copy and modify existing project settings for another project, and create student teams.</li> </ul>		✓	✓	✓  Designed for education.	✓	✓

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## Notetaking/Assignments

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<b>MyNoteit*</b>	<a href="http://www.mynoteit.com">www.mynoteit.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Notes can be downloaded, shared, or messaged to other users.</li> <li>Provides a task list and calendar feature that can be integrated and used together.</li> <li>Can create class groups to share notes and assignments, and use message board.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limited or no tech support, but simple interface.</li> </ul>	Minimal ads by Google.	Unclear; no privacy policy or terms of use.	✓ Designed for education.	✓	
<b>NoteStar*</b>	<a href="http://notestar.4teachers.org">http://notestar.4teachers.org</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assist students in the preparation of research papers.</li> <li>Teachers and students can set up research projects with topics and subtopics, collect and organize notes, and prepare a bibliography.</li> <li>Teachers can: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Create, assign, and manage projects</li> <li>Check sources' authenticity</li> <li>Track group progress</li> <li>Send messages to students</li> <li>Help students organize notes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assignments, groups, and classes must be generated by the teacher.</li> <li>Students cannot use the tool on their own; they can register, but assignments must be assigned by the teacher.</li> </ul>		✓ Requests students under 13 to use first name and last initial in registration.	✓ Designed for education.	✓	✓ Even when students register themselves, no e-mail required.

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<b>Yahoo! Notepad*</b>	<a href="http://notepad.yahoo.com">http://notepad.yahoo.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Integrated notepad, e-mail, calendar, and contacts.</li> <li>• Very basic plain text notepad.</li> <li>• Can file notes into subfolders.</li> </ul>			✓		Must be of "legal age to form a binding contract"; under 13 allowed under a "family account."	Creates an e-mail account at time of Yahoo! registration.
<b>Zoho Notebook*</b>	<a href="http://notebook.zoho.com">http://notebook.zoho.com</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ability to create notebooks and not just single notes.</li> <li>• Can integrate spreadsheet pages, Writer pages, and Web pages.</li> <li>• Supports RSS and integration of images, audio, and video.</li> <li>• Can sign in with Google or Yahoo!.</li> </ul>		✓	✓		Must be at least 13 years old.	

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