



Google User Group Meeting

May 26, 2017 - 9AM EST

google.apps.sparcc.org/usergroup



This is an editable Google Document. We will continue to add to this document as we get closer to the meeting. Feel free to add your own items, links, questions, comments, and other information to this document.

Note: If anyone would like to be in our Hangout (rather than just watching it) let me know at ericcurts@gmail.com and I will be glad to add you to the Hangout. We are always looking for folks to share neat Google resources, ideas, best practices, and such. We have a "Show and Tell" section during each meeting and would love to hear what you have to share!

To join the meeting in person, come to:

- SPARCC at [2100 38th St NW, Canton, OH 44709](#)

To view the live meeting online, go to:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YDOkDBjD_ug (you can also use this link to view the recording afterwards)



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Welcome and Introductions

- Eric Curts - SPARCC - eric.curts@apps.sparcc.org - ericcurts@gmail.com - Twitter: [@ericcurts](https://twitter.com/ericcurts) - Google+ <http://gplus.to/ericcurts> Blog- Control Alt Achieve
- GEG Ohio - [What is GEG Ohio?](#)



Important links

- SPARCC Google User Group meeting site: <http://google.apps.sparcc.org/usergroup>
- Google User Group Sign In Form (to get certificate of attendance): <http://tiny.cc/gug-signin>
- SPARCC Technology Integration site: <http://ti.apps.sparcc.org>
- SPARCC Lines newsletter: <http://ti.apps.sparcc.org/newsletter>
- Ohio Google Educator Group (GEG): <http://tiny.cc/geg-ohio>



Updates

- Current member counts:
 - SPARCC Google User Group = 986 (join at <http://tiny.cc/sparcc-google-group>)
 - GEG Ohio = 2,269 (join at <http://tiny.cc/geg-ohio>)



Upcoming events

- Trainings
 - SPARCC Certification Bootcamps for Google Educator Level 1 and 2
 - Level 1 - July 10 and 11, 2017
 - Level 2 - July 24 and 25, 2017
 - Details at: <http://google.apps.sparcc.org/bootcamp>
- Conferences
 - Create! Conference - June 8, 2017 - Toledo Area - [link](#)
 - Cleveland Area Google Summit - June 13-14, 2017 - Avon Lake High School - <https://oh.gafesummit.com/cleveland/2017>

- SPARCC Educational Technology Conference - August 4, 2017 - <http://conference.apps.sparcc.org>
- G-Tech Summit - August 8, 2017 - Genoa High School - [Conference website](#)
- As always, check the calendar at ti.apps.sparcc.org for upcoming conferences



What's New In G Suite For Education

- 5/1/2017 - Admin settings to move Drive files and folders into Team Drives - [link](#)
- 5/1/2017 - Chagrin Falls has 100% of teachers Google Certified - [link](#)
- 5/2/2017 - Google Sites gets update to vertically group items - [link](#)
- 5/2/2017 - Google updates the timeline for Classic Sites deprecation, and lists upcoming updates for New Sites - [link](#)
- 5/4/2017 - Web clipboard to be removed from Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides on September 13th, 2017 - [link](#)
- 5/10/2017 - Google Communities get invite link option for joining - [link](#)
- 5/15/2017 - Old Chromebook buyback program launched by Clover Wireless - [link](#), [link](#)
- 5/15/2017 - Upcoming changes to chat in Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Todoist app launches Google Calendar integration - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Smart Reply feature added to Gmail on Android and iOS - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - All of the Google I/O 2017 announcements - [link](#), [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Google Expeditions to get Augmented Reality content - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Google rolls out Assistant for iOS - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Google Assistant gets keyboard entry option - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Google Lens coming soon to Assistant, Photos, and more - [link](#)
- 5/17/2017 - Google Photos gets sharing suggestions, shared libraries, and photo books - [link](#)
- 5/18/2017 - Forbidden City collection added to Google Arts & Culture - [link](#)
- 5/18/2017 - Quick Access in Google Drive now available on the web - [link](#)
- 5/19/2017 - View videos for any of the Google 2017 I/O sessions - [link](#)
- 5/23/2017 - Google Sites clarifies Publish settings - [link](#)
- 5/23/2017 - Google Sites get option to duplicate pages, can be used as template feature - [link](#)



