

Upcoming Webinars

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February 2025

Feburary 11th 5pm ET **Talkies 2.0**

Learn how to make any image a talkie painted artwork, photos, and stickers!

Melinda Kolk, Tech4Learning

Past Webinars

Find out more about Wixie at: www.wixie.com
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	Snow Day Success
February 5th 7pm ET	Learn how Forsyth and Anne Arundel County Schools use Wixie for asynchronous learning for snow days.
January 13, 2023 4pm ET	Take 10: Alt-Text
	Pictures may paint a thousand words, but what if you can't see them? Wixie's alt text provides a chance for everyone to "see", making your content accessible to all. There are other functions of the alt-text that will be shared in this quick Take 10!
	Anne Truger, Tech4Learning Innovative Educator TrueNorth Educational Cooperative 804
	Take 10: Managing Assignments
<u>Video</u>	Join this 10-minute webinar to learn how to take advantage of options in assignments to more easily manage student work.
	Danielle Abernethy, Tech4Learning
	Take 10: Get Creative with Path Animation
<u>Video</u>	In less than 10 minutes, learn to use path animation to deepen understanding, build communication skills, and make learning fun. Combine with the remove background feature to connect students to history, science, and literature.
	Tales 40, Olesson and Namela Harr
	Take 10: Classroom Newsletter
<u>Video</u>	In less than 10 minutes, learn to combine Wixie's powerful authoring and teacher tools to craft newsletters to keep families up-to-date on the great things happening in your classroom.
<u>YouTube</u>	 How to find newsletter templates for teachers Creative ways to involve students in the process Take advantage of family sharing
<u>Video</u>	Wixie Essentials
	If you are new to Wixie, this session will focus on three things to make sure you and your students get off on the right foot. You will walk away with:
	 first project ideas, how to find and assign activities, and an introduction to the Learning Center.

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	Wixie What's New for 2024
<u>Video</u>	The summer update for Wixie includes a lot of new features, as well as some subtle changes that will make Wixie easier to use, like:
<u>Highlights</u>	 Path Animation, QR code export for easy whole-class project sharing, Embedded video library, A new Learning Center, and Much, much more.
	Amazing Ideas for Back-to-School
<u>Video</u>	Make digital learning an integral part of daily classroom learning. In this fast-paced webinar, we will explore 30+ ideas to help you:
	 Get to know your learners with All About Me projects. Use summer memories to get students writing and designing. Build agency and get students to take charge.
	Designing Asynchronous Lessons (perfect for snow days and emergency sub plans)
<u>YouTube</u>	The Office of Instructional Technology in Anne Arundel designed a series of standards-based Wixie activities that address skills taught in the first half the year to provide educators with assignments they can use whenever the county implements an asynchronous virtual instruction day. Come learn how they structure, order, choose and design content-based activities that promote active and engaged independent learning.
	Kerri Lambert and Samantha Wilkinson, Anne Arundel County PS, Maryland
	50 Ideas for Amazing Back-to-School Activities
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<u>YouTube</u>	 Get to know your learners with All About Me projects Use summer memories to get students writing and designing Build agency and get students to take charge
	Carolyn Daly, Tiffany Anderle, and Melinda Kolk, Tech4Learning
	Using Wixie to Develop Safe, Appropriate, and Responsible Digital Citizens
<u>Video</u> <u>YouTube</u>	Join Fairfield teacher leaders as they do a deep dive into creating products integrating the video tool, using settings to differentiate instruction to meet the needs of all learners, and creating authentic products to showcase student understanding.

