

Essential Questions

- O What is Web 2.0?
- O What is a PLN?
- What are some tech tools to get you started right away?
- O How can a teacher or administrator be moved to embrace Web 2.0?

Agenda

- The need for Web 2.0 defined
- The Top Tech Tools
- O Heading toward change
- Resources for further study and exploration
- O Q and A

What is the makeup of our group?

Will Richardson

O The most sweeping change in our relationship with the Internet may not be as much with the ability to publish as it is the ability to share and connect and create with many, many others of like minds and interests.

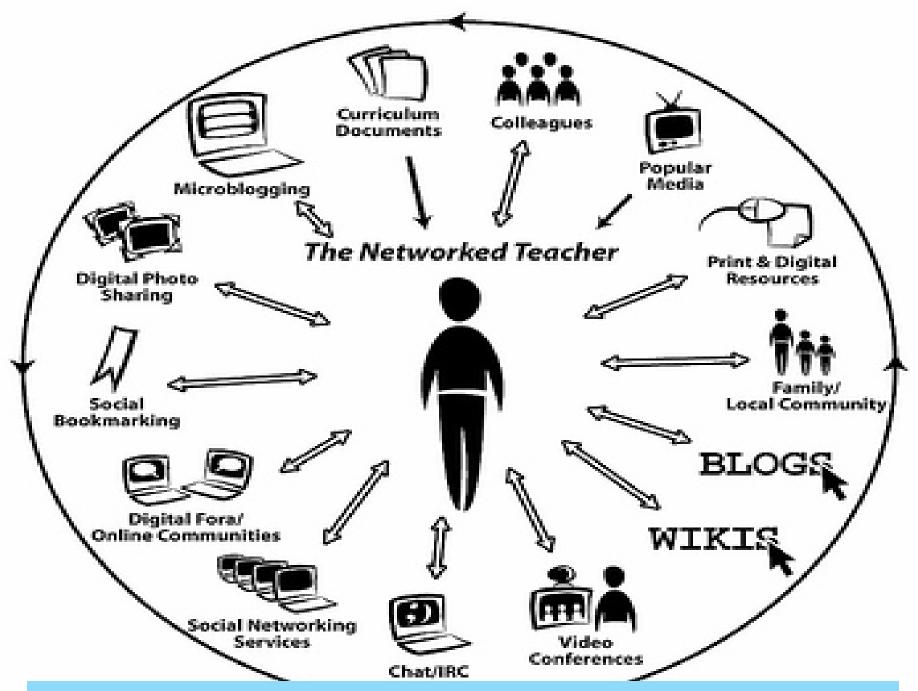
What is Web 2.0?



- Static web pages
- O Using search engines
- Surfing the web

Web 2.0

- Web applications (as opposed to client or desktop based apps)
- O User interaction
- Facebook, Blogs, Twitter, Wikis
- O Users focus on ideas, creativity, collaboration
- Technical know-how is not as important (no need to know computer programming, e.g. HTML)



