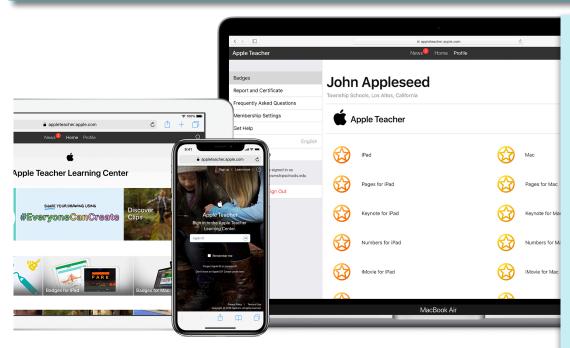
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## **Tech Toolbox**

"Technology will never replace great teachers, but in their hands, it is transformational."
- George Couros





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### **Apple Teacher Professional Learning**

Get recognized for the proficiency you have gained not only as an Apple device user, but as an official Apple Teacher.

Everyone wants to be recognized for the effort they put in to their work. And let's be honest, we all put in a *lot* of effort each day. When it comes to technology, the effort we put in to learn and teach with new tools can often go unnoticed - even by ourselves! But think about how much you have



Match how to get the most out of our new MDM, coming this August!



**Logitech Crayon**This stylus takes the iPad to a new level.
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#### JOIN UP

Create an account:

<u>apple.com/</u>
appleteacher



#### STUDY UP

Choose a pathway (iPad or Mac) and work through each module.



#### **BADGE UP**

Complete quizzes to show what you know. Earn all badges to become an Apple Teacher! TECH TOOLBOX MARCH 2021

learned since we introduced the iPad into our school way back in 2012. Certainly that has to be enough to warrant several badges of honor.

The Apple Teacher program recognizes the work educators have put in to learning and teaching with Apple tools.

Whether you know it or not, you are *already* an Apple teacher. You've been using iPads and Macs to make some amazing things happen in your



classroom. So why not take those few extra steps to make it official? With Apple Teacher recognition, you are given a certificate to display, a logo for your website or email signature, and the tools to share your achievements all over social media. Your colleagues will know you are someone they can brainstorm ideas with, your students will know that you "know your stuff," parents will know you are on the cutting edge, and administrators will know you can make the most of the tools you are given.

# Are you a power user but want to learn more about integration? Try the new Apple Teacher Portfolio professional learning track!

The <u>Apple Teacher Learning Center</u> is the hub for all things Apple Teacher. There are two pathways in which you can earn badges leading to initial certification: iPad and Mac. Go deeper into integration with Apple Portfolio and Swift Playgrounds pathways. Not only can you go through these modules and take quizzes, you can explore a library of lesson ideas and templates submitted by other Apple Teachers. Participate in regular Twitter chats with @AppleEDU and share lesson ideas of your own!

#### PROFESSIONAL LEARNING SHARE-OUT

The Internet, as we know, is an amazing resource for finding new ideas and learning how to give them a try in our classrooms. However, nothing can really replace an engaging and relevant PD session from an inspirational organization or speaker. Better still is the ability to dive deep. I was fortunate to attend <a href="code.org">code.org</a>'s TeacherCon in Atlanta, where I spent an entire week learning the intricacies of the middle school curriculum I was about to teach. As someone new to computer science, I benefited from the immersive experience. I also built relationships with many Nebraska CS educators, and when we returned, we continued to collaborate. I encourage you to seek out PD that may be relevant to you!

