

Technology Tools for Student Management

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Technology should...

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- Be used to solve a problem or to make our jobs easier.
- Engage and/or involve our students.
- Appeal to multiple intelligences and different learning styles.
- Give us time to do other things.
- Breathe new life into our training routines.
- Enhance or improve on an already effective training program.

Google Sites

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Information Services online guide

Benefits:

- Logon, word process, and save. Easy!
- It has that smart Google search engine built in.
- No “forced” collaboration.

Why not Wiki?



Wikis are for collaborative efforts.
Everyone can edit/make changes to the content.

A variety of uses for student managers:

- scheduling
- venue for training
- student communication
- duties lists



Scheduling



Free applications:

- Wikis- PBWorks (formerly PBWiki), Wikispaces
- MediaWiki = the software used to create Wikipedia

http://www.libsuccess.org/index.php?title=Main_Page
(Meredith Farkas's wiki)

[Schmidt Library's schedule wiki](#)

Blackboard's Wiki Tool



Facebook

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- To use or not to use?
- Create a library staff group and “friend” your student staff?
- What about students’ privacy?
- Maybe just encourage your students to befriend each other for shift coverage, etc.?
- Bottom line...
- If you use facebook for socializing, don’t use your personal page to communicate with your student staff.

Make things easier.

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Resources



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