



# Using Mobile Google Tools Tech Tip Project - Fall 2011

*A guide to a Digital Portfolio*

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# Creating a Digital Portfolio using Mobile Applications:

Students today have access to many web 2.0 tools to make learning relevant to them by utilizing mobile technology resources like tablets, smart phones , net books and laptops. The conveniences of these latest technologies include access to the data at all places if combined with mobile data plans and/or Wi-Fi access.

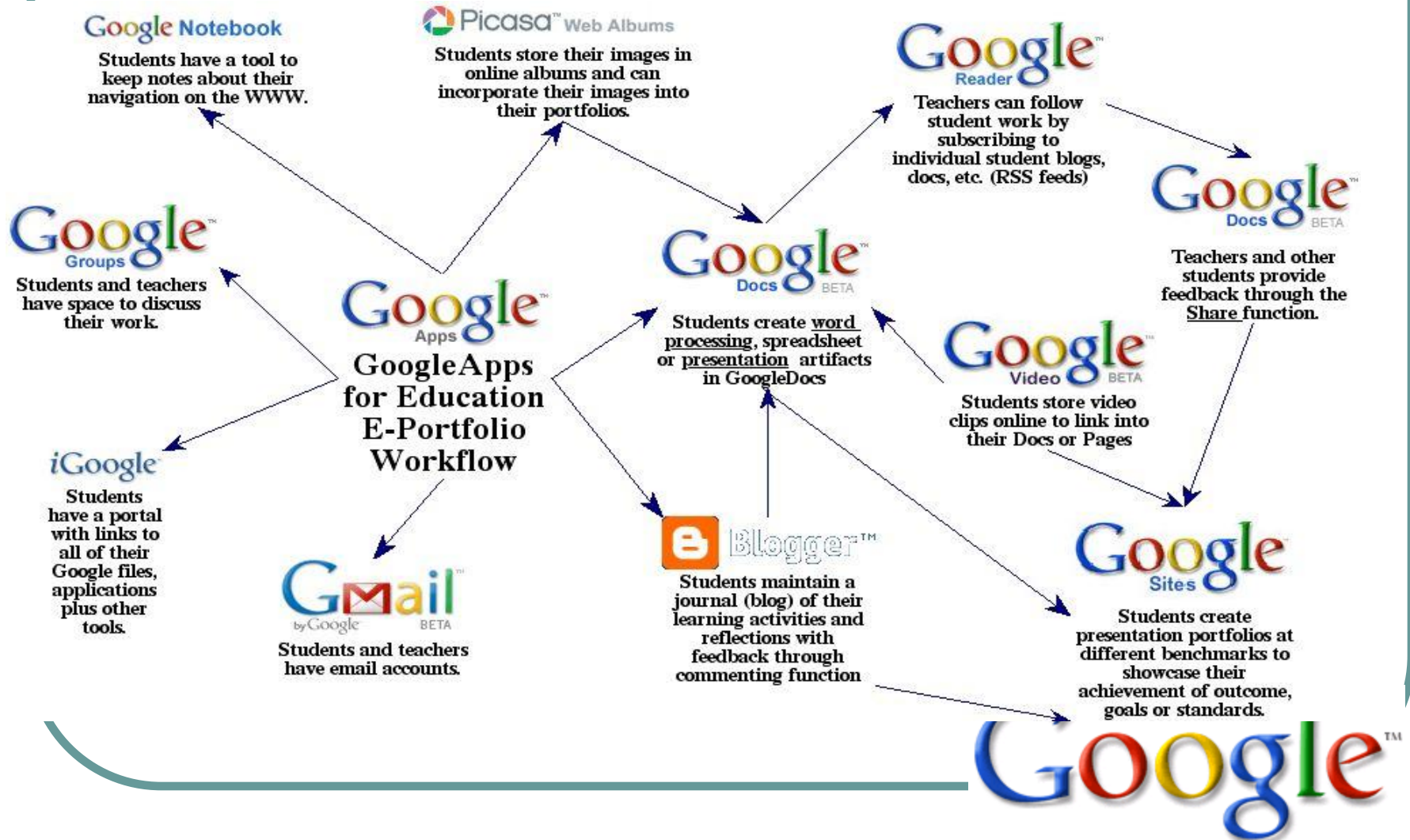
This access can be beneficial as they learn how to use their device to its fullest potential. Mobile devices can help students stay organized with cloud storage and access to all their saved work through applications found easily on the device.

This Technology Tip includes the use the following free applications to help create a student portfolio by utilizing the following applications.

