



Google User Group Meeting

Aug 30, 2023 - 1PM EST

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Join us for our next meeting on September 27, 2023 - [Live video link](#) - [Agenda Doc](#) - [Calendar link](#)

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Welcome and Introductions

- Eric Curts - SPARCC - eric.curts@apps.sparcc.org - ericcurts@gmail.com - Twitter: [@ericcurts](#) - Blog- [Control Alt Achieve](#)
- Stephanie Howell- Pickerington Local School District - stephanie_howell@plsd.us - Twitter: [@mrshowell24](#) - Instagram - [@mrshowell24](#) -Blog- [Mrs. Howell](#)
- John Mansel-Pleydell - Northern Buckeye - mpleydell@northern-buckeye.org - Website: mpleydell.nwoca.org
- Sarah Kiefer - Ross Local School District - sarah@techyoudo.com - Twitter: [@SarahJKiefer](#) - Blog: [Tech You Can Do](#)
- GEG Ohio - [What is GEG Ohio?](#)

Important Links

- Google Educators Group of Ohio (GEG Ohio): bit.ly/gegohio
- Google User Group Sign In Form (to get a certificate of attendance):
<https://bit.ly/gegohio-signin>
- Podcast: <https://anchor.fm/geg-ohio>
- Twitter: [@ohiogeg](https://twitter.com/ohiogeg)

Group Updates

- Join the GEG Ohio Google Group - [GEG Ohio](#)
 - Go to the GEG Ohio Google Group forum page at:
<https://groups.google.com/d/forum/gegohio>
 - Click the button labeled "Join group to post"
 - Alternatively, you can send an email to gegohio+subscribe@googlegroups.com and then the "Join this Group" link you receive in the confirmation email.
- Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2599700086934801>

You will now be a member of the GEG Ohio Google Group. You will receive group messages through email and can post your own messages on the forum page or by sending an email to gegohio@googlegroups.com



Upcoming events

- [Indiana Connected Educators Conference](#) - October 5th
- [OETC24](#) - Feb 13-15 - [Call for proposals](#) is open until Sept 15th
- EdTech Playground Sessions for 2023-2024 - [Resource Link](#)
- [Learn 21 Conference](#) - November 8-9, 2023



What's New In Google Workspace For Education

Key



Education Fundamentals (free)



Education Standard



Teaching and Learning Upgrade



Education Plus



Duet AI for Google Workspace Enterprise add-on

June 2023

- 6/1/2023 - Google Bard adds precise location support for better local results - [Resource Link](#)

- 6/1/2023 - Build reading skills with a new Google Play Books feature - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/2/2023 - See the top search results first in Gmail on mobile - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **6/2/2023** - Plan, organize, and analyze assignments and grades with grading periods in Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
- 6/2/2023 - Declutter your conversations in Google Chat - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/2/2023 - Better control the flow of meetings with viewer mode in Google Meet - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/5/23 - Simplify and strengthen sign-in by enabling passkeys for your users, available now in open beta - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/5/2023 - Write messages faster and easier with smart compose in Google Chat - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/6/2023 - Visit a class using new option in Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) +
- 6/7/2023 - Minecraft for Chromebooks officially launches - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/7/2023 - Bard is getting better at logic and reasoning - [Resource Link](#) - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/7/2023 - Improved experience for admitting or denying join requests in Google Meet - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/7/2023 - Updated user interface for the Email Log Search tool - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/7/2023 - Enhanced experience for picture-in-picture for Google Meet in Chrome - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/8/2023 - Highlight your generative AI skills by earning the new no-cost skill badge - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/8/2023 - Assistant and Calendar reminders are automatically migrating to Tasks - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/8/2023 - 5 new features to easily manage your passwords in Chrome - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/12/2023 - Project GameFace makes gaming accessible to everyone - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/12/2023 - Experience better collaboration in conference rooms with new support for whiteboard cameras on Google Meet Hardware - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/12/2023 - Use Directory Sync to replace the domain name for synced users - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/13/2023 - Add or remove client-side encryption from Google Sheets and Google Slides files - [Resource Link](#) 💰+
- 6/13/2023 - Google Meet expands language support for closed captioning and translated captions - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
- 6/14/2023 - Improving table placements in Google Docs - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/16/2023 - View more insights and take quick action via the Chrome Browser Cloud Management home card in the Admin console - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/16/2023 - Pull rich data from apps directly into Google Docs with third-party smart chips - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/16/2023 - Expanding originality reports in Google Classroom to Microsoft Word files - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+

