Virtual Classrooms

9 VIRTUAL CLASSROOM SOLUTIONS FOR SCHOOLS & BUSINESS TRAINING

1. Google Classroom
Google Classroom is a free web service, developed for schools, that aims to simplify the process of creating, distributing, and grading assignments in a paperless way. The purpose of Google Classroom is to streamline the sharing of files between teachers and students and is an easy-to-use tool that helps teachers manage coursework. With Classroom, educators can create classes, distribute assignments, grade and send feedback, and see everything in one place. Classroom is included free for schools who sign up for G Suite for Education. Like all Google for Education tools, Classroom meets high security standards. G Suite for Education Enterprise is priced at $4.00 per staffer and $4.00 per student per month. **https://classroom.google.com/h** and **https://edu.google.com/**

2. Adobe Connect
Adobe Connect lets users create exceptional digital training, webinar, and collaboration experiences with complete control over the look and function of virtual rooms. It enables customization where hosts can create experiences that include branding and content. Functionality is delivered via resizable pods. Instructors can position as many of these pods on screen at any time letting them simultaneously share multiple screens or use multiple chat pods for capturing feedback on various topics. Other features include custom layouts for presentations, videos, polls, and more across multiple sessions. There are also room templates along with power features that let users work behind the scene. Adobe Connect has an entry level price of $375.00 per month. **https://www.adobe.com/products/adobeconnect.html**

3. Blackboard Collaborate
Blackboard Collaborate is a one click virtual classroom and online collaboration tool built specifically for institutions who need to deliver more engaging, personalized, and flexible learning options for students. Designed with lerners in mind, Blackboard Collaborate delivers in a way that makes students forget they're not in a physical classroom. Blackboard Collaborate is a great solution for K-12 and higher education as well as professional, corporate, and government organizations. Individual classroom licenses start at $300.00 per year. **https://www.blackboard.com/**

4. BigBlueButton
BigBlueButton is a professional looking solution for teaching students online. The application provides real-time sharing of audio, video, slides, chat, and screen. Students are engaged through sharing of emoji icons, polling, and breakout rooms. Built-in polling makes it easy to engage students and recording lectures means that users can make them available for later review. When using the whiteboard tool, annotations are automatically displayed back to the students in real-time. Presenters can also zoom, highlight, draw and write on presentations making their points clearer to remote students. BigBlueButton offers a free, open source version with paid, A La Carte add on applications such as: Talent LMS, Wordpress, Moodle, Scholar LMS , and SkyPrep. **https://bigbluebutton.org/**

5. LearnCube
LearnCube offers an intuitive and seamless virtual classroom that's perfect for teachers and online schools wanting purpose-built features and better insights into the class. LearnCube offers reliable live video and high quality audio, Interactive whiteboards, and instant access to saved lesson materials via PDFs, video, Google docs and more. Students access the classroom and materials using a downloadable link. LearnCube features solutions for both independent teachers looking for a great experience and for large online tutoring companies or language schools wanting better insights into their operations. Free 14 day trials for all are available with "Virtual Classroom Pro" solutions starting at $168.00 per year, per teacher. There is also a free basic version for one to one teaching. **https://www.learncube.com/virtual-classroom-software.html**

6. WizIQ
WizIQ provides a complete solution to tutors, institutes and organizations to deliver live online classes and launch self-paced courses. WizIQ is easy-to-use, affordable and gives the freedom to learners to access the courses from any location and device. With WizIQ, businesses can launch their own custom-branded learning/training portal with features such as virtual classroom, course builder, tests and assessment builder, customized mobile application, eCommerce and reports. Free trials are available with pricing by quotation based on individual requirements. **https://www.wiziq.com/**

7. Samba Live
Samba Live is an encrypted, browser-based system used for interactive online meetings, webinars, and virtual classrooms available 24/7 from anywhere in the world. Features for Samba Live include HD video conferencing with cloud-based recording, live broadcasting over Facebook or Youtube, dial-in teleconferencing, and the ability to incorporate learning management systems and other third-party tools for seamless integration. Samba Live also features a virtual hand raise for students, custom polling, file sharing, and more. The Pro plan is priced at $49.00 per month can host up to 25 participants while the Pro Plus plan at $75.00 per month can be configured for up to 10,000 attendees. There is a 14 day free trial. **https://www.digitalsamba.com/**

8. Newrow Smart
Kaltura owned Newrow Smart is purpose-built for teaching online – virtual classroom software solution where you can create online courses and engage your participants in virtual classes and webinar all through a completely branded portal. Virtual classes are 100% web-based – no Flash, no downloads, no installations – with collaborative tools like a digital whiteboard, content management system to share presentations and videos, screen sharing, cloud recording, breakout rooms, real-time notes, live quizzes and more. Newrow supports learning tools interoperability specifications and easily integrates into all major learning management systems. The basic plan "Meeting 15" allows for 15 participants per class and is priced at $39.00 per month or $384.00 per year. **https://www.newrow.com/**

9. Vedamo
Vedamo is a virtual classroom platform and learning management system that is built for online tutoring. The virtual classroom is browser-based and does not require any download to join. You can even play around with a demo virtual classroom without creating an account. Collaborative tools include an online whiteboard, breakout rooms, screen sharing, and media sharing. Vedamo also integrated into Canvas, Google for Education, Moodle, and Schoology learning management systems. Vedamo's "Virtual Classroom" plan features unlimited sessions for up to 25 students, 5GB of cloud storage and interactive archives for $25.00 per month with a free trial. **https://www.vedamo.com/**

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