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Each spring, the Office of Teaching and Learning (OTL), alongside Learning Technologies in the Office of Technology and Information Services (OTIS), reviews and evaluates the PPS Digital Toolkit (www.pps.net/digitaltoolkit) resources that are currently being offered at grade bands or content focus district-wide. Feedback from teachers and administrators is also critical during this time, and we greatly appreciate the hundreds of teachers and school administrators who responded to our request and survey.

Classroom digital applications are evaluated in a number of ways, including the following:
- Alignment to curriculum, the Instructional Framework, and the Graduate Portrait
- Teacher and administrator feedback
- Staff and student usage data
- Redundancy of features with other applications
- Ability to provide instructional technology and technical support
- Developed vendor or PPS professional development for sustainability
- Fiscal Responsibility

The purpose of the digital toolkit is to provide a suite of online resources that support teachers in the integration of technologies to engage, enhance, and extend student learning. The Digital Toolkit aims to support project-based and blended learning strategies, student voice and agency, and provide multiple ways for learning and the demonstration of knowledge.

The following is a list of digital applications that will be a part of the Digital Toolkit for the 2023/24 school year. You will also find lists of digital tools where the use or license structure has changed, as well as a list of applications that have been discontinued. Applications are evaluated for discontinuation/adjustments as their contracts come up for renewal.

For applications that have been discontinued, you will find links to resources that will help you retrieve any data or material from that application. Please pay attention to the end-of-contract date, as once it has passed, PPS Staff will no longer have access to the purchased versions of that application.

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The Digital Toolkit is not an exhaustive list of all digital resources used in PPS. If you have a question about a tool not listed, please reach out to the department that sponsors the application or email support@pps.net.

Applications Renewed AS IS		
Adobe Express	Gale	My.PPS/Classlink
Art of Education	GeoGebra	Oregon CIS
Bookcreator	Google Jamboard	Quaver
BrainPop ELL	Google Meet	Remind
BrainPop	Google Workspace	Screencastify
Canva	Grade Guardian	Securly
Canvas	HMH	Smart Music
Choices	i-Ready	Snap&Read
Co:Writer	Illustrative Math	SORA
CommonLit 3rd-5th Grade	Imagine Espanol	Synergy
DBQ Online	KamiApp	TCI/History Alive
Desmos	Lab-Aids SEPUP	Teenbook Cloud
Destiny	Learn 360	Tumble Books
Everfi	Learning A to Z	Turnitin
Flip	Lexia Powerup	WeVideo
Focused Fitness	MidSchoolMath	Writable

Applications Renewed WITH REDUCED CONTRACTS	
Common Lit 6th-12th Grade	CommonLit Pro will no longer be available, all 6-12 students will continue to have CommonLit. Questions or comments can be sent to Kristina Granby (kgranby@pps.net).
Lexia Core 5	To be used for Tier 2 and Tier 3 K-5 intervention only, reducing to 6000 student licenses. Intervention licenses will also be used to replace the Lexia English contract. Questions or comments can be sent to Elizabeth Martin (emartin1@pps.net).
Seesaw	Reducing licenses to K-5 only. Questions or comments can be sent to Learning Technologies (support@pps.net).
Tools of the Mind	Reducing classroom licenses for those who access only digital materials. Questions or comments can be sent to Katrina Edwards (kdwards@pps.net).

Applications ADDED	
Learning Ally	To be field tested in the 23/24 school year for adoption and will provide digital and audiobooks to expand our Volume of Reading for K-5 students. Questions or comments can be sent to Melissa Schachner (mschachner@pps.net).
Peardeck	Peardeck offers a feature set similar to Nearpod without the content library. Peardeck integrates with Google Slides and focuses on ease of use for technology-enhanced instruction.

	Questions or comments can be sent to Learning Technologies (support@pps.net).
Grade Guardian	Currently used in grades 9-12, to be expanded to grades 6-12 in 2023/24. Questions or comments can be sent to Learning Technologies (support@pps.net).

Applications DISCONTINUED	
ATLAS	With the implementation of new curriculum adoptions and Atlas is no longer relied on. Teacher usage is very low, and overall, access to materials is via grade-banded websites. Information is currently not up-to-date on Atlas. Curriculum teams will work with the vendor to export any current and relevant data.
Dreambox	Discontinue Dreambox as it offers many of the same features as MyPath within the i-Ready Connect platform. Utilizing MyPath offers a consistent platform for K-5 mathematics. Questions or comments can be sent to Patrice Woods (pwoods@pps.net).
Formative	Formative has been available in PPS since 2019 with limited capacity and professional development opportunities available. Current usage remains very low. For current users, link to support information regarding the exporting and/or use or your content once the contract ends. Formative will be discontinued on 08/11/2023. Questions or comments can be sent to Learning Technologies (support@pps.net).
Kids Discover	As we adopt a new social studies curriculum, Kids Discover will not be necessary. Current usage is extremely low.
Nearpod	Nearpod was chosen for its library of content at the start of CDL. Today, Nearpod usage is very low, and the library of content is not well aligned with our curriculum. Peardeck offers a more integrated solution with a similar feature set. Current users can find support information to assist with exporting content. Nearpod will be discontinued on 07/14/2023. Questions or comments can be sent to Learning Technologies (support@pps.net).
Voyager Sopris Learning/Language Live	Language Live was used in a field test and is currently supported by very few teachers.
Zoom	Zoom was brought into PPS during CDL, Zoom will be discontinued. Google Meet is a part of our Google for Education workspace and has a similar feature set to meet the video conferencing needs.