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The Fifty Best Web 2.0 Applications For Education In 2016

Instead of ranking each of the fifty tools on this list in order, I have them organized into three general groups: Useful, Good, and Excellent. The "Excellent" tools are added to the "All-Time" list mentioned previously. Here are my fifty choices for The Best Web 2.0 Applications For Education In 2016:

<http://larryferlazzo.edublogs.org/2016/11/22/the-fifty-best-web-2-0-applications-for-education-in-2016/>

The 20 Best New Social Media Tools to Try in 2017 (And How to Use Them)

With all these tools to choose from, how can you stay on top of the latest and greatest? Keep reading to see the full list with all of 2017's best social media tools.

<https://blog.bufferapp.com/new-social-media-tools-2017>

3 Unusual Ways College Professors Can Use Twitter

From class-based hashtags to office hours, more educators are getting the most out of 140 characters.

<http://www.edtechmagazine.com/higher/article/2016/08/3-ways-college-professors-use-twitter>

20 books by teachers, for teachers to inspire your teaching

When teachers share their life's work with other teachers, students and schools flourish. Here are 20 books for teachers, by teachers.

<http://ditchthattextbook.com/2016/10/13/20-books-by-teachers-for-teachers-to-inspire-your-teaching/>

A child's brain develops faster with exposure to music education

A two-year study by researchers at the Brain and Creativity Institute (BCI) at the University of Southern California shows that exposure to music and music instruction accelerates the brain development of young children in the areas responsible for language development, sound, reading skill and speech perception.

<https://musiceducationworks.wordpress.com/2016/06/19/a-childs-brain-develops-faster-with-exposure-to-music/>

Academic rankings: The university's new clothes?

Before attempting to rank a laboratory or a university among "the best in the world," it is necessary to know precisely what "the best" means, by whom it is defined, and on what basis the measurement is made. Without this conception of the nature and consequences of the measurement, the university captains who steer their vessels using bad compasses and ill-calibrated barometers risk sinking in the first storm.

<http://www.universityaffairs.ca/opinion/in-my-opinion/academic-rankings-universitys-new-clothes/>

EduOpen: a new MOOC Provider Funded by the Italian Government

EduOpen is a new Italian MOOC provider that launched earlier this year in April 2016. Class Central spoke with Prof. Tommaso Minerva from the University of Modena and Reggio Emilia (Italy) to learn more about EduOpen.

<https://www.class-central.com/report/eduopen-italian-mooc-provider/>

Young people aren't skeptical of 'fake news'

Young news consumers have trouble distinguishing credible sources from unreliable ones, according to a new report.

<http://www.futurity.org/fake-news-literacy-young-people-1303892-2/>

4 Ways to Create an Authentic Audience for Students

One of the reasons we want to establish authentic audiences for students is so real people can view and interact with the projects students create. We want to take student work out of a pile of papers (or a hidden digital folder) and place it in the real world. Because when we establish authentic audiences for students, they can see the purpose for their work.

<http://classtechtips.com/2016/11/27/4-ways-create-authentic-audience-students/>

9 Essential Tools for A Paperless Classroom

Digital classroom and/or paperless classroom is a relatively new concept that revolves around the exclusive use of digital tools and web technologies to not only replace traditional pen and paper ways of teaching and learning but, more importantly, transform such practices in ways that facilitate instruction and enhance students learning.

<http://www.educatorstechnology.com/2016/11/9-essential-tools-for-paperless.html>

Add storage to Apple products with Leef

If you use an iPad (or, less likely, an iPhone) for business presentations, you may well have run into storage issues because it's already full of music or other files. If so, it's worth looking at this neat accessory from Leef, which lets you plug in and access any microSD card up to 128Gb, filled with whatever data you wish.

<https://howtospendit.ft.com/technology/107031-leef-iaccess>

IT and Education in Québec

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