

Web 2.0 Tools

Web 2.0 Tool	Function	Description
<u>Google Docs</u>	Presentation Tool	Group editing and revising; collaborative; word processor, spreadsheet, graphics presentation, and database
<u>Google Maps</u>	Presentation Tool	Mapping and routing; directions
<u>Google Earth</u>	Presentation Tool	Virtual location tool; street-level view of any global location by address
<u>Dropbox</u>	File Sharing & Collaboration	Real-time file sharing application; folder-based; by invitation
<u>Wikispaces</u>	Presentation and classroom or school participation; interactive site	Website for the collection and archiving of teaching tools that all members can edit (with passwords); collaborative
<u>Edublogs</u>	Presentation tool and site for classroom and school participation; interactive site	Website for sharing information and encouraging dialogue between members; journal style; multiple or single authors
<u>Sonibyte</u>	Podcasting	Pre-recorded audio presentation of lecture; production and administrative functions
<u>Intervue</u>	Question/answer & Presentation	Student videos of answers to questions; video interviews
<u>TeacherTube & SchoolTube</u>	Video presentation	Search driven video sites

Fotopedia , Google Images , Morguefile & Pics4Learning (copyright free)	Presentation & Images	Web-based photo encyclopedias; search driven
Ediscio	Presentation	Create, share, and view flash cards
Discovery Education	All content areas and all tools	This is a detailed site for tools by content area and grade; rated by educators
Edmodo	Online classroom community	Website formatted very similarly to Facebook and designed to create an online classroom community

Blogs versus Wikis

Blogs and Wikis have some common denominators:

- They are both websites
- They are both user-generated (the content of blogs and wikis is created by the actual people who use the blogs or wikis)
- They both allow users to comment on the content

Wikis are better than blogs for:

- Archiving information for easy access
- Gathering information from a group of people. For example, the wiki Library Success collects information from librarians around the world. (See this past MPLIC Tech Train blog post for more information about Library Success)

Blogs are better than wikis for:

- Quickly sharing new information
- Starting and maintaining a dialog between the publisher and reader

Easy Educational Apps

WRITING TOOLS/APPS

[Whiteboard for iPADS:](#)

[Imagination Prompt Generator:](#)

[Story Starter:](#)

[Writing Fix:](#)

[Wordlings:](#)

[Wordle:](#)

[Mind-Mapping Tools:](#)

Digital Resource Sites for Teachers

[Kathy Schrock's Guide for Educators: Lists of sites for all content areas](#)

[Free Technology Sites and Information for Teachers:](#)