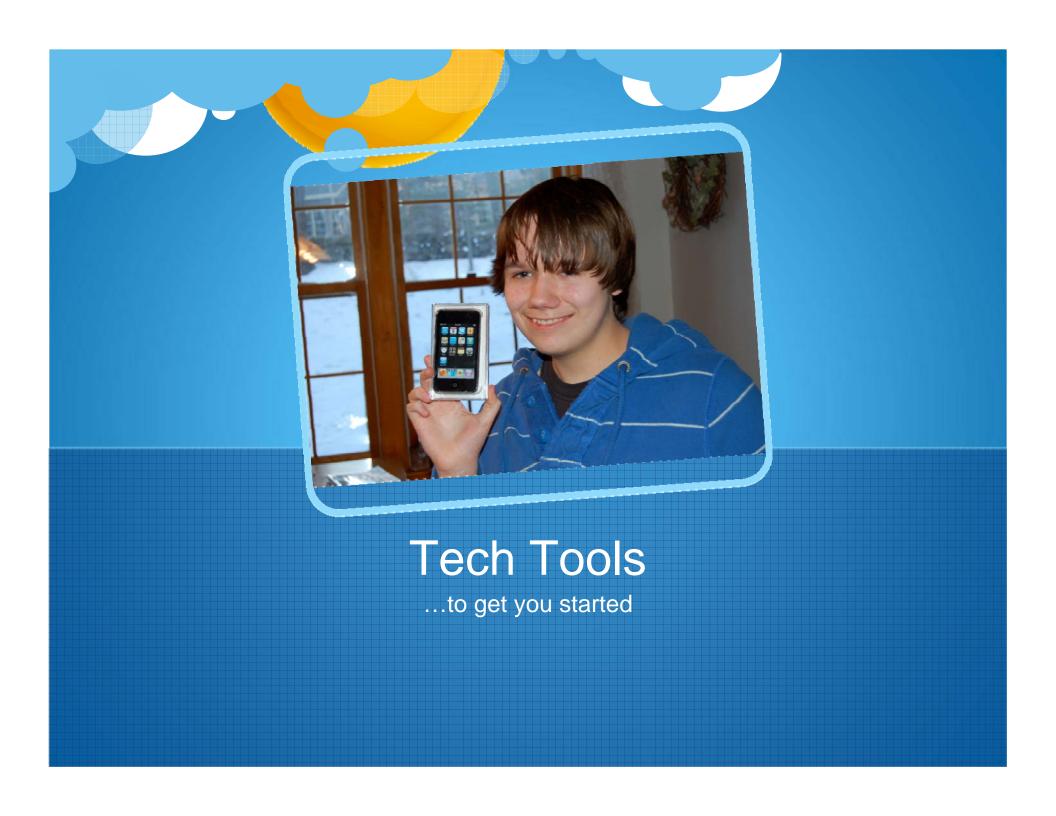
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Educators need a PLN:

- ...to find each other and mentors
- ...to join groups and collaborate
- ...to share evaluated resources
- ...to have access to information
- ...to reflect on the use of information

Web 2.0 Categories

- Aggregators (RSS newfeeders)
- Blogging
- Online Applications (Google Docs)
- Photo-sharing (Flickr, Picasa)
- Podcasting
- O Social Networking (Facebook, Twitter, MySpace)
- Video-sharing (YouTube, Vimeo, TeacherTube)



Digital Portfolios: Richer Picture

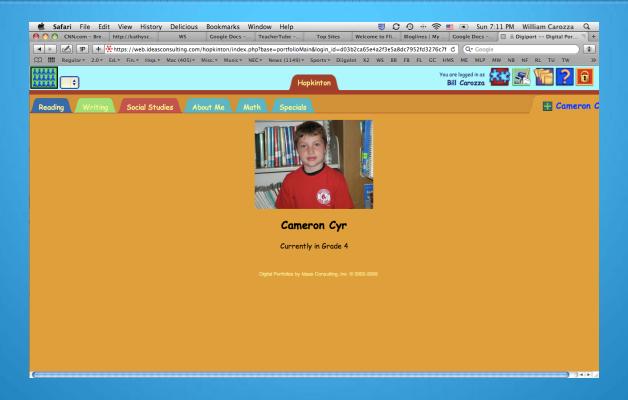
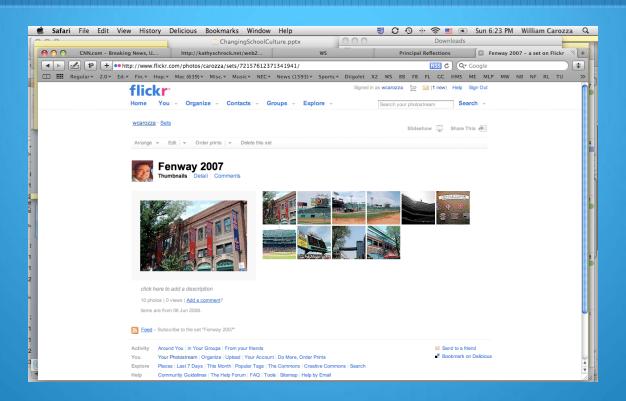
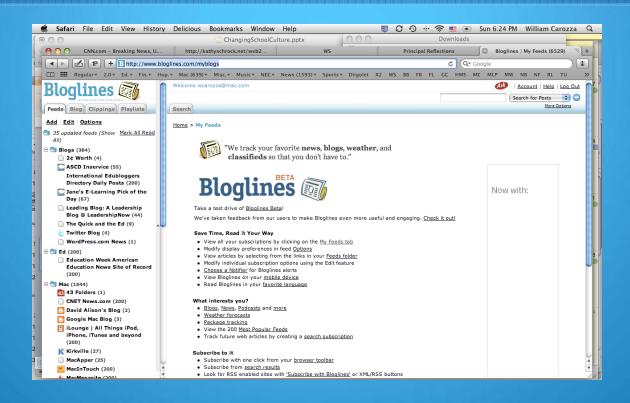