- [Google Documents](#)
- [Google's Picasa](#)
- [Google Blogger](#)
- [Gmail](#)



# Google Products for Education



# Creating a Digital Portfolio using Mobile Applications:

## The Applications ( What are they?):

- [Google Documents](#)- **Google Docs** is a free, Web-based office suite, and data storage service offered by Google. It allows users to create and edit documents online while collaborating in real-time with other users
- [Google's Picasa](#)-**Picasa** is an image organizer and image viewer for organizing and editing digital photos, plus an integrated photo-sharing website, originally created by Idealab in 2002 and owned by Google since 2004.<sup>[1]</sup> "Picasa" is a blend of the name of Spanish painter Pablo Picasso, the phrase *mi casa* for "my house", and "pic" for pictures (personalized art).<sup>[1][2]</sup> In July 2004, Google acquired Picasa and began offering it as a free download.<sup>[1]</sup>

From Wikipedia



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## The Applications ( What are they?):

- [Google Blogger](#)-**Blogger** is a blog-publishing service that allows private or multi-user blogs with time-stamped entries. It was created by Pyra Labs, which was bought by Google in 2003. Generally, the blogs are hosted by Google at a subdomain of blogspot.com.
- [Gmail](#)-**Gmail** is a free, advertising-supported email service provided by Google.<sup>[1]</sup> Users may access Gmail as securewebmail,<sup>[2]</sup> as well via POP3 or IMAP protocols.<sup>[3][4]</sup> Gmail was launched as an invitation-only beta release on April 1, 2004<sup>[5]</sup> and it became available to the general public on February 7, 2007.

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## How can the applications can be accessed?

Many students today are familiar with the Google brand and name used in computing and technology. Recently Google has integrated all of its products into the Smartphone Operating System known as Android that is used to operate many popular phones and tablets that can be used in the classroom setting.

The nice thing about the Android/Google services is that once you create an email with Google using their GMAIL account you can access the same applications and products on all devices registered to that GMAIL account. Gmail accounts and tutorials can be opened up at the following web address:

<https://mail.google.com>



# Creating a Digital Portfolio using Mobile Applications:

## How can the applications can be accessed?

Once the GMAIL account has been set up ([Follow Tutorial to learn how to set up a GMAIL account](#)) you can begin accessing the web applications and [Google Android Market](#) if you are on a tablet and/or Smartphone.

The Android Market is a place where all the software apps are stored that can be used on the Android Platform. From there you can download the [Google blogger](#), [Picasa](#) and [Google Docs](#) applications that can be used to create student portfolios in an educational setting.

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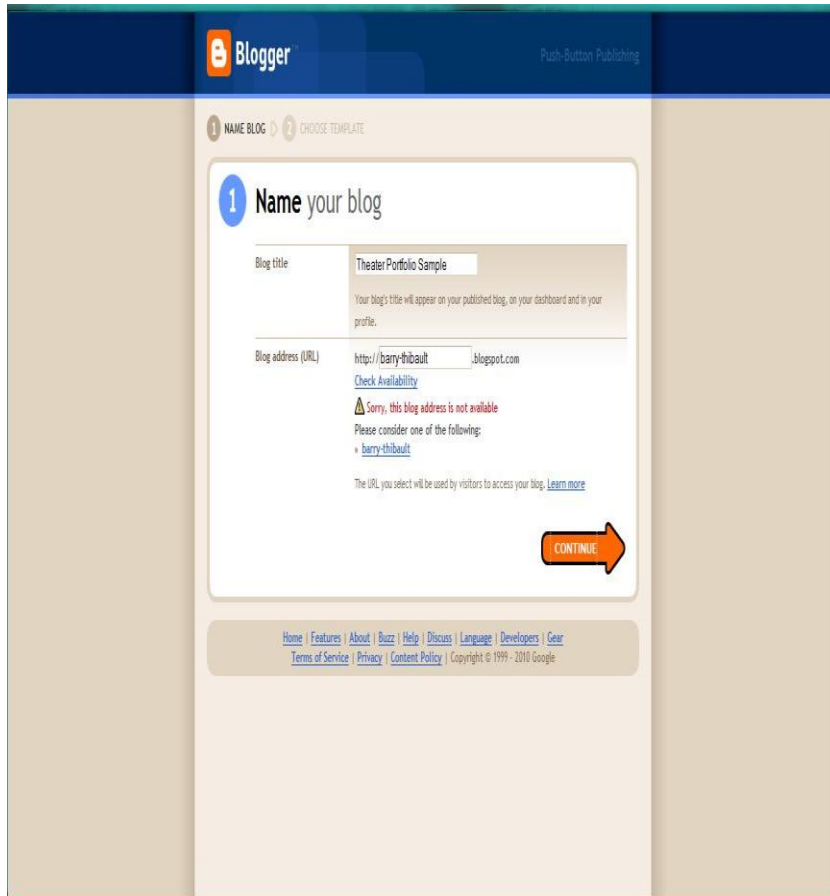
<https://mail.google.com>

Android Market:

