BLOGS, WIKIS, PODCASTS, AND OTHER POWERFUL WEB TOOLS FOR CLASSROOMS (THIRD EDITION) - BOOK REVIEW

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Textbook details

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About the author

Will Richardson graduated as Bachelor of Science in Journalism, Ohio University, Athens, OH in 1980 and Master of Arts (Teaching), College of New Jersey, Trenton, NJ, in 1983. He is a very active presence on the web; he has both a Twitter and YouTube channel and a highly ranked edublog on Weblogg-ed. Richardson is now an independent presenter and owner of Connective Learning, LLC. He promotes the implementation of Read/Write technologies in K-12 classrooms. He is also an advocate

for school reform which encourages the integration of technology in learning. He was also recently named to the National Advisory Board for the George Lucas Education Foundation. Along with Sheryl Nussbaum-Beach, he is co-owner of Powerful Learning Practice, a company that delivers job-embedded, year-long professional development to schools worldwide around the pedagogies of Web 2.0 tools. District Administration magazine publishes a quarterly column by Richardson titled The Online Edge. Will Richardson has been part of a panel presentation at the 2006 Milken Global Conference and has given presentations all over the world.

Will Richardson has authored four books, most recently *Why* School? How Education Must Change When Learning and Information are Everywhere (September, 2012) published by TED books and based on his most recent TEDx talk in Melbourne, Australia. *Why School?* is now the #1 best-selling TED book ever. In total, his books have sold over 150,000 copies worldwide.

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"Richardson's book was a touchstone for me when I started trying to figure out how to integrate participatory media into my teaching. I recommend this book to any teacher at any level who is interested in the learner-centric pedagogy that social media enables."

Howard Rheingold, Lecturer at Stanford University

"This book is loaded with insightful and honest advice about the Web 2.0 in education. Will Richardson has amassed decades of technology integration experience as a teacher, consultant, blogger, and educational leader. There are few like him and few books like this."

Curtis J. Bonk, Professor, Indiana University

Blogs, Wikis, Podcasts, and Other Powerful Web Tools for Classrooms offer an extensive guide on the latest potentially educative resources that internet could offer to educators of any level: from Blogging to Wikis, from Social Web to news and podcasting. All the presented material is strongly supported with multiple theoretical and practical examples, many of them being results of his enormous experience as educator and consultant.

The book was written for educators of all levels and disciplines, the third edition of the best-selling book Blogs, Wikis, Podcasts, and Other Powerful Web Tools for Classrooms provides real examples from K–12 worldwide teachers who are in front of bringing today's Web tools into their classrooms and to their students. This book is filled with practical advice on how teachers and students can use the Web to learn more, create more, and communicate better.

The third edition is reorganized with new materials on modern Web publishing and information literacy, helping students and teachers use Web tools within the classroom to enhance contemporary student learning and achievement.

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