Facebook

1. Social Media in Education: The Power of Facebook

<http://www.edutopia.org/social-media-education-examples-facebook>

Brief Annotation:

This article tells of a couple of different idea for using Facebook in a classroom. One idea is to use Facebook to advocate for certain educational objectives. Another idea is to write letters to political leaders (around the world, if you can) to question them about policies and get their ideas on education.

1. Business: Educational Uses of Facebook.

<http://www.ecademy.com/node.php?id=98854>

Brief Annotation:

This is actually a reposting of an article originally written by George Siemens on the elearnspace. George & Danah Boyd actually argues AGAINST having Facebook involved in the classroom. This entire article seems to agree with this point.

1. The Future of Education: Teachers to use Facebook, Twitter & YouTube to Teach

<http://www.techxav.com/2009/06/15/the-future-of-education-teachers-to-use-facebook-twitter-youtube-to-teach/>

Brief Annotation:

The author of the TechXav article argues that teachers should be using Facebook, Twitter & YouTube to teach students. These websites are good for using to communicate with students and parents.

Ning

1. Ning Changes and the Impact on Educational Communities

<http://www.stevehargadon.com/2010/04/ning-changes-and-impact-on-educational.html>

Brief Annotation:

Steve Hargadon tells about some of the changes that Ning had made in April. Apparently, Ning was going to start charging teachers to use the Ning network. This article says that Ning has the ability to create your own social networking, similar to Facebook.

Social Bookmarking

1. Sites to see: Social Bookmarking

<http://www.educationworld.com/a_tech/sites/sites080.shtml>

Brief Annotation:

This is a great tool to use for an introduction to Social Bookmarking. It also has a listing of websites where you can go and start social bookmarking with classes. One of the links that is given is the article that was assigned to us in class.

1. Frequently Answered Questions: Social Bookmarking in Education

<http://frequanq.blogspot.com/2005/02/social-bookmarking-in-education.html>

Brief Annotation:

This is yet another introductory site to Social Bookmarking. This one also gives a few different social bookmarking websites that are different than the previous article (FURL for example). This also gives professors some ways that they can take advantage of Social Bookmarking for their college classes.

1. Teaching Social Bookmarking with Diigo Education

<http://www.brighthub.com/education/k-12/articles/62228.aspx>

Brief Annotation:

This is a basic website that provides many uses for Social Bookmarking. This article is focused on a social bookmarking site called Diigo. It tells how to use Diigo with your classrooms. The author ([Jonathan Wylie](http://www.brighthub.com/members/jonathanwylie.aspx)) says that “There is a lot to like about Diigo, as its potential in the classroom is clear to see. There should be no debate about whether or not there should be social bookmarking in education. The opportunity to give your students the opportunity to learn in a safe, collaborative environment such as this, is something that all educators should consider.”