Photo Sharing: Flickr



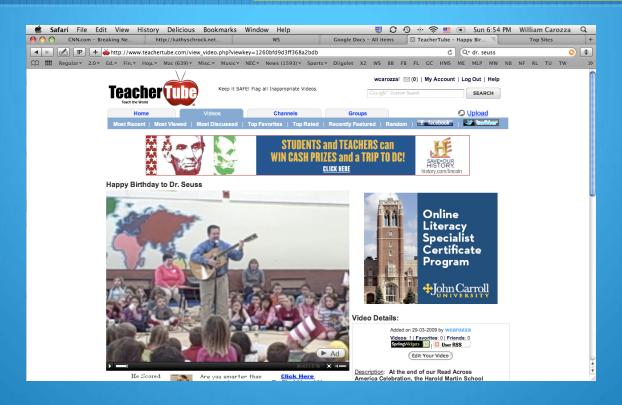
RSS Readers: Bloglines



Personal Learning Networks: Twitter



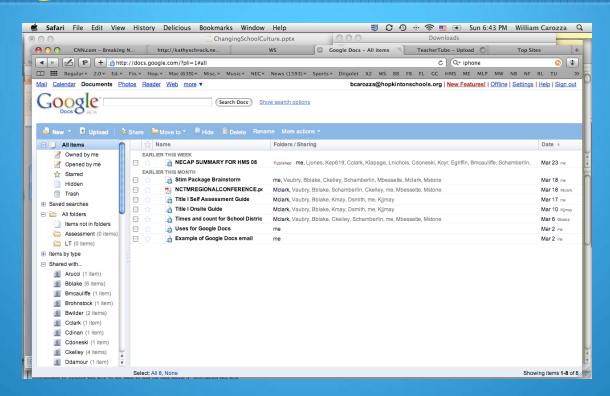
Video Sharing: YouTube or Teacher Tube



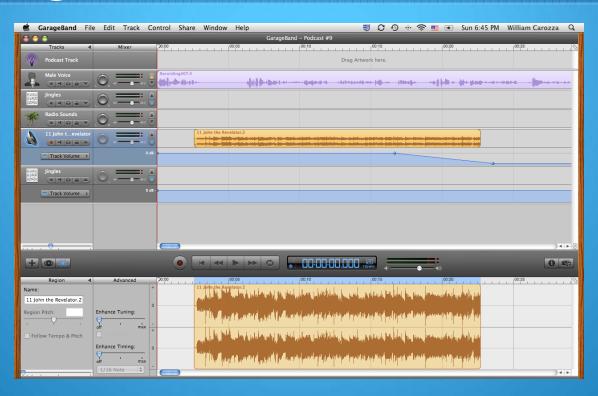
Portable Web 2.0: iPhone or iPod Touch



Collaborative Writing: Google Docs or Wikis



Podcasting: Garageband and PodOMatic



Blogging



What's needed: ICT Literacy

- O Technical skills
- Content generation skills
- O Research skills
- Media Literacy
- Online safety

Moving your school forward



 Study coming out this month from the CoSN (Consortium for School Networking) on Admin Perspectives

