



Tutorials for parents: Teams, Sway, PowerPoint Live and FlipGrid_1

Teams

Allows multiple means of communication and learning activities. Teachers can create assignments and evaluate them. Classes have video conference capacity and teachers can have 1:1 meetings with students as needs. Take a look at the top [10 features of Teams](#)

Sway

The power of sway allows a student to create a series of cards which can be mixed and matched or re-combined for an interesting storyline. The content can include links to information supporting websites, videos, images and narratives (voice overs). Here is a good starting point [tutorial for Sway](#) Here is a more advanced tutorial, a [quick overview of Sway](#).

PowerPoint LIVE

Creating a PowerPoint deck is common but the "Live" feature is relatively new in 2020. Teachers can allow students to [respond to online presentations](#) in "real time": that is to say, while the teacher presents at a scheduled time, the students can respond and ask questions at the same time. For parents, it may be important to see [how students can produce a PowerPoint deck and go live](#) with one of their classes.

FlipGrid

This application allows students to respond to teachers with video commentary. It is useful because it does not have to be a "real time" activity. Students can complete an on-line assignment and [post a response that captures their authentic ideas](#). Using FlipGrid becomes easier with practice and frequency. Here is a [student tutorial](#) for the app.
