

fresh grade (Next)

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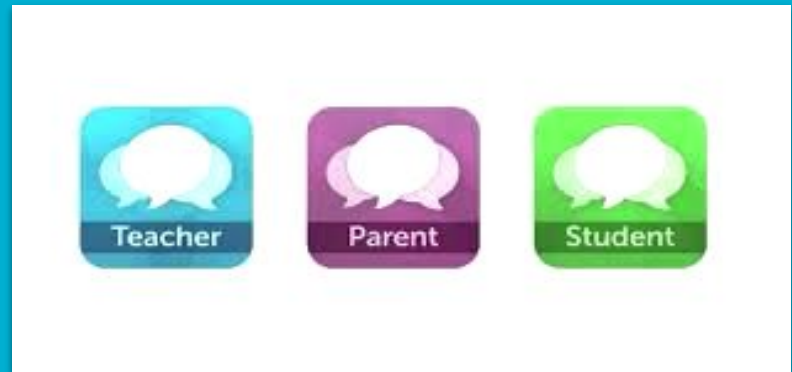
What is FreshGrade and how can we use it to improve family and student engagement in the classroom?





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What is FreshGrade?



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Communication platform between teacher, parent and student for creating:

- ◆ Lesson Plans
- ◆ Portfolio of student work
- ◆ Announcements
- ◆ Activities
- ◆ Progression reports
- ◆ Report cards

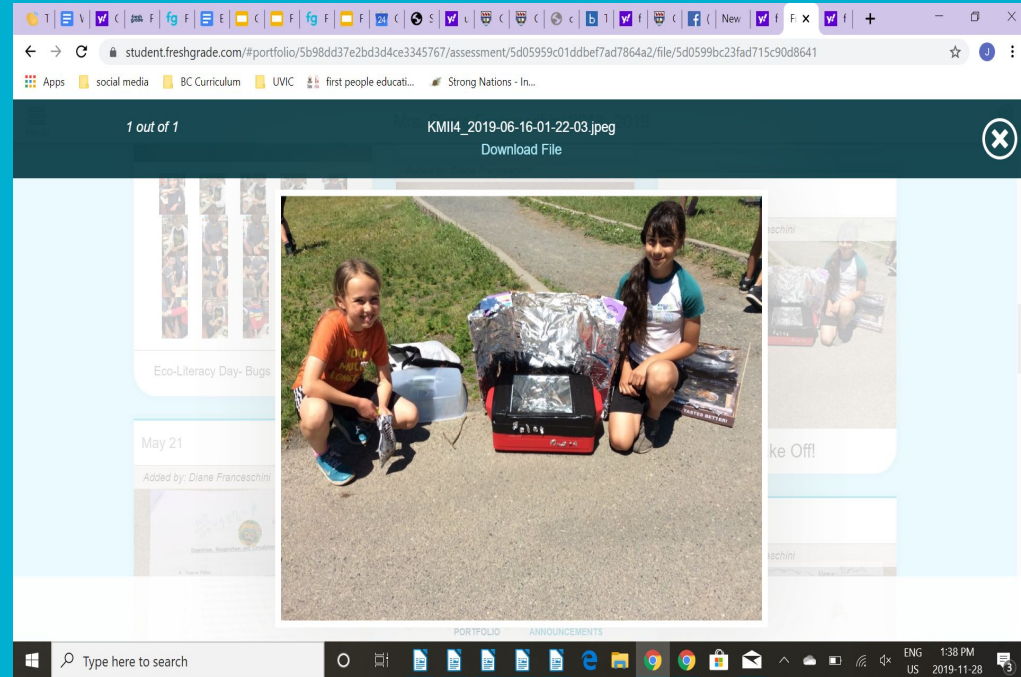
Lesson Plans

- Save time with easy-to-use tools
- Align activities to standards, frameworks, and assessments
- Not readily used among local teachers



Digital Portfolios

- Store and highlight learning
- Portfolio customization
- Keep track of student learning through different forms of media evidence
- Online journaling for self-reflection
- Learning journey documentation



Announcements

- ❖ Post announcements for upcoming events
- ❖ Can see who has read the announcements

3:34 PM Tue Nov 26 Red Foxes

Announcements

| Announcement | Date |
|--|-------------|
| Kelly Hancock Christmas Concert | November 26 |
| Kelly Hancock Early Dismissal Tomorrow | November 20 |
| Kelly Hancock Card Shop | November 14 |
| Kelly Hancock Parent-Teacher Interviews | November 12 |
| Kelly Hancock | November 11 |

Card Shop
Kelly Hancock
November 14

Hello Families,
Just thought I'd put it out there to see if anyone has any old envelopes or cards they might want to donate to the class. I have converted our Drawing&Writing Centre into a "Card Shop" and the kids are eager to write friends and family members cards. If you've got ugly cards you won't use or extra Christmas cards from last year please consider donating to our emerging writers 📄❤️. Thank-you!

