# USING TECHNOLOGY TO ASSESS IN THE ELEMENTARY MUSIC CLASSROOM

Technology has made assessment more effective, especially for music educators who teach 100+ students a week. This session will give elementary music educators many ways to assess students that vary from one device to multiple devices. Please feel free to bring a device to join in on the assessments!

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### **Resources used today:**

- WavePad Audio Editor Free
  - **Uses:** iOS and Google Play. Simple recordings that you can email to yourself

#### iDoceo (www.idoceo.net) - \$11.99

- Uses: iOS only. Vocal and instrumental assessments through audio and video, Seating Charts, Random Name Chooser, Orff Charts, App Smashing with other Apps, Exporting, and more
- Also check out:
  - GarageBand

(https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/garageband/id408709785?m t=8) - Free

- **Uses:** iOS only. Assess vocal and instrumental tests as well as music creation.
- SoundTrap (soundtrap.com) Free (EDU \$250 for 50 users)
  - Uses: iOS, Chromebooks, Web-based. Assess vocal and instrumental tests as well as music creation and collaboration across the globe.
- Plickers (<u>www.plickers.com</u>) Free
  - **Uses:** Create a free account and assess students on true/false and multiple choice questions using only one iOS device and Plickers cards.

- Socrative (<u>www.socrative.com</u>) Free
  - Uses: Create pre- and post-tests, exit tickets, and games using a free account. Students can login using your classroom name on most devices. No email addresses needed!
- Padlet (<u>www.padlet.com</u>) Free
  - **Uses:** Check in with students with a quick assessment or have them categorize items.
- Google Forms (https://docs.google.com/forms) Free
  - **Uses:** Similar to Socrative, but can be accessed easily if your school is using GSuite.
- Kahoot! (<u>www.kahoot.com</u>) Free
  - **Uses:** Create fun games and competitions out of assessments. You can also assign challenges for students to do at home. Can be accessed from most devices using a number code. No email addresses needed.
- Nearpod (<u>www.nearpod.com</u>) Free and up
  - **Uses:** If you are assessing in a 1:1 classroom, you can create an account and create presentations and polls that students can login into with a number code.
- SMART Learning Suite SMART Lab

#### (https://education.smarttech.com/en/products/smart-learning-suite)

- **Uses:** A combination of Nearpod, Kahoot!, Socrative, and Padlet all included in the Notebook software for your SMART Board.
- Seesaw (web.seesaw.me) Free and up
  - **Uses:** This is a student digital portfolio that can be used for assessment purposes and more.



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