

## Edmodo Tips and Uses

Edmodo can be a powerful tool in today's classrooms. It can serve as a secure digital platform for teacher's online resources and can be customized to fit any classroom's specific needs. It can also be used by administrators, counselors, or by educators on a district wide level. Below are a few tips on how to effectively use Edmodo, as well as different ways educators are using Edmodo.

**Tips:** Below are a few tips for effectively using Edmodo

- Once you create an account on Edmodo and sign in, begin exploring all of the possibilities Edmodo has to offer. Start by creating groups for each of your classes, add students to the group, and invite them to join the online class. It is a good idea to create your account with a Google email account, as you can seamlessly attach and upload documents from Google apps, including Drive, Docs, Slides, and more.
- Remember to ask the Edmodo community for curriculum ideas or share your own ideas with the community. It can provide a great way to digitally connect to other educators.
- Utilize the calendar feature. You can have due dates, upcoming class events or school events on the calendar, and all users will have access to the same calendar.

**Uses:** Educators use Edmodo in a variety of different ways to support their work or classroom experience. Below are a few ideas on how to utilize Edmodo's flexibility to meet your educational needs.

- Use Edmodo to reach parents. Many teachers focus their Edmodo accounts towards reaching parents. It can provide a place for parents to check in with their student's class, see any upcoming events, sign digital copies of permission slips, or even read about the teacher's wish list.
- Use Edmodo for formative assessments, including short check-ins or quizzes. You can post quizzes online, rather than handing out paper copies. Graded quizzes are also automatically uploaded to your online gradebook. There is also a polling feature on Edmodo.
- Post assignments to Edmodo. Even if some teachers might still prefer to provide their students with paper copies of assignments, you can also post them online. That way, students can access them on Edmodo if they have misplaced their assignment sheet.
- Some educators don't sync their class with Edmodo, but instead keep all their online materials in the Edmodo Library. All unit plans, materials, and assignments for units can be stored online in Edmodo for free.
- Use Edmodo to facilitate online discussions outside of the classroom.
- The subgrouping aspect of Edmodo allows teachers to create groups within a classroom. It also works for school clubs and other extracurricular activities.