



## TUESDAY TECH TASTES

Tuesday Tech Tastes serves up quick, bite-sized EdTech menu options designed specifically for busy K-12 educators! Each session delivers practical tools for lesson planning and personalized learning—giving you back valuable prep time without the tech headache. Every "taste" will strive to elevate student achievement across our districts. Grab your coffee or dirty soda, take a quick 5-minute bite, and transform your classroom tech integration one easy strategy at a time! Head to [sedck12.org/TueTechTaste](https://sedck12.org/TueTechTaste) to learn more.

Look for a new Taste every 2 weeks in Canvas. Share what you've learned for a chance to win a custom classroom poster, printed and delivered by SEDC.

## WHAT'S NEW?

### UTAH COMPOSE ➡ SCRIBBLE

As you may have heard, Scribble is officially stepping in as Utah's all-in-one writing platform following the retirement of Utah Compose. This fall a major set of updates — richer feedback tools, a sharper Outline Editor, automated scoring for argumentative essays, and more — are rolling out and we want to make sure leaders like you are equipped to support your teachers through the transition.

Train-the-Trainer sessions will take place in September & October. Once those take place, SEDC will be there to provide training and support for this newly improved platform. Want tailored, dedicated sessions? Let us know and we can get that going for you.



## MISSION.io

### Magic School Bus + Star Trek = 🤖

Mission.IO is uniquely built to assess grade-level standards, promote a collaborative and positive classroom community, and support the development of real-world science & engineering skills - but students just think they are playing a fun and engaging game based on what they have just learned!

Teachers have access to loads of missions (assessments) with amazing engagement and great data too.

### ➤ Net Positive: Digital Safety

The Net Positive Program, provided by the Utah Boys & Girls Club, teaches essential skills for navigating the digital world safely and responsibly for online safety & privacy, cyberbullying prevention, and healthy digital & social media habits. They can provide whole-school assemblies, classroom sessions, with virtual &/or hybrid options, all for FREE! Learn more at [sedck12.org/NetPositiveInfo](https://sedck12.org/NetPositiveInfo)

### ➤ News Literacy Project

SEDC has joined the [News Literacy Project](https://www.news-literacy-project.org/)'s prestigious District Fellowship Program. This is a fantastic step forward for education in southwest Utah. The goal is clear: **ensure all students learn to think critically and engage responsibly with news and information.** Contact Chris or your Library Media Specialist to get involved.

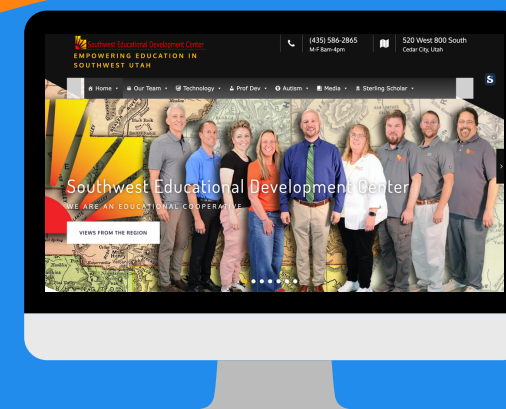
### ➤ ADA Compliance for Websites

A Federal ADA Law compliance "cliff" is approaching in April '27 that requires **ALL** media published on the Web to be accessible by those with vision difficulties. SEDC has developed a Chrome extension that not only identifies issues on a web page, but also provides help and fixes in simple, plain language. We are in the late development stages now, but let Clint know if you would like to get your Webmaster going on some "Quick Wins" for your site.



## SEDC 2026-27 Professional Learning

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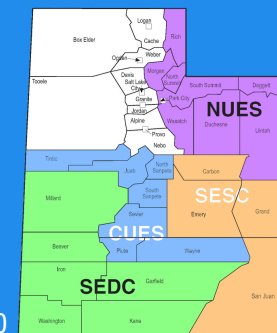
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# FREE TOOLS UTAH TEACHERS SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

Are you using any of these?  
Are you paying for them?  
We can help you learn more.

- **Canvas:** Learning Management System
- **Lucid:** Interactive Whiteboards & More
- **Nearpod:** Engage and Assess Instruction on the Fly
- **Adobe Creative Cloud + Adobe Express**
- **Scribble:** Great Research Tools, now with Writing Feedback
- **Swank:** Movie Licensing & Streaming Legally
- **Cisco Webex** or **Zoom:** Videoconferencing
- **Mission.io** Gamified Assessments and Feedback for K-8
- **MyVideoSpot:** Create & Curate Video & Digital Assets

Available on State Contract for Drastically  
Reduced Price

- **Copyleaks:** Originality Detection
- **Derivita:** Math Course Software
- **MagicSchool, SchoolAI, Brisk Teaching, & Skill Struck Chat:** AI Tools for Teachers & Students
- **Respondus & Smarter Proctoring:** Online Exam Proctoring

Utah's Online School Library:  
High Quality, Vetted, 24-7 For All

Accessible at: [onlinelibrary.uen.org](https://onlinelibrary.uen.org)

- **eMedia:** Netflix for Educators
- **Gale:** Age Appropriate Research in Context
- **Digital Science Online:** Videos, Animations, Images, Teacher Guides & More
- **World Book:** Not your Parents Encyclopedia
- **Sora:** eBook Library (SEDC Sora too!)
- **SIRS Global Newsstream & Issues Researcher**
- **TeachingBooks:** Everything ELSE to Teach Books
- **Culturegrams:** Info Around the US and World
- **Soundzabound:** Royalty Free Music & Sounds
- **Utah Specific & General Resources Too!**



**AI: AMPLIFY. PERSONALIZE.  
GET HOME SOONER.**

AI resources and tools available to teachers right now are astounding, and they are improving each day. Teachers need to know how to safely and effectively utilize AI with daily tasks, as well as help students safely use it too.

We can explore the AI basics to do more, save time, and amplify your instruction. If you have the basics covered, we can dig into Prompt Engineering or look at the incredible things you can do for FREE with Google Gemini, Gems & Notebook. UEN has several incredible self-paced courses for exploration and credit, or take a look at certifications from SchoolAI, MagicSchool and Brisk Teaching.

## ➤ Educator Endorsement Courses

Look no further to expand your educator's toolkit and earn university credit at the same time! SEDC facilitates endorsement courses in Math, Math Specialist, Gifted & Talented, Elementary Science, Instructional Coaching, Educational Technology and more. Along with our partner RESA's, you can earn any endorsement you need.

# SEDC MEDIA

## STEM-POWERED PLAY & LEGO EDUCATION KITS LENDING LIBRARY

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our brand new STEM-Powered Play circulating collection! Developed by a dedicated committee of regional school librarians and funded by an LSTA grant, this "Library of Things" is designed to redefine the rural school library experience.

We have built 60 comprehensive, hands-on learning kits specifically for grades K-8. These kits are designed to transform your library or classroom from a passive reading space into an active, inquiry-based learning lab.

Every STEM-Powered Play kit is a fully self-contained lesson in a box, structured around three core pillars to blend literacy with interactive discovery:

- **High-Interest Non-Fiction Books**
- **Durable, Reusable STEM Materials**
- **Standards-Aligned Lesson Plans**

View our STEM Kit & Lego Education Library offerings and reserve a kit or two today at [sedck12.org/stemkits](https://sedck12.org/stemkits)

