

## Sharing Student Work Using Google Sites

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### Abstract:

Student projects are valuable for authentic learning, as assessment tools and as a way to increase student engagement. Sharing these projects is almost as important as creating them. Until recently, sharing projects among students has been difficult. Enter Google Sites, a free, easy to use, web platform on which students can display their work and collect comments from other students. In addition, the site provides an artifact for students to add to their e-portfolios. We will show examples of student projects shared on Google Sites that integrate research data, data analysis and marketing in fair trade companies and sports teams. We will discuss the teaching strategies that worked, the technical problems that were encountered, as well as tactics used to counter initial student resistance to learning a new technology.

### Presenter Bio:

Judy Brophy began her position as an Academic Technology Specialist at Keene State College in October 2009. Her knowledge of online learning environments such as Google tools and her experience supporting the use of common applications to transfer abstract ideas into practical solutions are the mainstay of her responsibilities. Previous to her role at KSC, she worked as the Educational Technology Specialist/Instructional Designer for 6 years at Daniel Webster College in Nashua, NH. Judy earned a M.S in Instructional Technology from Rochester Institute of Technology, an M.S. in Library Science from UMASS – Lowell and her B.A. in Philosophy from Miami University.