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Nine ideas for...

using QR codes in education

QR codes are two-dimensional bar codes embedded with information. Using them in your classroom may be easier than you think!

- 1 QUICKLY SHARE MANY TYPES OF INFORMATION.**
Codes can be created to share URLs, contact information, calendar events, locations, app downloads, tweets, text messages, wifi logins and more.
- 2 DIRECT STUDENTS TO ENRICHMENT OR REMEDIATION ACTIVITIES.**
Codes can direct students to You Tube videos or Educreation tutorials you've created.
- 3 WELCOME NEW STUDENTS WITH TECHNOLOGY.**
Place QR codes around the school with relevant information for new students. They can use their mobile devices to find out what's for lunch or when the lab is open.
- 4 SEND STUDENTS ON A QR CODE QUEST.**
Embed review questions in QR codes and let students move around the room to scan the codes and answer questions.
- 5 SAVE TIME IN THE LAB.**
Give students a handout with QR codes embedded that lead to websites you want them to visit. Instead of typing URLs (and making mistakes), they can scan and go!
- 6 BUILD SUPPORT RIGHT INTO A WORKSHEET.**
For difficult questions, add QR codes with hints for students who need a deeper level of review.
- 7 SEE HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE SCANNING YOUR CODES.**
With a QR creator like goo.gl or kaywa.com you can see how many times your code has been scanned.
- 8 INCREASE COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS.**
Send home field trip permission slips with a QR code embedded with the location of the field trip or the URL to a volunteer sign-up sheet in Google Docs.
- 9 USE COLOR.**
Color your codes to help students keep things organized - blue for language arts, green for math, red for science. You get the idea!

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