Mrs Browns Grade 6 Class

New Announcement

TO: Everyone All Parents All Students

SUBJECT:

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Cancel

Progression Reports

- Great for communication concerning student learning progression
- Early intervention
- Engages parents
- Evidence of learning is readily accessible

The screenshot shows a digital portfolio entry for a student named Emersyn. At the top, it says 'Documentation' and 'DONE'. Below that, there's an 'ASSESSMENT' section with three options: 'Proficient' (selected with a green checkmark), 'EXCUSED', and 'INCOMPLETE'. A 'NOTE' section contains a paragraph of text describing Emersyn's participation in music and art activities. Below the note are three smiley face icons (sad, neutral, happy). The 'ARTIFACTS' section shows a drawing of an umbrella with the word 'umbrella' written on the left page and a colorful drawing of the umbrella on the right page. A name tag 'Emersyn' is placed on the drawing. At the bottom, there are navigation icons and the text 'TAGGED STUDENTS'.

Documentation DONE

ASSESSMENT

✓ Proficient EXCUSED INCOMPLETE

NOTE

Emersyn participates enthusiastically in all music activities and demonstrates a willingness to respond and express herself creatively. She explored and experimented with a variety of art materials and techniques including symmetry painting (green monsters), finger-painting (jack-o-lanterns) and watercolours, sponge painting and oil pastels (snowman art card). She was amazed to see her original piece of artwork transform into a "real" card! Emersyn is able to follow step-by-step instructions during our weekly directed drawing lesson and enjoys seeing her drawing projected on the board during our "Art Show" to showcase the class drawings of the day. Emersyn is most proud of her umbrella drawing.

IMPRESSION

☹️ 😐 😊

ARTIFACTS

umbrella


Emersyn

TAGGED STUDENTS





Report cards

Report Card

 **Jacob Abbott's Report Card**
September 1 - April 30




Health Education

In HACE this term we have focused on Healthy Living and Relationships this term. Please refer to Jacob's portfolio to see examples of his learning.

| | | |
|---|--------------|------|
|  Healthy Living | 2 Objectives | Show |
|  Healthy Relationships | 1 Objective | Show |

Language Arts

"The Outsiders" was the focus for Language Arts this term. We also read a variety of short stories and poems.

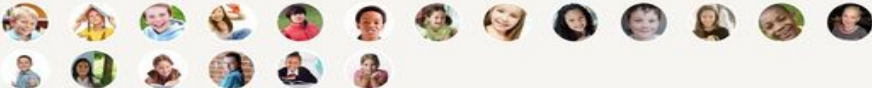
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|  Writing And Representing | 1 Objective | Show |
|  Oral Language (Speaking And Listening) | 1 Objective | Show |
|  Reading And Viewing | 1 Objective | Show |

- Standards-based, score-based, and anecdotal-gradebooks
- Formative, summative, and interim assessments
- Custom assessment scales
- Convenient access to student report card

ASSESSMENT TOOLS

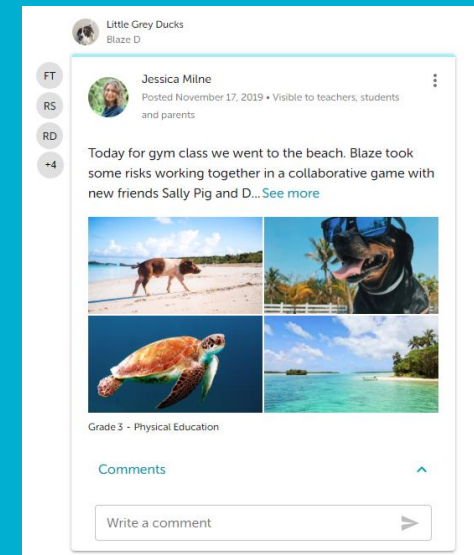
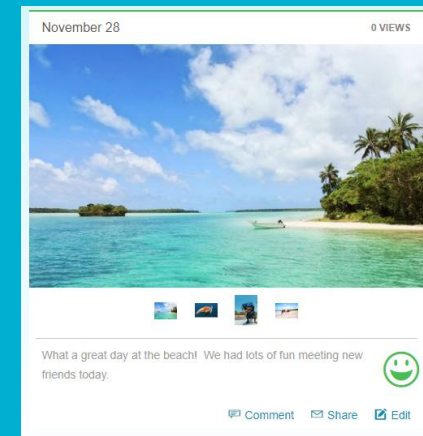
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| <input type="radio"/> Expectations | <input type="radio"/> Learning Progression Tool | <input type="radio"/> Mastery | <input type="radio"/> Submitted: Yes / No |
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STUDENTS
All Students selected. [Change](#)