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	Gina Han, Joelle Kilcourse, & Stephanie Goldberg, Fairfield PS, CT
	Creating Artifacts of Learning Using Thinking Routines
<u>Video</u>	Project Zero's Thinking Routines promote students' thinking by taking what students have learned about and synthesizing their thoughts to make their thinking visible. Discover when and how using Wixie can amplify these routines and promote equity in your classroom.
	Debbie Tannenbaum (Author, TIE) Fairfax County, VA
	Wixie for Art Education
<u>Video</u> <u>YouTube</u>	March is Youth Art Month! Join Baltimore County's Virtual Learning Program Art Teachers Jennifer Mesaros and Joe Gibison to explore ways you can use Wixie to build student artistic skills, arts exploration, and self-expression.
	Jennifer Mesaros (TIE) and Joe Gibison (TIE), Baltimore County PS, MD
	Full STEAM Ahead with Wixie
<u>Video</u> <u>YouTube</u>	Tech4Learning Innovative Educator Dave Floyd (Howard County, MD) will share a variety of Wixie projects and how they were created, including coding activities, STEM journals, storyboards, and art examples for stop-motion animation, student designs for solar ovens, and interactive and collaborative math activities. Be prepared to have all of your circuits light up as Dave shows you to get students STEAM-ing away in Wixie.
	David Floyd (TIE), Howard County PS, MD
	Thankful for Wixie
<u>Video</u> <u>YouTube</u>	Come and see why Tech4Learning Innovative Educator, Heidi Shorter, is thankful for Wixie and all of the wonderful ways her students can show what they know. Heidi will share some of her favorite Wixie templates. You will leave the webinar with ready to use ideas to use with your own students. And THAT is something to be thankful for!
	Heidi Shorter (TIE), Howard County, MD
	Tech Up the Math with Wixie
<u>Video</u> <u>YouTube</u>	Discover ways that you can create transformative math learning experiences. Give students ways to visualize the math concept in a way not possible without the technology, use multimodal learning, and empower our students to interact with their classmates' math thinking. See how Wixie can help you tech up your math instruction.
	Debbie Tannenbaum (Author, TIE), Fairfax County PS, VA

	Wixie What's New for 2022
	The summer update for Wixie includes a lot of new features, as well as some subtle changes that will make Wixie easier to use, like:
Watch on YouTube	 A book layout and page turn transition Dictation to add text to text objects The ability to hyperlink to other pages in a project
	Carolyn Daly and Tiffany Anderle, Tech4Learning
	50 Ideas for Amazing Back-to-School Activities
Watch on YouTube	Make digital learning an integral part of daily classroom learning. In this fast-paced video we created from the webinar, you will explore ideas to help you:
	 Get to know your learners with All About Me projects Use summer memories to get students writing and designing Adapt your favorite back-to-school books Build agency and get students to take charge
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	Wixie Wizardry: PDF Magic with a Few Good Friends
Watch on YouTube	Explore tools to assist you in creating your own stunning Wixie templates in a matter of minutes using the Wixie PDF upload feature. You can improve your efficiency and free up valuable time to focus on what is really important: the content of your lesson. Join us to see how you can "app-smash" your way to becoming a true Wixie Wizard! Kim Lochbaum, District Instructional Technology Specialist, Forsyth, GA
	Engaging and Empowering Elementary Learners with Wixie
Watch on YouTube	Virginia educator Abbe Torres will share classroom-tested lessons. Abbe teaches in a DLI (Dual Language Immersion) program and uses this experience to offer manageable ways to promote digital learning for all students with a focus on building the 4 C's (critical thinking, communication, collaboration, and creativity).

Abbe Torres, First-grade dual-language teacher, Virginia Beach, VA

Artistic Expression and Exploration with Wixie

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New York Art educator Janice Wiggins will share ways to use Wixie for high-quality art education. Wiggins will showcase a wealth of examples, including a focus on emulating great artists through examples from her Van Gogh - Starry night project.

Janice Wiggins, Art Teacher and Safe Zone Co-Coordinator

Supporting Social-Emotional Learning with Wixie

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Western Springs School District in Illinois has revamped its approach to social-emotional learning. Join Beth to get an overview of their goals and the curriculum they have designed and see how they are using Wixie to integrate SEL into everyday lessons for the primary grades.

Beth Tortorello, Technology Integration Specialist, Western Springs SD, IL

The ABC's of Wixie!

