

Software

Headline: AppleWorks is dying. Apple discontinued this software and has not made a new version since 2003. Pages, Keynote, and Numbers are Apple's replacements for AppleWorks. We have a site license for them, and they will open your old AppleWorks documents.

For Everyone -- We have a site license.

Pages

A word processing and desktop publishing program. There are many easy-to-use templates. This document was created with one of the templates.

Keynote

Apple's version of PowerPoint. It's easy to use and has many great templates.

Numbers

Apple's spreadsheet program. It makes great-looking charts and graphs, and there are lots of helpful templates.

Microsoft Office 2001

Word, Excel, and Keynote. The district is not planning on purchasing a license for newer versions. Pages, Keynote, and Numbers will open Office documents and export back out to them.

Adobe Creative Suite 3

Photoshop (photo editing)
Dreamweaver (web pages)
Contribute (easier web pages)
Fireworks (web graphics)

iWeb

Apple's web page creation program. It is very easy to use, and has great templates.

What should I use for create a classroom web page?

Recommendation for most people: iWeb -- It is easy to learn and has useful templates for creating websites.

For Power Users: Dreamweaver -- Dreamweaver is useful for making professional-looking webpages with pull-down menus and other advanced features. However, it is very complex and takes a lot of time to learn.

What about Contribute?

Before iWeb was a decent option, Contribute was the simpler alternative to Dreamweaver. Teachers that are using it, know it, and like it are free to keep using it. However, if you are going to start a web site for the first time, iWeb is much easier to learn.