Rubric: Communication Tools for the Classroom (updated/streamlined 12/3/16) Classloom:

	Ineffective	Somewhat effective	Effective	Highly effective
Functionality Primarily fulfills first three tasks with an eye toward communication with parents.	Tool has a single function.	Tool combines at least two of the following functions: *classroom management *parent/teacher communication *daily classroom materials *teacher/student feedback platform *grading platform *progress toward standard info	Tool combines at least three of the following functions: *classroom management *parent/teacher communication *daily classroom materials *teacher/student feedback platform *grading platform *progress toward standard info	Tool fulfills all of the following functions: *classroom management *parent/teacher communication *daily classroom materials *teacher/student feedback platform *grading platform *progress toward standard info
**Goal of tool is not necessarily geared toward student accomplishment. More a generic communication tool; as such, it seems convenient.	Tool requires extensive training and/or extra information to learn, use, and navigate so required tasks can be fulfilled. Updating process is extremely time-consuming or materials cannot be updated once posted.	Tool requires some training or extra information to learn, use, and navigate so tasks under "effective" can be fulfilled. Updating posted materials or records of student work is somewhat awkward and/or time-consuming.	Tool is easy to learn, use, and navigate. Tool also allows updating for inevitable changes in plan; tool also provides timely info on completion of tasks and facilitates support of students with missing work *Teacher can provide necessary information for lessons conveniently *Students and support staff can access and submit work easily *Parents can see tasks and individual students' work with ease *Teacher can alter timelines and/or tasks on calendars as necessary; teacher can also	Tool requires no training to learn, use, and navigate due to simplicity of format or ease of use. In addition, tool allows immediate updating for inevitable changes in plan; tool also provides transparent info on completion of tasks to facilitate student support.

			easily check for completion of assigned tasks and send reminders to students, support staff, and parents; teachers can evaluate and share feedback with ease.	
Personalization **Tool is more generic communication and sharing of general class info.	With great time and effort invested, tool provides both personalized information and general classroom information *Teacher can provide both classwide tasks and announcements but also can access, review, and provide feedback on individual student's work *Students and support staff can see classwide tasks and announcements but also can access each individual student's work and see/respond to feedback *Parents can see class tasks and announcements but also access/review individual student's work and teacher feedback.	With substantial time and effort invested, tool provides both personalized information and general classroom information *Teacher can provide both classwide tasks and announcements but also can access, review, and provide feedback on individual student's work *Students and support staff can see classwide tasks and announcements but also can access each individual student's work and see/respond to feedback *Parents can see class tasks and announcements but also access/review individual student's work and teacher feedback.	With moderate time and effort invested, tool provides both personalized information and general classroom information *Teacher can provide both classwide tasks and announcements but also can access, review, and provide feedback on individual student's work *Students and support staff can see classwide tasks and announcements but also can access each individual student's work and see/respond to feedback *Parents can see class tasks and announcements but also access/review individual student's work and teacher feedback.	With minimal time and effort invested, tool provides both personalized information and general classroom information *Teacher can provide both classwide tasks and announcements but also can access, review, and provide feedback on individual student's work *Students and support staff can see classwide tasks and announcements but also can access each individual student's work and see/respond to feedback *Parents can see class tasks and announcements but also access/review individual student's work and teacher feedback.
Platform adaptability Not much material stored, but posted items are accessible over time.	Tool functions on a fixed platform and data storage option.	Tool functions on some platforms and programs and offers some options for data storage.	Tool functions on a variety of platforms and programs and uses data storage most likely to remain accessible in the future *Platform is accessible and viewable on tablets,	Tool easily functions on all platforms and programs and uses data storage most likely to remain accessible in the future *Platform is accessible and viewable on tablets,

			smartphones, and laptops and works with Mac and Windows based programs. *Cloud storage of task and student work for later reference also possible.	smartphones, and laptops and works with Mac and Windows based programs. *Cloud storage of task and student work for later reference also possible.
Safety Again, fairly safe social-media format. Not functioning primarily as a gradebook or record of standards.	Tool cannot provide a safe community of users for a variety of reasons; no sharing of work or information is possible.	With student or parent action, tool provides a somewhat safe community of users and attempts to shield student identities; some sharing of work/information at teacher's discretion may be allowed.	Tool requires student or parent action to provide a safe community of users and shields student identities while allowing sharing of work/information at teacher's discretion	Tool provides a safe community of users and shields student identities while allowing sharing of work/information at teacher's discretion