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Come explore the ABC's (Activities, Backgrounds, Collaboration & more) of Wixie with technology teacher and Wixie Certified Educator Rachel Gelinas from Howard County, MD. Discover the hidden gems within all things Wixie! Walk away with 26 ideas/tools/strategies to implement into your classroom lessons and make learning with Wixie as easy as A-B-C!

Rachel Gelinas, Howard County PS, MD

Wonderful Ways Wixie Can Empower Our Littles to Create

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Learn easy strategies for getting your youngest students creating with technology, not just consuming. Discover how to promote student agency.

Debbie Tannenbaum

A Wixie Template Tour

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Feeling overwhelmed? Things changing daily? Not enough time? Join us for a Template Tour and learn how to quickly find and use Wixie's pre-made templates to help you save time and implement quality lessons.

Heidi Shorter

Full STEAM ahead with Wixie

Watch on YouTube

We all know the acronym STEAM. Are you stuck using the same tools for student projects? Come explore ways to integrate Wixie into all aspects of STEAM. Join us as we go Full STEAM Ahead using Wixie!

David Floyd

Topic

Easy ideas for checking understanding with Wixie

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Learn to use Wixie's tools and templates to quickly "check-in" with students in class and at home to assess their content understanding. Cindy shares strategies for multiple grade levels so you can see firsthand how Wixie can help you throughout the learning process to encourage, reteach, solidify, and extend learning opportunities.

Cindy Pratt, Minneapolis Public Schools

Using Wixie during #NationalBookMonth

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Wixie is the perfect tool to engage students with the books they are reading and make #NationalBookMonth a month of creating! Explore powerful ways to engage students in reading literature and informational texts, helping students build comprehension and digital-age communication skills through writing, illustrating, and publishing.

Melinda Kolk, Editor, Creative Educator

Using Wixie to Support S.E.L

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Teaching to the "Whole Child" is more important than ever right now! Learn how you can use Wixie's S.E.L templates and projects you create from scratch that build social-emotional skills and highlight important social issues. Wixie ideas for daily check-ins, emotional management, empathy, goal-setting, and support will be shared!

Carolyn Daly, Tech4Learning

How to Wixie-fy your Math Lessons

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Join elementary educator Adele Nathan in exploring classroom-tested lessons and ready-to-use math templates that will guide your students to use math manipulatives in the digital world. Discover how to use Wixie's tools to learn even more about your students' mathematical reasoning and get tips and tricks for translating your best math practices from the classroom into an online environment.

Get Cookin' (and STEAM-ing) with Wixie

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David Floyd, Howard County PS, MD

Using Wixie to Support Language Acquisition in Elementary

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Learn how Meg Martin, Instructional Technology Coach and Wixie Innovative Educator, uses Wixie's tools and templates to create meaningful instruction and assessment for all content areas. She shares grade-specific lesson ideas, how-to guides, and videos to ensure participants have all the necessary support to immediately integrate this easy-to-use digital maker application with their students!

Meaghan Martin, Prince William County PS, VA

Easy Ideas for Voice and Choice in Wixie

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Learn how technology teacher and TIE, Heidi Shorter, uses voice and choice in Wixie to create a sense of acceptance, confidence, and ownership of learning for her students. Heidi will share ways students can extend their Wixie practice and continue learning on their own terms both in school and at home. Heidi will also share fun and festive ways you can add voice, choice, and cheer to learning this holiday season.

Heidi Shorter, Howard County PS, MD

Empower the Littles; Engaging K-2 Learners with Wixie

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Learn how Kyrene Integration Specialist, Jacinta Sorgel, has helped transform primary classroom lessons and activities into learning experiences that encourage students to be active, not passive learners.

Jacinta Sorgel, Kyrene Elementary SD, AZ

Promote Engagement and Deep Thinking with the 4C's

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Explore elementary digital projects that use a 4C's (creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, and communication) approach that encourages students to apply what they have learned. View project work, tools, and resources that will ignite the inner inventor and advocate in all of us.

