



DIGITAL LEARNING & INNOVATION NEWSLETTER



EDCAMP VANCE

Edcamp Vance was a great success! Educators from near and far participated in our professional learning opportunity hosted at the Center For Innovation. Collaborators enjoyed many experiences of participant-driven conversations, a student panel with some of Vance's finest students and ideas on PBIS. We are so thankful for all our participants and for our sponsors. There were so many prizes and our winners were thrilled to know our community has continued to show their support of all their hard work and dedication. Visit the Edcamp Vance website to see the session discussion notes and search the #edcampvance hashtag on Twitter to see more from the event.

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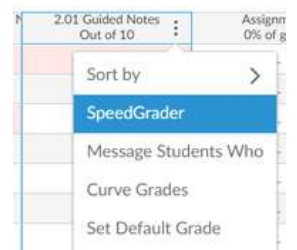
Google Update

Google add-ons are a great tool that allow more functionality to your files. VCS has added Nearpod, IXL, and Adobe Express to your Google Suite. You can find out more information to help guide you through this process by clicking [here](#) to watch a short video tutorial.

Check out this [presentation](#) from NCDPI Digital Teaching and Learning Division with information about all kinds of updates in Google!



CANVAS GRADEBOOK TIPS



1) **Message Students Who** is a great tool for communicating with your students about their assignments! You can easily reach all of your students who did not submit a piece of work to offer them encouragement, or acknowledge the hard work of those students who scored well. Canvas does the hard work, letting you choose groups of students by submission status, score and more.

Access this tool from the 3-dot menu to the right of the assignment name at the top of the column.

2) **Set Default Grade** is the fastest way to enter a standard grade for an assignment. Is it a completion grade and you already know most students will score full points? Did you grade papers or a quiz and know most students scored 74? This tool will let you push that grade all the way down to all of your students, and you can then follow up to enter the grades for the students that scored something else.

3) As the quarter/semester/year rolls on, your gradebook is going to get bigger and harder to navigate. In the **View** menu towards the top left, the **Filters** are your friends! Here you can choose to filter by: a specific module (only want to see this week's grades?); one of the assignment categories, such as Classwork or Application of Learning; or a specific grading period.



TECH RECS



Math....Art....Growth Mindset...

The value of struggle has to be taught. Students must use critical thinking to solve difficult tasks. This makes growth opportunities for everyone. Help learners embrace challenges. These [FREE](#) growth mindset posters are great for encouragement. Shapegrams are nicely packaged inside Google Drawings and Google Slides documents and contain pictures to recreate, space to draw, video tutorials, drawing hints, and side activities.



PhET simulations engage students in science and math concepts through an intuitive, game-like environment. Students learn through exploration and discovery. By launching PhET simulations through Nearpod, EVERY student participates in the exploration, which is directly embedded in your Nearpod lesson. out your @Nearpod library for over 50 ready-to-go lessons.



Happening Now!



We are excited to announce that Center For Innovation's Sound Studio is ready for action. We have our portable podcast system up and ready to broadcast. If you have been entertaining thoughts on how you can reach your broader audiences, this could be your answer. We can help get you scheduled to be on air. Reserve your spot today!

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