

Apps for Teaching

These apps are free (unless indicated otherwise) and great for creating content in your class or to share with students and have them use the apps to create content for projects or have students demonstrate concepts or application of concepts.



Chatterpix:

Great app for creating talking photos. Snap a picture, draw a mouth, record your audio, and you have a talking photo. Don't want your students to share on social media, get Chatterpix kids. Available iOS

What to use this for:

Teach procedures by creating a talking post-it note about the importance of taking notes. Create talking beakers and use audio on how to use them. Student scan create talking photos of historical figures like authors, presidents and famous people. Doing a battle of the bands? Get talking photos of famous musicians inviting your students to the event and then share on Instagram and Twitter.



Phonto:

Great app for adding text to photos. Available on iOS and Google

What to use this for:

Enhance your photos with text. People are more likely to look at your Twitter and Facebook post if it has text. Create a photo with text advertising your next event and then share away.



Nutshell:

Great and easy to use app that creates short 12-15 second videos. Add animation and titles in the app and you are good to go. Available iOS

We used this app to showcase student events: lunch time rally, service projects, after school events. It relies on taking three photos (and records video in between), so you could use this to highlight the top 3 main points in an essay, top three points in an article, in a lab or discussion.



Sock Puppets:

You create the sock puppets, make them talk, and put them in an background you choose. Available iOS

What to use this for:

Have students apply their knowledge by having the puppets engage in a debate or act out a scene from a story.





Hyperlapse

Time lapse app used with Instagram. Available on iOS and Google

What to use this for:

Show a student getting their spirit wear on for a game, including face paint and more. Use it to record a lab assignment and cut the 45 minute process down to about 30 seconds. Show students setting up a rally, dance or getting ready for the big game.



Tellagami

Base app is free with in app purchases. This is a great app to create animated talking characters. Available on iOS and Google

What to use this for:

Have a student who is shy in front of crowds? Great way to create a talking character, using their voice, explaining a scientific process, historical event, character analysis and more.



AutoRap

Become your own personal rap star. Base app is free with a subscription to have access to more music. Available on iOS and Google

What to use this for:

No rhyming skills necessary. Create your own songs to use with assignments, projects, school events, announcements and more.



Fyuse

This is a 3D interactive video app. Record your subject in 3D, and the phone rotates around that subject for a 360 degree view. Available on iOS and Google.

What to use this for:

Take a video of your students who are really dressed up. Stand in the middle of a rally and get a 360 view of how spirited your gym looks. Same for dances, games, community service and more.



Lipp

This a voice over app where you can add the voice for popular celebrities or animation. Available on iOS and Google

What to use this for:

Have students make short clips of celebrities reciting monologues of famous plays, presidential speeches or have them promote your event in these short clips.



BLABBERIZE

Desktop or laptop only: <http://blabberize.com/>

What to use this for: Smilar to Chatterpix, it is a desktop app that can be used to draw a mouth on the picture, and record audio to make the photo talk.



Nearpod

Ideal for classrooms with a class set of computers or mobile devices. It's designed to teach and project your lesson and one time to a large group. This allows you to change your room set-up (say a circle instead of rows) as well as how you check for understanding and deliver content. You also have a library of content you can choose from to see lesson other teachers have created.

Today'sMeet

Is a back channel communication tool used as a companion with existing lessons.

<https://todaysmeet.com/>.

What it's used for: Watching a film or hosting a lecture? This app will let you create chatrooms where students can start conversations or ask questions. The lesson can be extended beyond the classroom and grow with the conversation.



Font Candy

This is a fun typography app for your device that can be used on iPhone or Desktop

What to use this for: Add fun text overlays to your images, create memes, make your photos stylish with text. Great for sharing on social media.



Disney Side

A great app to show off your love of Disney. Become your favorite villain or princess in this app that transforms your look. Great for rallies and events where Disney characters reign supreme.



Voxer

A walkie talkie app that works with text or voice. You seen conversations in real time or get to them when you have time. Great app for collaboration, use it one to one or with a large group. For example, planning a rally, homecoming or the next big science project.