- 6/16/2023 - Adding rich text formatting to comments in Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/20/2023 - Respond to access requests for Google Workspace files more efficiently - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **6/21/2023** - Journey to ancient Egypt in Return of the Cat Mummy - [Resource Link](#) - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/21/2023 - Monitor additional Google Meet hardware issues in the Admin console - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/21/2023 - Personal Google accounts can now create booking pages for Calendar - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/21/2023 - Share your Google Calendar availability directly in Gmail - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/21/2023 - Updates to custom email layouts - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/22/2023 - Use companion mode to check-in to a Google Meet conference room, so everyone can know you by name - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **6/22/2023** - ISTE23 Announcements
 - Eric's summary of all the updates - [Blog post and video](#)
 - New Google for Education tools for how you teach, learn and manage - [Resource Link](#)
 - New teaching and learning features in Google Workspace for Education - [Resource Link](#)
 - New education apps and accessible content for Chromebooks - [Resource Link](#)
 - Explore our new Google for Education App Hub - [Resource Link](#)
- Google Classroom
 - Read Along integration in Google Classroom
 - Teacher resources for hints in Practice Sets - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
 - AI-suggestions for YouTube interactive questions
 - Temporary access to visit a Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) +
 - Data reports in Google Classroom for student performance and engagement
 - Share links for Google Classroom templates and assignments - [Resource Link](#) +
 - Customize grading scales - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
 - Disable Google Classroom assignment submissions after due date - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
 - Rich-text formatting in Classroom comments
- Google Meet
 - Tile pairing
 - Q&A and polls during live stream
 - 1000 max attendees
- Chrome
 - Reading mode in Chrome
 - Convert images to text for PDFs on Chromebooks

- App licensing through the Admin Console
- More admin controls for Chromebooks
- Updated App Hub
- 6/23/2023 - Adding flexibility to email collection in Google Forms - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **6/23/2023** - Gain consensus from collaborators quickly with voting chips in Google Docs - [Resource Link](#) +
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- 6/26/2023 - Quickly access more features during meetings, available for Google Meet on the web - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **6/27/2023** - Google Sheets now integrated with mail merge in Gmail - [Resource Link](#) 💰+
- 6/27/2023 - Simplified access controls coming to Google Meet beginning July 17, 2023 - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 6/28/2023 - Use polls or Q&As during Google Meet live streams - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
- 6/29/2023 - New features coming to Fact Check Explorer - [Resource Link](#)
- 6/29/2023 - See read receipts for messages in Google Chat group direct messages - [Resource Link](#)

July 2023

- 7/3/2023 - Google Slides opens up Duet AI image generation with Imagen - [Resource Link](#)
- 7/7/2023 - Adding more flexibility to working locations in Google Calendar - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 7/11/2023 - Negotiate time directly in Gmail to schedule meetings faster - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 7/12/2023 - Meet Viola the Bird: a new experiment inspired by the cello - [Resource Link](#) - [Resource Link](#)
- **7/12/2023** - Introducing NotebookLM - [Resource Link](#)
- **7/13/2023** - Bard's latest update: more features, languages and countries - [Resource Link](#)
 - Spoken responses
 - Upload images as prompts
 - 5 new tone options: simple, long, short, professional, casual
 - Pin & rename conversations
 - Share responses
 - Available in more languages & countries
- 7/17/2023 - AppSheet Core licenses will be included by default for more Google Workspace editions, along with a new Admin security setting - [Resource Link](#) 💰+

- 7/17/2023 - First look: Bard 'Extensions' will add Google and third-party services - [Resource link](#)
- 7/18/2023 - Defend the Earth in a new immersive SPACE INVADERS game - [Resource Link](#)
- 7/18/2023 - Google Meet starts testing image generation for unique backgrounds - [Resource Link](#)
- 7/19/2023 - Nearby Share for Windows is now officially available - [Resource Link](#)
- 7/21/2023 - Including the Alt text option in the Image options sidebar of Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, and Drawings - [Resource Link](#)
- **7/23/2023** - ChromeOS 115 adds saved signatures for PDF forms - [Resource Link](#)
- 7/24/2023 - Adding line numbers to Google Docs - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 7/27/2023 - Disable submissions after a due date in Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+