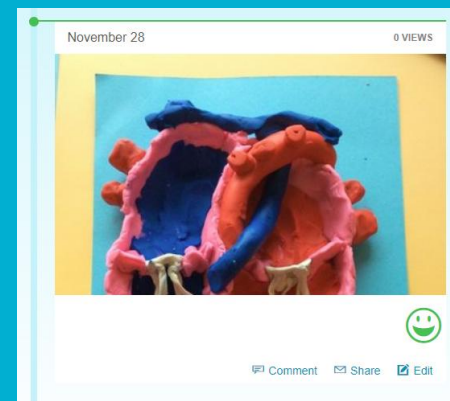
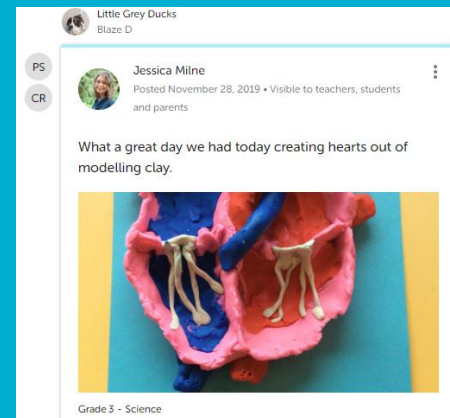
FreshGrade vs. FreshGrade Next

| FreshGrade | FreshGrade Next |
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| Upload one photo at a time | Upload multiple photos at once |
| Gradebook & portfolio look different | Gradebook & portfolio look the same |
| Look different on the iPad, Cell phone or Laptop | Looks the same on all devices |



FreshGrade vs. FreshGrade Next

| FreshGrade | FreshGrade Next |
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| Announcements go to the whole class | Announcements can be customized, can be used like email |
| Difficult to tag cross curricular objectives | Easier to tag cross curricular objectives |
| Technology difficult on every device | Technology is similar on all devices |



FreshGrade Next in Use



Little Grey Ducks

<https://next.freshgrade.com/app/#/portfolio/dashboard?type=myFeed&reload=true>

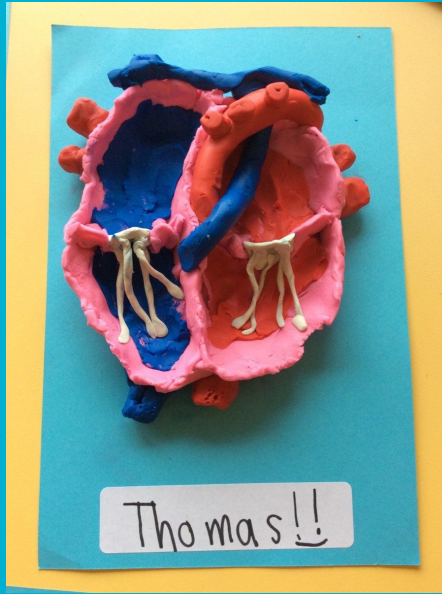
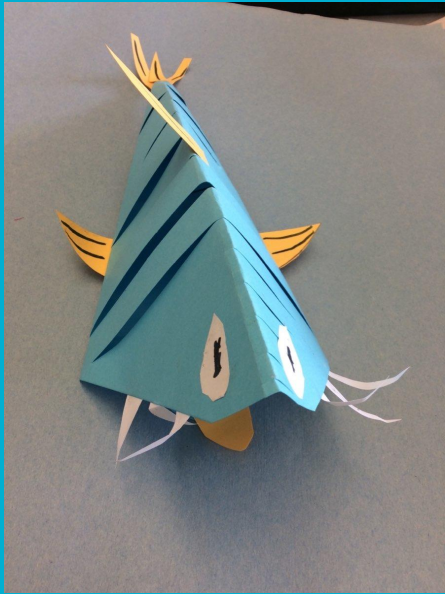
What families have to say...