<https://market.android.com/>



# Student Theater Samples



The screenshot shows the Blogger 'Name your blog' setup page. At the top, the Blogger logo and 'Push-Button Publishing' are visible. Below the navigation tabs 'NAME BLOG' and 'CHOOSE TEMPLATE', the main heading is '1 Name your blog'. The form contains the following fields and text:

- Blog title:** TheaterPortfolio Sample. Below the input field, it says: "Your blog's title will appear on your published blog, on your dashboard and in your profile."
- Blog address (URL):** http://barry-thibault.blogspot.com. Below the input field, there is a "Check Availability" link and a warning: "Sorry, this blog address is not available. Please consider one of the following: + barry-thibault". Below this, it says: "The URL you select will be used by visitors to access your blog. [Learn more](#)".

At the bottom right of the form is a large orange arrow button labeled "CONTINUE". At the bottom of the page, there is a footer with links: Home | Features | About | Buzz | Help | Discuss | Language | Developers | Gear | Terms of Service | Privacy | Content Policy | Copyright © 1999 - 2010 Google.



The screenshot shows a Blogger blogspot page for Douglass High School Theater. The page has a dark background with a large image of students on a theater stage. The main heading is "DOUGLASS HIGH SCHOOL THEATER BLOG- INTEGRATING TECHNOLOGY INTO THE ARTS". Below the heading, there is a paragraph of text: "THIS BLOGSPOT WILL BE USED FOR THE MEET 7464 CLASS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA. I HOPE TO BE ABLE TO INTEGRATE NEW TEACHING AND LEARNING IDEAS WITH TECHNOLOGY INTO MY HIGH SCHOOL THEATER CLASS PROMOTING A SAFE PLACE TO UPLOAD CLASS PHOTOS, MEDIA, IDEAS, STUDENT WORK AND LESSON PLAN WEBSITE. [HTTP://WWW.MARTYTHIBAUTHTHIBAUT.COM/THEATERCLASS/DEFAULT.HTML](http://www.martythibaultthibault.com/theaterclass/default.html)".

Below the main text, there is a date "SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 2010" and a small image of students with the caption "Drama Students Working Hard or Hardly Working?". To the right of the date, there is a "Google Apps for Business" advertisement with the text: "Get email for your domain & reduce IT costs. Start your free trial! [www.google.com/apps/business](http://www.google.com/apps/business) Ad by Google".

At the bottom right, there is a section titled "ADDITIONAL THEATER LINKS USED FOR THEATER" with a list of links.



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# Creating a Digital Portfolio using Mobile Applications:

## Instructions and tips for using the applications!

All Google applications can be integrated into the classroom for developing a portfolio or other student work. Since the files and pictures, video, and other audio collected can be stored on the Google network it can be retrieved at all times. This is a great tool for students to become familiar with as this allows them to access their secured data without the need for jump drives or even classroom notebooks.

I have used the Picasa storage to create pictures of classroom projects and they can easily be shared with anyone you allow access to by a simple email. Parents can be included in the email list and they will be able to enjoy some classroom projects and letters sent by Google Docs.

The Blogger Application can be accessed to create a classroom blog contributed by all students in the class. It can be used to share and connect with families and faculty about your classroom.



# Creating a Digital Portfolio using Mobile Applications:

- Google Docs is an excellent way to share work with students as you will always have their work stored and it can be used in real time with both teacher and student working on a paper. Class groups are done with ease using this technology and again all work is stored and can be shared through email.



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Group Monologue

TV Script

Opening (Theme song- New York)  
Song fades into background  
B: Good afternoon New York city; I'm Brandy Ross  
F: And I'm Freddie Ivory  
And reporting live from the BIG APPLE!  
B: First i our broadcast we'll have the latest news and happenings by Xavier....Hey Xavier how you doing?  
X: Quite well and thank you...An in today's latest news and happenings Morehouse College, in Atlanta, Georgia, unexpectedly crashed on the side of the road after it had spun out of control because of rapid rainfall. Reports show that no one was killed nor was anyone severely injured, only minor cuts and bruises were found on the victims.That was surely a miracle. This has been the greatest news and happenings with Xavier Lofton, have a nice day and thank you.  
B: Thank you Xavier and it was truly a blessing no one was hurt....Next we will have the 7 day report by Freddie Ivory...Take it away Fred...  
F: Thanks Brandy!....In today's weather there is a slight chance of rain and later it is going to be a little chilly, so wear some warm clothing.  
-On Tuesday it is going to be a little cloudy and later there is probability of rain.  
-But luckily on Wednesday it is going to be a nice and sunny the whole day.  
-On Thursday the warm weather will continue with sunny skies.  
-On Friday it will be very windy, but no need for heavy clothing....and that's all for the weather report....back to you brandy  
B: Thanks Freddy...you kept that very simple and detailed weather report...Speaking of the weather its a beautiful day to have a performance from New York's finest...The Jackoff Boyz!!!  
-Come on stage/Performance  
B: Thanks for stopping by Jackoff Boyz. We most definitely enjoyed your performance....Wow that was such a wonderful performance..Don't you think Freddy?  
F: Yes, Brandy truly remarkable

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Eye Color: Brown  
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Weight: ?????