August 2023

- 8/1/2023 - Q&A moderation now available for Google Meet - [Resource Link](#) - 🎓+
- 8/2/2023 - Google Chrome officially removing the download bar for a new tray UI - [Resource Link](#)
- **8/2/2023** - Lab Sessions: A new series of experimental AI collaborations - [Resource Link](#)
 - TextFX - <https://textfx.withgoogle.com/>
 - PopSign - <https://www.popsign.org/>
- 8/4/2023 - Insert emojis into Google Sites - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 8/7/2023 - Simplify lesson planning with shareable class templates and classwork with new Google Classroom beta - [Resource Link](#) +
- 8/7/2023 - Review suggested hints, add your own resources, and more for practice sets in Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
- 8/8/2023 - Expanding branding and customization capabilities in Google Slides and Google Forms - [Resource Link](#) +
- **8/9/2023** - Introducing eSignature for Google Docs and Google Drive - [Resource Link](#) +
- 8/9/2023 - New feel and features for the Arts & Culture app - [Resource Link](#)
- **8/10/2023** - Add annotations to your presentations in Google Slides - [Resource Link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **8/15/2023** - Learn as you search (and browse) using generative AI - [Resource Link](#)
- 8/23/2023 - View speaker notes while co-presenting Google Slides in Google Meet - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
- **8/25/2023** - Google's "Help Me Write" AI is coming to Chromebooks on a system-wide level - [Resource Link](#)
- **8/26/2023** - ChromeOS 116 makes the move to the new LaCrOS Chrome browser an absolute breeze - [Resource Link](#)

- **8/26/2023** - Chrome's Reading Mode will soon let you listen to articles instead of just reading them - [Resource Link](#)
- 8/28/2023 - Expanding grading systems in Google Classroom - [Resource Link](#) 🎓+
- **8/29/2023** - Google Cloud Next '23 announcements
 - Duet AI for Google Workspace - [Resource Link](#) - [Resource Link](#) 🤖
 - Write emails, documents and more with ease and speed using Duet AI in Google Docs and Gmail - [Resource Link](#) 🤖
 - Enhance your writing in Google Docs with Proofread, available with Duet AI for Workspace - [Resource Link](#) 🤖
 - Create original images from text within Google Slides - [Resource Link](#) (Eric's post) 🤖
 - Turn ideas into action using Google Sheets - [Resource Link](#) 🤖
 - Use studio look in Google Meet to look your best - [Resource Link](#) 🤖
 - Create custom, unique meeting backgrounds using generative AI - [Resource Link](#) 🤖
 - Expanded language availability for translated captions, available with Duet AI - [Resource Link](#) 🤖

💬 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:

Eric Show and Tell:

- Join Eric's email discussion group - bit.ly/caa-emailgroup
- Subscribe to Eric's weekly newsletter - bit.ly/curts-news
- Eric's "EdTech Links of the Week" - Live-streamed Monday nights at 7pm EST on YouTube, Facebook, and LinkedIn - [Subscribe to the live stream calendar](#) - All links at bit.ly/caa-live
- Eric's posts from Control Alt Achieve
 - Active Learning with EduProtocols and Google Tools - [Resource Link](#)
 - Artificial Intelligence / Natural Misuse - Managing AI in Schools - [Resource Link](#)
 - EdTech Playground Sessions for 2023-2024 - [Resource Link](#)
 - AI in Education: What Educators Need to Know - [Resource Link](#)
 - Back to School 2023 with Book Creator - [Resource Link](#)
 - Coding with AI for Schools - [Resource Link](#)
 - Connect with Educators on the New Threads App - [Resource Link](#)
 - AI Images in Google Slides - [Resource Link](#)
 - 16 Super Google Updates from ISTE23 - [Resource Link](#)
 - Join the Control Alt Achieve Facebook Group - [Resource Link](#)