Admin Priorities for Web 2.0

- O Keep students interested and engaged
- O Meet the needs of different learners
- O Develop critical thinking skills
- O Develop student capabilities that can't be developed through traditional methods
- Provide alternative learning environments
- Extend learning beyond the school day
- Prepare students to be lifelong learners



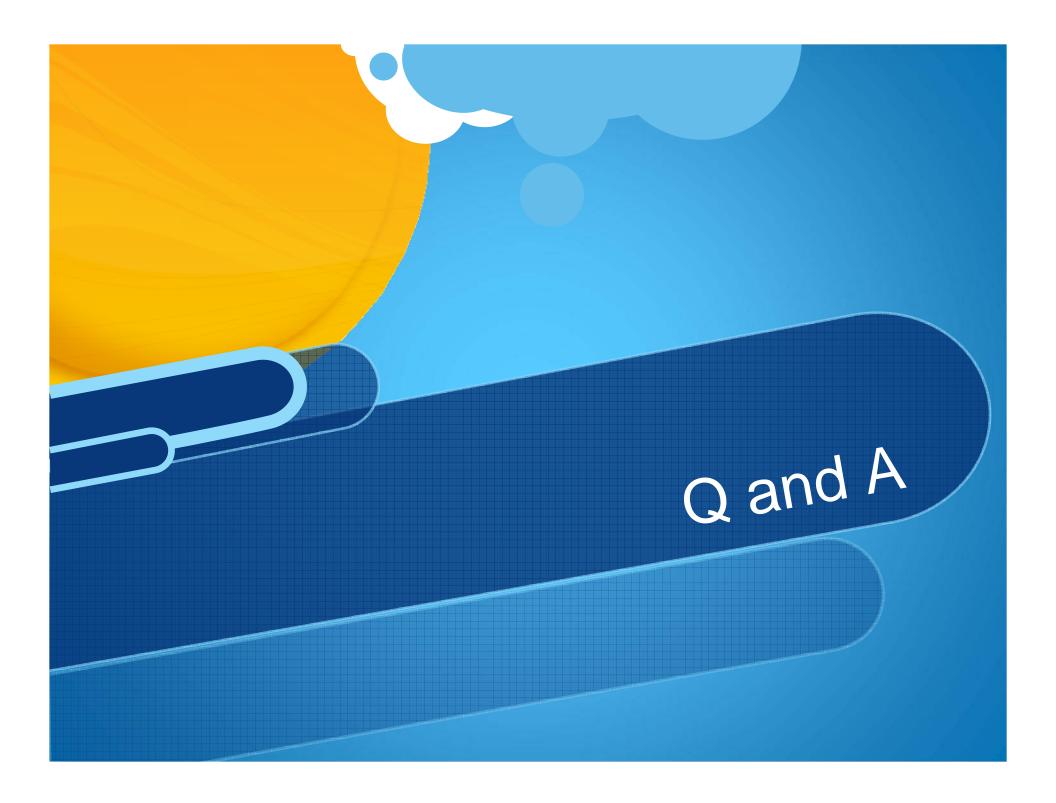
- 70% of schools ban social networking
- 25% of districts have made no decision on Web 2.0
- Majority believe that Web 2.0 tools have not been integrated into their district's curriculum (use of these tools remains the domain of individual pioneering classrooms)

Still more...

- 95% of district administrators say Web 2.0 will require new type of training
- Ø 86% say it will result in a blending between formal and informal learning
- 79% say schools should take full responsibility for modeling Web 2.0
- O Yet only 44% reported taking full responsibility for the restructuring of schools to accommodate Wed 2.0 !!!

Strategies to move your school forward

- Find your supporters and feed them (form a steering committee)
- Provide copious amounts of support
- Be sure to explain the vision
- Make it as simple as possible (don't bite off too much)
- Focus on tech use as part of something they already do
- O Get administrators excited and supportive



Resources

- Links for this session: <u>billcarozza.pbwiki.com/</u>
- Bill's blog: billcarozza.com
- Cathy's blog: thinkict.org
- Office of Ed Tech blog: nheon.org/oetb