**Commercials**

Crew Position	Production	Location/Producer
Head Editor	Geico (Car insurance)	
Studio Manager	Sunday's Best	B.E.T.
Lightning/Sound Technician	Several Super Bowl Com.	Paramount Pictures

**Film / T.V.**

Crew Position	Production	Location/Producer
Co-Producer	Several Teen Series	Tyler Perry Studios
Equipment Operator	Live Drive Screenings	Ga Public Broadcasting(GPB)
Control Room Operations	CNN Teen News	Turner Broadcasting

**Theatre**

Crew Position	Production	Location/Producer
Stage Manager	AIDA	Disney
Lightning/Sound Technician	High School Musical	Atlanta Public Schools
Operations Manager	Fashion Week Show	Essence Magazine

**Training**  
I have training in Catwalk operations, auditorium lighting and sound, as well as audio set-up and staging. I have also been trained to fully operate HD camera equipment to capture motion, and studio set-up (lighting,



# Technology Integration

Everybody is talking about technology integration, but few practicing teachers profess to know exactly how to proceed. The fact is that real integration requires change. . . . However, what seems to be lacking is a model that teachers can use to guide them through the necessary changes they will need to make to be successful in integrating new technology into their classroom." (Johnson & Liu, 2000, p. 4).



# Student work stored easily

The screenshot displays a Mozilla Firefox browser window with the Google Docs 'All items' page. The browser's address bar shows the URL `http://docs.google.com/?hl=en&tab=lo#all`. The page header includes navigation links for Gmail, Calendar, Documents, Web, Reader, and more, along with the user's email address `barrythibault@gmail.com` and links for Settings, Help, and Sign out. The main content area is titled 'All items' and features a search bar, 'Search Docs', and 'Search Templates' buttons. A table lists the documents, with columns for Name, Folders / Sharing, and Date. The table shows 1-150 of 196 items, sorted by Last modified. The taskbar at the bottom shows the Windows Start button, Yahoo! Messenger, Google Docs - All it..., and p4t [Compatibility ...].

Name	Folders / Sharing	Date
NOBODY TO MURDER	Aunaniark30 to 1 collaborator	May 14 Aunaniark30
You are invited to witness ""	Missdouglassjc to 1 collaborator	May 5 Missdouglassjc
DeAngelo Rivers	Shahiedrivers to 1 collaborator	May 5 Shahiedrivers
FDHS Drama Club Presents:	Atchisonnabika to 1 collaborator	May 5 Atchisonnabika
yrrab - Contact Us	me to everyone	May 3 me
yrrab - Tutorial: Google for Webmasters	Not shared	May 3 me
Douglass High School Presents: No Body To Murder	Destiney.mrs.cupcake to 1 viewer	May 3 Destiney.mrs.cupcake
Technology in the classroom workshop survey- Techy Teachers	Not shared	Apr 18 me
Untitled form	Not shared	Apr 18 me
What Show will take home the "Tony Award" for best musical this year?	Not shared	Apr 15 me
Untitled drawing	Not shared	Apr 15 me

# Theater Digital Portfolios

- Allow owners to share, document and collaborate
- Add Performance over time
- Instant access through gmail, docs or internet
- Share pictures and slideshows



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The screenshot shows a Blogger blog interface with a dark background. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a search icon, a search input field, and links for 'Follow', 'Share', 'Report Abuse', and 'Next Blog'. On the right side of the navigation bar, the email address 'barrythibault@gmail.com' and links for 'New Post', 'Design', and 'Sign Out' are visible.

## Theater Portfolio Sample

No posts.

Home

Subscribe to: Posts (Atom)

### Followers

Follow with Google Friend Connect

There are no followers yet. [Be the first!](#)

Already a member? [Sign in](#)

### About Me

**Mr. Thibault**  
View my complete profile

Awesome Inc. template by Tina Chen. Powered by Blogger.

# Digital Portfolio

- I hope this technology Tip can be useful to you and your classroom as you can see there are endless possibilities.
- This was a presentation of very basic uses in a high school setting but it should be developed for your own use!
- Blog with Google to save and create classroom and/or student memories
- How do you envision using Google tools? Do you have any questions?
- Need more tutorials or advice?
- **Contact me at my GMAIL today:**  
[barrythibault@gmail.com](mailto:barrythibault@gmail.com)
- Next steps, use Google tools to create your own portfolio starting today.