Jayme Johnson, St. John's Episcopal School, TX

Making the most of Wixie's Team feature From collaborative games, to one-on-one meetings, to remote assessments, explore how Baltimore County primary teacher Kristie Porter uses Wixie's Team feature to connect to Download recording learners and connect them to each other, building community and a sense of belonging Watch on YouTube and friendship during remote learning. Kristie Porter, Baltimore County PS, MD **Telling Hero's Stories through Comics** Everyday heroes are often unseen. After the hurricanes, our town quickly found out there Download recording were more heroes than we ever knew. The students wanted to share the "why" and "how" a hero has helped to serve through Digital Storytelling, comics, and posters as a way to Watch on YouTube promote community service. Debbie Bohanan, Zenith HS, Orlando, FL and Danielle Abernethy, Tech4Learning **Digital Storytelling Through Interviews** Learn how your students can use Wixie to create digital stories based on actual interviews or craft fictitious interviews to showcase their learning. Explore ways you can support your Download recording learners during the research process as well as help them craft powerful questions and Watch on YouTube then order, arrange, prioritize, and dramatize. Melinda Kolk, Editor, Creative Educator, Dir. Professional Learning, Tech4Learning Wixie works for PE too Join PE teachers Hannah Owen and Judy Fulmer for a Wixie brain workout. Learn how they use Wixie in their school districts to assess locomotor skills and student understanding of **Download recording** health/skill related fitness components, design student workout and fitness plans, and engage with Physical Education content! Watch on YouTube Hannah Owen, Baltimore County PS, MD and Judith Fulmer, Howard County PS, MD **Using Wixie so Littles CAN Create** Many people believe that creating with digital tools is too difficult for our youngest Download recording learners, but it doesn't have to be with Wixie. Discover easy ways to promote student agency and learn the amazing opportunities littles have to create. Watch on YouTube Debbie Tannenbaum, Fairfax County PS, VA **Using Wixie for Powerful Progress Checks** Come explore how we used Wixie to differentiate assignments and better evaluate learner progress during distance learning. Using our experience with math, we will share supports Download recording we used to help learners work independently and review concepts, as well as ways we structured assignments to allow students to respond in multiple ways. We will share how Watch on YouTube our use of Wixie made our Math Reasoning Inventories more efficient, reduced student

anxiety, and still allowed teachers to provide personalized feedback and support.

Wixie for Music Lessons

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Looking for new ways to engage students in your elementary music lessons? Wixie gives students the opportunity to interpret, show what they know, create and perform! Fairfax County, VA music teachers Pam and Lianne will share activities designed for elementary general music students in grades 1-6.

Pamela Wilson and Lianne LaFleur, Fairfax County PS, VA

Delighting Your Youngest Learners with Digital Projects

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Come join Tech4Learning Innovative Educator, Beth Tortorello for ideas you can use tomorrow in your Early Childhood/Preschool classroom. Explore examples of student projects and hear tips and tricks for creating in Wixie with your youngest learners.

Beth Tortorello, Western Springs SD 101, IL

Amplifying Thinking Routines with Wixie

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Project Zero's Thinking Routines promote students' thinking by having students synthesize their thoughts to make their thinking visible. Discover ways to use Wixie to help you amplify the use of these routines and empower your students to new heights.

Debbie Tannenbaum, Fairfax County PS, VA

Making Comics in Wixie

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From panels to printing multiple pages, from speech bubbles to superhero stickers, come learn how your students can use Wixie to develop comics that showcase their learning. This session will combine features and samples to inspire you.

Danielle Abernethy, Tech4Learning

Full STEAM ahead: combining stories, shapes, and art in primary

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Come explore innovative project ideas you can use to build analytical and creative thinking skills for primary learners. Participants will be introduced to a variety of engaging lesson ideas that exemplify how primary teachers can integrate the fine arts, shapes, and storytelling to support a STEAM approach to learning!

Valerie Belt, Palisades Charter, CA and Tiffany Anderle, Tech4Learning

Craft a Compelling Conference Proposal

Debbie Tannenbaum shares how to craft a compelling conference proposal that stands out! Learn expert tips and strategies to make your ideas shine and increase your chances of getting accepted. Don't miss this opportunity to enhance your skills and share your voice with a broader audience.