



# Galaxy

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Blogs



Wikis



Videos



Podcasts



Images



Documents



K12video



Moodle



Assets



MyTechDesk



Verizon Thinkfinity

## Free Tools for the 21st Century Classroom

### Powered by K12HSN

Across California - and the country for that matter - educators have gained a wide range of technological tools to assist in teaching and learning. One such tool, the Internet, has developed into a critical source of knowledge and information. In addition to being an information resource, it has also become a place to contribute and collaborate with the world. Tools such as blogs, wikis, podcasts and video hosting have emerged, making it easy for anyone to publish their personal thoughts, messages, and information to a global community. These tools are often known as Web 2.0 tools, and are redefining today's classroom.

The California K-12 High Speed Network (K12HSN) has developed a comprehensive set of tools to support teaching and learning in California classrooms. This suite of tools, known as *Galaxy*, is available to the California educational community at no cost and includes:



[www.calaxy.org](http://www.calaxy.org)



- Blogs
- Wikis
- Videos
- Photos
- Podcasts
- Documents
- Moodle (course management)
- MyTechDesk (ticket management)
- Assets (inventory management)
- Verizon Thinkfinity (educational resources)
- Videoconference scheduling

### Benefits of Galaxy:

- *Trusted community of California educators*
- *Social networking and messaging capability*
- *Search across applications*
- *Reliably hosted on the state network*
- *Built by educators for educators*
- *Free for California schools!*



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