

## FEBRUARY 2023

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The Elementary Tech Coaches have been busy using **Green Screen Technology** to take photos and record videos. If you want to enhance a presentation by adding photos of your students with a background of their choice, we can make that happen. Our first grade friends at OTES are learning about careers and made their dream career a reality using the green screen.



Fourth Grade students from Wayside reenacted Dr. Martin Luther King's "I have a Dream Speech."

Second Graders from OTES also learned about Dr. Martin Luther King, but chose to add still pictures from August 28, 1963.



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#### [Celebrate Black History Month](#)

#### [with Ready To Use Lessons](#)

Google's [Applied Digital Skills](#) are a collection of complete lessons including step-by-step directions for students to learn/create with Google Apps such as Sites, Docs, Slides, and more. These free lessons cover subject matter content and 'practical digital skills needed for the jobs of today and tomorrow.'

For Black History Month, Google has created the [Celebrate Black History, Culture & Identity Collection](#). It features several engaging project-based lessons that celebrate the importance of Black history and reflect on the contributions of African Americans. Each lesson has a detailed lesson plan to easily scaffold learning for your students, like interviewing a person from history, writing song lyrics, and much more.' So this year if you want to try something new that will engage your students on multiple levels, consider giving the [Celebrate Black History, Culture & Identity Collection](#) a try. As always, Ms. Gasser and Mr. Huston are available to help you plan and or implement your ideas.

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#### Organizing Google Classrooms

As we switch between first and second semesters, now is a good time for a bit of Google Classroom organization. [Check out this video](#) (or click on the Classroom logo above) in which I go over:

- Archiving old classes
- Moving Classes up and down in the grid view
- Copying and creating new Classes

As always, if you have any questions or need help- just reach out and we can set up a meeting.



#### Ideas for Tutorial Videos

In the past few years, I've made a lot of quick (under 10 minute) tech tutorial videos- check out some older ones [here on YouTube](#) or on [my Google Classroom](#). I'd like to create more, but I'm having a bit of writer's block coming up with ideas. If you have an idea for a tutorial on something you need help with or would like additional information about, take a second to fill out [this super quick Google Form](#). Your input will probably not only help yourself but others wondering about the same topic!

Coming Soon to a PD Day near you:  
"New Tips and Tricks for Google"

#### IXL [IXL Quick Tips Doc](#)

As teachers around the district are using the IXL platform more & more, we've put together a Google Doc that highlights some of the key components that teachers will need. The IXL Quick Tip Doc above contains GIFs & instructions that will make navigating IXL easier.

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