




Google User Group Meeting

Apr 26, 2023 - 1PM EST

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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](#)

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.

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
- Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2599700086934801>



Upcoming events

- 2023 ITIP Ohio Google Summit - May 16-17, 2023 - Kalahari Convention Center in Sandusky - <https://www.itipohio.org/google23> - Detailed [session list](#) is now available - [Eric's post](#)
- CREATE! Conference - June 8, 2023 <https://createconference.net/> Maumee High School (8:15 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) \$20 including a Tony Packo's (world famous hot dogs) lunch.
- The High Impact Conference for Educators - June 13 & 14 2023
 - Call for Proposals is still open - <https://bit.ly/HICEcall23>
 - For more information, visit <https://bit.ly/summerhice>
 - Top secret special guest keynote speaker! Hint: RYERG OKOBSR
- 2023 Ohio Teacher Leadership Summit - June 14, 2023 - <https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Teaching/Teacher-Leadership/Ohio-Teacher-Leadership-Summit>
- ISTE - June 25-28 - conference.iste.org/2023/ - If you are attending you can contribute to our ISTE23 Sharing Doc at bit.ly/iste23-share
- EduProtocols Summer Academy - July 11 and 12, 2023 - Notre Dame University - <https://plus.eduprotocols.com/events/eduprotocols-academy-notre-dame/>
- SPARCC EdTech Conference - July 18, 2023 - In-person and virtual - FREE! <https://conference.apps.sparcc.org/>

- [GTECH Conference](#) - Genoa, Ohio - Tuesday August 8th, Call for Presenters and Registration Open!
- OKSTE - Nov 1-2, 2023 Tulsa OK - <https://okste.org/2023OKSTECConference>
- TCEA 2024, February 3-7, Austin TX: presenter proposals open until June 2; www.tcea.org
- OETC24, February 13, 14, 15 2024, Columbus Ohio



What's New In Google Workspace For Education

Key

- Education Fundamentals (free)
- Education Standard
- Teaching and Learning Upgrade
- Education Plus

March 2023

- 3/30/2023 - New Google Photos movie editor for Chromebooks rolling out - [Resource link](#)
- 3/30/2023 - Find files quicker with search chips in Google Drive - [Resource link](#)
- 3/31/2023 - Share files easily between Android devices and Windows PCs - [Resource link](#)

April 2023

- **4/4/2023** - Google Earth Timelapse adds new imagery for 2021 and 2022, now spans 1984 to 2022 - [Resource link](#)
- **4/10/2023** - Enabling organizational communication with announcements in Google Chat - [Resource link](#)
- **4/10/2023** - Google Bard gets 'Experiment updates' changelog - [Resource link](#)
- **4/11/2023** - Introducing new collaboration and flexibility features for Google Sites - [Resource link](#)
- **4/12/2023** - Practice sets in Google Classroom are now generally available, and teachers can now share practice sets with verified teachers in their Google Workspace - [Resource link](#) ([Eric's post](#) on Practice Sets)
- **4/12/2023** - Streamlined file organization with the new Google Drive location picker - [Resource link](#)
- 4/12/2023 - Set default label values for files in Google Drive - [Resource link](#)
- 4/16/2023 - AI is coming soon to Google Search with 'Magi' as Samsung considers Bing default - [Resource link](#)
- **4/16/2023** - Google working on 'GIFI' image generator, 'Searchalong' chatbot in Chrome, more - [Resource link](#)

