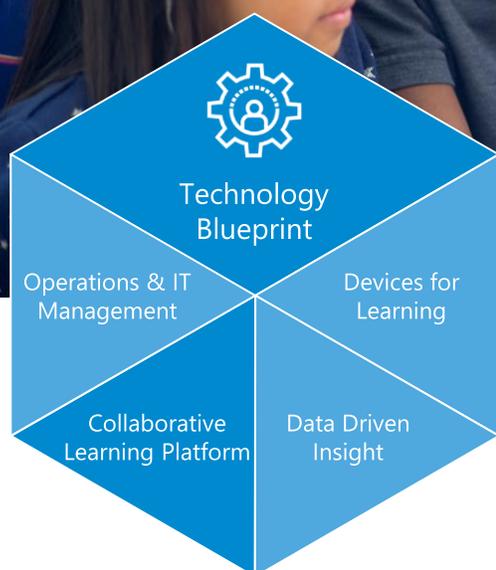


Collaborative Learning Platform



Collaborative Learning Platform is about enabling the next-level collaboration central to modern teaching and learning. The right platform brings together people, learning content and insights. This can make the difference between success and failure for teachers and students.

The [Microsoft K – 12 Education Transformation Framework](#) is an effective, flexible platform for education transformation. To develop it, we combed the latest research and consulted hundreds of academics, experts and policy makers. We distilled the key insights into a single powerful framework.

[Technology Blueprint](#) provides a strong foundation: a reliable, responsive and data-driven technology environment. It empowers teachers, learners and administrators to achieve more every day with intuitive devices. And it gives everyone easy access to the data they need to gauge and improve academic and administrative performance.

What is a Collaborative Learning Platform?

Technology can play a pivotal role in creating personalized learning spaces that address students' social and emotional needs and give educators the ability to personalize learning with the right collaborative learning platform. Students are empowered to work together with interactive, visually rich experiences that build skills and deepen understanding. Personalized learning allows educators to target instruction at students' optimal levels allowing for differentiated instructional practices to meet the varied needs of all students.

*"We talk about the 4 C's a lot; Communication, collaboration, critical thinking skills and creativity. [Microsoft] Teams really does all of them."*¹

Rob Dickson
LMS Executive Director
Omaha Public Schools



Guiding Questions:

- How can learning outcomes improve with the use of collaborative learning platforms?
- How can student literacy and numeracy improve with the use of collaborative learning platforms?
- How can educators' roles transform through the use of collaborative learning platforms?

Expected Outcomes

Collaboration is a key skill in many education systems – collaborative students are more likely to improve skills in other areas like mathematics. Classroom collaboration solutions are designed to enable the modern learning experience by:

- Enabling collaboration in and out of class
- Helping students build on each other's ideas
- Creating modern, collaborative classrooms
- Empowering students to work together
- Saving time and eliminating handouts

"[Microsoft] Teams is a way for students to interact, gather information, and share it right when they need it. I think Teams really embodies the way this generation uses technology."²

Amy Welsh

Chair, Mathematics Department
Davidson Academy

Technology as an Enabler

Collaborative learning platforms bring together a set of tools and apps to help stay organized, make announcements, push out personalized assignments and handle the day-to-day. It's easy to distribute content, even while accommodating students with diverse needs.

Students have everything they need for classroom participation in a single, digital hub that lets them keep track of all their school work, communicate, collaborate and connect with their peers and educators.

There are also tools available specifically for professional learning communities and school staff so that educators can stay connected with other educators and share best practices, lesson plans, and pedagogy outside of the classroom.

Further Reading

Classroom experiences in Microsoft Teams

See full story: <https://aka.ms/Vvzj7l>.

Bear Creek Middle School learning outcomes improve with the help of OneNote Class Notebooks and Office 365:

Read full story: <https://aka.ms/lvmoul>.