Questions and Answers

Do you have any questions for the group? Something you would like to get help with, hear how other schools are handling, or such? Add your questions (and answers) below for the meeting:

- I'm interested in hearing whether anyone has decided to "wholeheartedly" adopt Team Drives as it stands now, or whether you're still taking a "wait and see" approach
 - Using it at Perry quite a bit in the last few months and I love it! We were early adopters and we've gotten some great feedback from teachers.
 - OP: My biggest concern is that we have many use cases that would make "Team Drive within Team Drive" useful; the alternative would be a very large list of individual Team Drives at the top level...
 - Perry: I'm pretty sure I understand what you're asking, we have a few building level "Teams" and a few unique teams. There are features within the team that allows you to set permissions on individual folders. What makes the team nice is that it provides a platform for quick referencing your groups. Think of the thumbnails like Google Classroom; I click the icon for my LA Team and there is everything I need for LA in folders. I currently use 4 teams for my own usage and it is organized in an easy, not-overwhelming, format. Team Drive does not replace the "My Drive" area. It just enhances the sharing experience.'
 - OP: Thanks for trying, Eric...I'll wait and watch. My use case (university) is "Team Drive" for all faculty, then, e.g. committee subfolders. Thanks for suggestions, Perry.
- Will the new chat within docs be included in Google Vault?
 - I didn't see anything either, but I would assume it would because Hangouts text features are included in Vault. It is handy as students do like to use chat from time to time in docs. It isn't a problem as long as students are being responsible, but it would be nice to be able to say to students that all conversations are documented.
-Anonymous Rhino is Lance Yoder
 - Eric will you be attempting to go to the DC Google Innovator Academy? It's the same date as the SPARCC conference so I'm guessing "no" :) - Mays
 - [Certified Innovator Program - Scroll Down for Dates](#)
 - [DC Application and dates](#)



Show and Tell

Is your school doing something interesting with Google tools? Do you have a neat tip, trick, or tool you would like to demonstrate? Add yourself to the list below if you would like to share something with the group during the meeting:

- Recent posts from Eric's blog - [Control Alt Achieve](#)
 - Create your own Lit Trips (and more) for Google Earth - [Resource Link](#)
 - 30 Free Google Drawings Graphic Organizers - [Resource Link](#)
 - 6 End-Of-Year Google Classroom Clean-up Tips - [Resource Link](#)
- 3 Tools to Take YouTube and Multimedia Literacy to the Next Level - [Resource Link](#)
- Three Little Known Features about Google Scholar - [Resource Link](#)
- Writing papers and research reports the Google way - [Resource Link](#)
- 7 Geeky Tips and Tricks for Google Docs - [Resource Link](#)
- Digital Literature Circles - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template for students to complete digital literature circles
- Scientific Method Digital Workbook - [Resource Link](#) - Google Slides template for the scientific method
- 10 Tips for Organizing Google Drive - [Resource Link](#)
- 7 Hidden Tips for Google Sites - [Resource Link](#)
- How to Use Google Keep in the Classroom - [Resource Link](#)
- Make Your Own Word Search in Google Sheets - [Resource Link](#)
- Choose Your Own Story with Google Forms - [Resource Link](#)
- Voice Over in Google Slides - [Resource Link](#)
- Using Google tools with Young Learners - [Resource Link](#)
- Google Drive One-Page Guides - [Resource Link](#)
- The future of Android on ChromeOS - [Resource Link](#)
- Record Video Straight to Classroom - [Resource Link](#)
- Assess Student Writing in Google Docs with WriQ Add-on - [Resource Link](#)
- Ctrl+D = Duplicate in Google Slides and Drawings - [Resource Link](#)
- Copy Your GAFE Drive Files to a Personal Google Account - [Resource Link](#)
- Google Takeout to Transfer Drive & Gmail - [Resource Link](#)
- CloudGopher - [Resource Link](#)
- 4 Tools to Up Your YouTube Game - [Resource Link](#)
- Organizing Your Teacher Evaluation Evidence Using G Suite - [Resource Link](#)

- Analyzing Shoe Sizes - [Resource Link](#) - A Google Slides template for an activity covering data collection, mean, median, mode, range, and graphs.
- Non-school related Tour Builder - Enjoy your summer idea using the tool - Mays
 - Stark County Ice Cream Tour! <http://bit.ly/starkicecream>