- 4/18/2023 - Assign admin roles to specific groups - [Resource link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 4/18/2023 - Expanding admin privileges for Google Meet hardware devices - [Resource link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **4/18/2023** - Turn off the video feed for select tiles in Meet - [Resource link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- 4/19/2023 - Better location context for events and RSVPs in Gmail - [Resource link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **4/20/2023** - Co-present Google Slides in Google Meet - [Resource link](#) 🎓+
- **4/21/2023** - Bard now helps you code - [Resource link](#) (Tony Vincent's [example](#))
- **4/25/2023** - Enhancing tool discovery in Google Docs, Sheets, and Slides - [Resource link](#) 🧱💰🎓+
- **4/25/2023** - Full HD in Google Meet video calls - [Resource link](#) 🎓+
- 4/25/2023 - Protect business data with ChromeOS Data Controls and new security integrations - [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
 - EdTech Links of the Week - 4-17-23 - [Resource link](#)
 - EdTech Links of the Week - 4-10-23 - [Resource link](#)
 - EdTech Links of the Week - 4-3-23 - [Resource link](#)
- Eric's posts from Control Alt Achieve
 - Podcast Spotlight: EdVentures in Tech - [Resource link](#)
 - Google Bard Overview for Educators - [Resource link](#)
 - National Poetry Month Competition and Resources - [Resource link](#)
 - Announcing Poems Too Silly To Say - [Resource link](#)
- Eric's "Ai in Education" Doc - <https://bit.ly/curts-ai>
- You can take it with you! Transfer your Gmail and Drive with Google Takeout for Schools - [Resource link](#)
- Google I/O is May 10, 2023 - <https://io.google/2023/>

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:

- [Photopea.com](#) - Online photo editor which can open and edit Photoshop files. Free.
- Webinar on the [Wakelet - Google Challenge on Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs)
 - You can now copy and paste images into a wakelet collection.

GEG community Show and Tell:

- Not sure if this goes here, but if you want your name to go onto a map of who is turning in for the live broadcast, fill out this Google Form: <https://forms.gle/uzcRe8HYXbbFzbtr5>. Here's the map!
<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/viewer?mid=17tU7euSWENO-A36Mgq2PeRDC0rYqeZM&ll=20.0413657325236%2C-43.15704670000002&z=2>
- Here is Looker Studio that Eric mentioned. <https://developers.google.com/looker-studio>
- Real-world collaboration involves chat apps such as Slack. Why not try Google Chat Spaces with students to let them practice collaboration in digital spaces? [What If Students Used Google Chat Spaces For Collaboration, Expression, And Relationship Building? – Tom Mullaney](#)
- CoPilot <https://app.educationcopilot.com/> - Lesson Plan Creator
- Conker.ai
https://www.conker.ai/create?type=topic_only&grade=Kindergarten&n=5&title= - create quizzes using AI that push into Google Forms. From our friends at Mote! (Eric's [video and post](#) on Conker)
- Not new, but I have been using [Schoolytics](#) a lot and I love it, especially for saving Google Classroom Assignments (Workspace) - (Eric's [video overview](#) of Schoolytics)
- Uptale - create VR experiences using this tool -very user friendly - we have had success with international classes using <https://confluence.cc.lehigh.edu/x/KAXJCw>
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? 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
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Anyone have a great way to track program/app usage by teachers and students?	We use Clever analytics to help with overall product/app usage. We use Securly reveal . Classlink Analytics or just contact the vendors
When will the custom building blocks released in Google Docs?	The Upcoming Google Workspace releases page still lists this as "In development"
Google screencasting...?	Here are my (Eric) resources on Google Screencast - Resource Doc - Tutorial Video - Blog post - What specific questions do you have? Thanks!
Is there a way to turn off the new Google Drive features (when moving files)? I feel like it now takes soooo long to move folders and files...I'm finding that I always have to start back at "My Drive" (due to the suggestions not being what I'm looking for). The new feature doesn't allow me to drag/drop into a new folder anymore (like if I just want to move a "folder in a folder" out and into a folder next to it. Sorry if I'm being confusing.	if on chromebook.. try the file manager in the chromebook... it's a life saver
Bard doesn't let you save a response within Bard, right? It has to be copied and saved somewhere else?	No - only ChatGPT does. Bard is just a list, and if you leave the conversation, you lose the response.
Any word on when Google Classroom is releasing the ability to have quarters?	They've been testing grading periods (configurable) but who knows when they will get it into release (not for fundamentals tho, only paid tiers) (we were in the beta program)

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