- Amazing communication tool
- Some parents prefer traditional paper reporting
- May not work for those not who are not tech savvy
- To ponder... *Will the pressure students feel to look up and smile during photo documentation change learning in some way?*



Photo by [Juliane Liebermann](#) on [Unsplash](#)

What students have to say...



Thomas Grade 5

- *"I like showing my parents what I do and what my class does."* Norah, 11 yrs old
- *"I like going back and seeing what I did in grades 4 and 5."* Norah, 11 yrs old
- *"I like having all my marks on the computer instead of on paper."* Thomas, 13 yrs

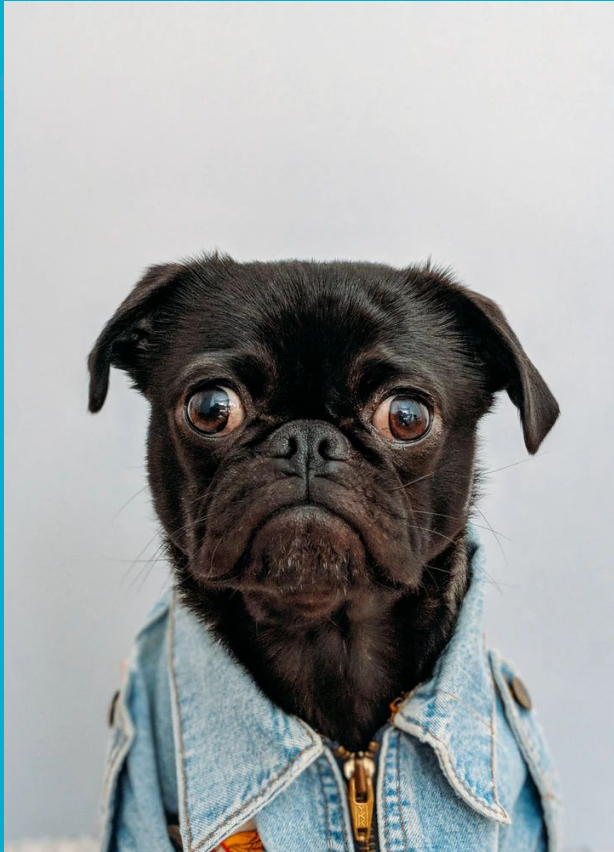
Pros of FreshGrade



Jude Beck on Unsplash

- ❖ Convenience
- ❖ Instant sharing of information
- ❖ Window into the classroom
- ❖ More timely assessments & reports
- ❖ Environmentally friendly
- ❖ Multimodal engagement for students
- ❖ Progress
- ❖ Google Translate

