## Parent Technology Workshop: Google Apps, Extensions, and Add-ons

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Google Chrome has a library of special tools you can access through the browser called Apps, Extensions and Add-ons that can make your life in the classroom easier. Plus, when you use Chrome, all of the apps, extensions and web history are stored in the cloud, so wherever you login, they are literally at your fingertips. Use Google Apps, Extensions and Add-ons to create authentic learning experiences for our students more than ever by promoting collaboration and helping them access their work anywhere and anytime.

• Resource: Extensions, Add-Ons and Apps, Oh My! How to Utilize Google in Your Classroom

**Google Apps:** Google Chrome Apps are like desktop software programs you install on your computer, except that you use them directly within your browser.

- G Suite Learning Center
- <u>Chromebook Classroom</u> (2 short videos about Extensions and Web Apps)

### **Google Extensions and Web Apps:**

Extensions are mini programs that modify and enhance the functionality of the Google Chrome browser. They extend Google Chrome's abilities by adding a button next to the address bar, which applies to the current website being viewed.

Chrome Web Apps are advanced interactive websites providing either a wide-ranging set of features, or focusing on a single task like photo editing or shopping. You can discover more than 30,000 free and paid apps, themes and extensions at the Chrome Web Store.

#### **Extensions**

- Google Dictionary View definitions easily as you browse the web
- Save to Pocket Way to save articles to read later
- Read&Write for Google Docs accessibility writing tool for Google Docs
- Save to Google Drive Chrome Extension
- 10 More Useful Chrome Extensions
- 50 Useful Chrome Extensions

#### Web Apps

- Timer
- <u>DocHub</u> Free online PDF editing. Simple sharing & faxing. No strings attached.
- Google Drive create, share and keep all your stuff in one place.
- PicMonkey
- Graphing Calculator by Desmos
- Audiotool free online music production studio!
- <u>Ck-12</u> CK-12 is an app to help students, teachers and parents improve K-12 learning globally. Learn at your own pace and in your own style! (videos, images, interactive objects, etc)
- Even More Chrome Apps and Extensions

## **Google Add-ons:**

Google Drive has enabled Google Add Ons and there are some that you and your students will want to enable right away. Add-ons are extra features within Google Drive that enhance its functions. Apps may appeal to anyone who works remotely.

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