

# Messaging Apps and Websites for Students, Teachers and Parents



## Tool Description:

These apps and websites for texting, messaging and communication allow educators to send out assignments, reminders and communicate with families, caregivers and students. This list will help you find a tool to keep your communication consistent, and provide students with opportunities to engage in conversations about their learning.

## How To Use This Tool:

Select the platform that is most appropriate for the grade level(s) and subject (s) you teach. Set up an account within the platform, and provide login information to your students, families and caregivers. Establish a communication protocol with your students, families and caregivers to ensure consistent communication and opportunities to engage in conversations about learning.

Platform & Appropriate Grade Level	Uses & Offerings
<p><b>Classting</b> Social media approach draws families into the daily classroom K-12</p>	<p>Flexible, practical platform for sharing updates and information with families, creating positive communications. Free</p>
<p><b>Google Classroom</b> Simplify communication, collaboration, and document sharing K-12</p>	<p>Google Classroom is a way to manage and organize learning, though teachers who need more features may need to look elsewhere. Free</p>
<p><b>Remind</b> Teachers' text reminders keep students -- and parents -- up to speed K-12</p>	<p>Well-designed, highly effective messaging tool that has the potential to keep students and families connected with their schools. Free/Paid</p>
<p><b>SchoolCNXT</b> Translation, speech features boost parent-teacher messenger K-12</p>	<p>If your school or district makes the investment, this is a neat and accessible way to keep parents engaged. Free</p>
<p><b>Schoology</b> Top-tier LMS for digital classrooms K-12</p>	<p>To make the most of Schoology, you'll need some ramp-up time and great tasks and assessments, but it can offer rich learning and collaboration experiences. Free/Paid</p>
<p><b>TalkingPoints</b> Multilingual texting tool enhances school-to-home communication K-12</p>	<p>Easy-to-use tool for supporting communication and engagement with families in 100+ languages. Free</p>