Cons of FreshGrade



Charles PH on Unsplash

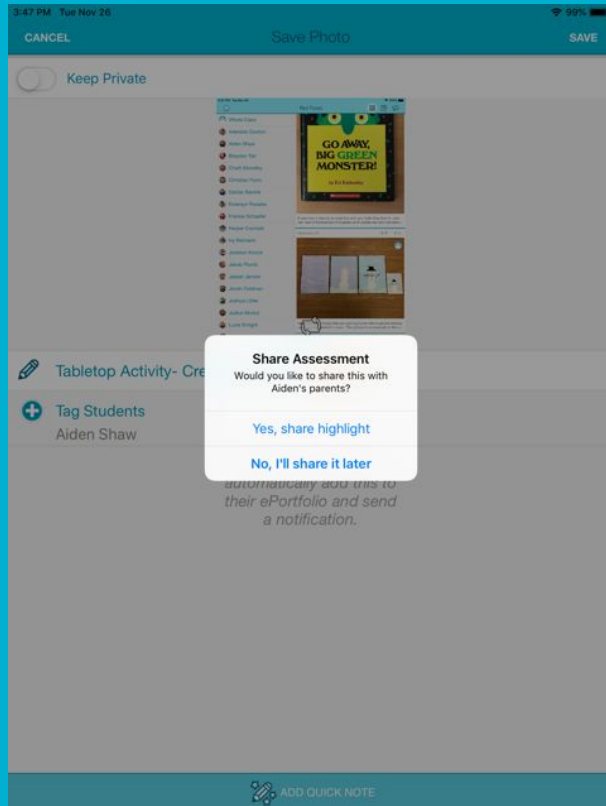
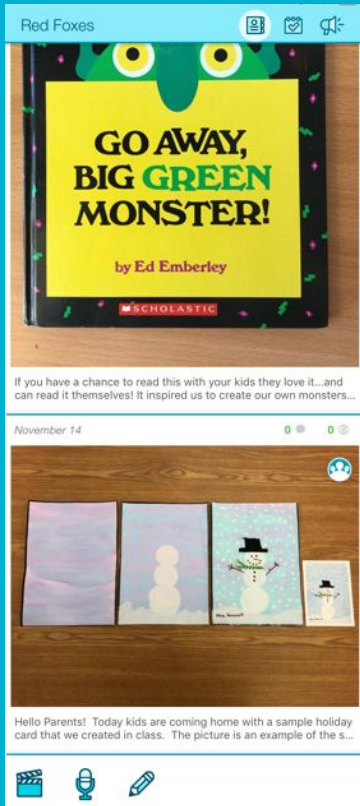
- ❖ Privacy
- ❖ Inconsistent use
- ❖ Parent expectations & time
- ❖ Limited engagement
- ❖ Intimidating
- ❖ Glitches

Tips and Tricks about FreshGrade



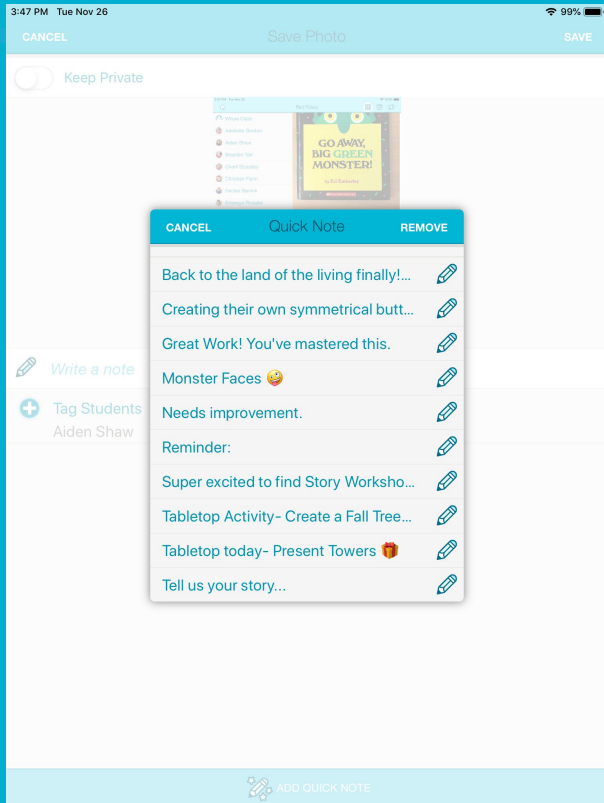
- When first starting just use for communication and announcements
- Focus on one subject
- Learn about it together with another teacher
- Educate parents
- Use iPad supplied by school

Tips and Tricks about FreshGrade



- Photograph groups and tag students
- PicCollage for multiple photos
- Meaningful posts
- Less is more
- Share as highlight

Tips and Tricks about FreshGrade



- Use Quick Note
- Email FreshGrade with school district email

Helpful FreshGrade Links

<https://www.freshgrade.com/blog/51-ways-to-use-freshgrade/>

<https://www.freshgrade.com/blog/11-rookie-tips-for-new-freshgrade-users/>

<http://www.edtechroundup.org/reviews/freshgrade-enabling-teachers-engaging-parents-empowering-students>

<https://matted.tech.blog/2019/03/10/so-fresh-so-clean/>

<https://care.freshgrade.com/s/article/FreshGrade-Step-by-Step-Guide-for-Teachers>

<https://myeducationtech.wordpress.com/2019/03/13/freshgrade-a-teachers-perspective/>

<https://learning.freshgrade.com/courses>

Videos:

- Student: <https://twitter.com/i/status/1194646201423020035>
- Teacher: <https://twitter.com/i/status/1194283713644744704>
- Parent: <https://twitter.com/i/status/1195370875123462144>

Questions?