- 150+ Excellent Extensions for Chrome - [Resource Link](#)
- 10 Questions for Student AI Guidelines - [Resource Link](#)
- Eric's AI resources
 - AI in Education - What Educators Need to Know
bit.ly/curts-ai - [Video](#)
 - The Bard's Tale: Google AI in Education
bit.ly/curts-googleai
 - Artificial Intelligence / Natural Misuse - Managing AI in Schools
bit.ly/curts-aimisuse - [Video](#)
 - From AI to A+! Enriching Student Learning
bit.ly/curts-aienrich
 - Super Tutor: AI to Support all Learners
bit.ly/curts-aisupport
 - Yes (even) You Can Code with AI!
bit.ly/curts-aicode - [Video](#)
- The best hidden ChromeOS features I use on my Chromebook - [Resource Link](#)

Stephanie Show and Tell:

- [Weekly Update](#)
 - To get access to material join the [Google Group](#)

Sarah Show and Tell:

- [Tech You Can Do weekly newsletter](#) (feel free to sign up to receive regularly)

John Show and Tell:

[Ohio Learning Community rolling out new courses in September - New Catalog](#)

Tom's Show and Tell:

- [My "AI and education" Twitter thread](#)

Ryan's Show and Tell:

- [LuminPDF Premium is Free for schools](#)
 - Can do all sorts of things with PDFs
 - PDFs can be assigned to students through Google Classroom. They can write on them, draw on them, and turn them back in.

GEG community Show and Tell:

- Join the Ohio STEM Teachers PLC!! <https://groups.google.com/g/ohiostemteachers>
 - Email group to discuss anything and everything STEM
 - Quarterly meetings - [1st meeting is 10/4/23](#)
 - Follow on Twitter (X) - [@OHSTEMPLC](#)

- The Chrome Live Captions feature can be a great ESL accommodation tool - if you're showing a Youtube video in class, use the translated CC in YT, plus the Live Captions from Chrome in English. Using both can accommodate ESL students and English speakers who want CC.

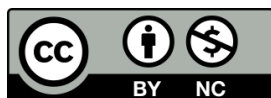
? Questions and Answers

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:

Question	Response
Has there been any information released on when or if Duet AI will be available for the various Education Workspaces?	Not that I know of. I am most curious about the pricing to see if it will be less expensive for education. The business pricing is \$30 per user per month which is quite cost prohibitive for most schools. I filled out the interest form for our school to try to find out more.
An admin has reflection docs for certain behaviors(i.e. fighting, bullying). What is the most efficient way to copy the doc with the admin team as viewers? Would autocrat work to create a copy of the template while adding the administrators on the file as well?	
What are thoughts on this new Google requirement: As a reminder, the Google Workspace for Education Terms of Service require schools to obtain parental consent for users under the age of 18 before enabling Additional Google Services . Additionally, to the extent you enable access to third-party services with a user's Google Workspace for Education account, you are also required to obtain parental consent as required by applicable law. How do you handle if you don't have consent from 1 parent? These things can only be turned off by OU, not individuals.	Instead of chasing down signatures for all students parents permission for access, could you reverse the process and ask parents to sign a document stating they do not want their son/daughter to have access.

I heard "Google is now enforcing that Google admin <i>MUST</i> have the new "approved lists" for users otherwise students designated as under 18 in admin console will be automatically blocked from using Google SSO for all 3rd party apps." I'm wondering if you can confirm if this is accurate and after October, students not on a new <i>approved</i> list will no longer be able to use Google SSO for apps like BrainPop and WeVideo etc.?	https://apps.google.com/supportwidget/articlehome?article_url=https%3A%2F%2Fsupport.google.com%2Fa%2Fanswer%2F13289151&assistant_id=generic-unu&product_context=13289151&product_name=UnuFlow&trigger_context=a
I am sending a get to know you survey to staff and one of the questions is their birthday. How can I format the sheet so that I can mail merge birthday messages to send on their birthday?	From Steph Howell - https://docs.google.com/document/d/1l5dF_vKeXeSCElhSvUvWoAESxC21g2x9Ny9FT6afZfQ/edit
What are Journeys in the Reading List/Bookmark area? Is it just a history of searches?	

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