Microsoft Sway

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Technology Training Resources can be found at http://www.davis.k12.ut.us/dsd/techtraining

Getting Started

- Log into the Sway website at https://sway.com/
- Click on Get started!
 - Type in the email address you want to use with Sway.
 - This should be your district email address.
 - Click the **Sign in with a work or school account.**
 - The next screen that opens will be the Office 365 screen.
 - Click Work or school account.
 - o Enter your Encore password.
 - o Click Sign in.
 - Note: Sway is currently in the process of being added to Office 365 as an app. Until that happens, login using the web address above.

Sign in

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Logging In

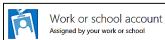
- Go to the Sway website: https://sway.com/
- Click on **Sign in** in the upper right hand corner.
- Use the email that was used when the account was set up.
 - Use your district email address
- Click Next.
- Click Sign in with a work or school account.
- Click Work or school account.
- Sign in to your Office 365 work account using your district email address and Encore password.
- Click Sign in.

Tutorial Videos

- Sway has recently added five video tutorials that can be accessed from the Sway home page.
- Click on **Tutorial videos** in the upper right hand corner to view the videos.

Get started!

Sign in with a work or school account







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Creating a New Sway

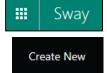
- To begin a new Sway
 - o Click on the word **Sway** in the upper left hand corner of the window.



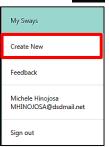
Click + Create New.



- Or, to begin a new Sway
 - o Click on the word **Sway** in the upper left hand corner of the window.
 - Click on **Create New** in the upper right corner of the window.



- Or, to begin a new Sway
 - o Click on the **three dots (...)** located in the upper right hand corner of the window.
 - Click Create New.



Create & Organize Area/Storyline

- After clicking Create New, the Create & Organize area opens.
- This is the canvas where the Sway will be built.
- It begins with a Title Card at the top. To add a title, click where it says Title your Sway, then begin typing.



- A background image may be added in the background placeholder. On the *Title Card*, the background image will cover the entire page.
- As cards are added, this area is now known as the Storyline.

Adding Content

- Content is added as Cards to the Storyline.
- To add cards, tap on the green diamond shape with the white plus sign below the *Title Card* or any card that is added to the *Storyline*.



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• The following card options become available:



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Text

- Text will add a card that can have text added to it.
- The Text card has six options available that can be added to the card:
 - Heading will add
 larger text that will
 act as a heading. A background image can also be added.
 - o **Emphasize** will bold the text.
 - Accent will italicize the text.
 - Bullets will add bullets for a bulleted list.
 - Numbers will add a numbered list.
 - Link will allow some or all of the text to become a web link.
 - o To delete the card, click on the **trash can** in the upper right hand corner.

Add some text

Heading

 Heading will add a card with larger text that will act as a heading. A background image can also be added.



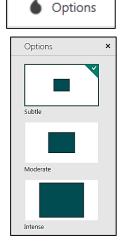
- o **Emphasize** will bold the text.
 - The color of the text may also be changed.
- o **Accent** will italicize the text.
- o **Link** will allow the heading to become a web link.
- o To delete the card, click on the **trash can** in the upper right hand corner.

Picture

- **Picture** will add a picture card.
 - A caption may be added which will usually appear below the picture.



- o There are also three size options for the added picture.
- Click on **Options** at the top of the card.
- These options include:
 - Subtle small
 - Moderate medium
 - Intense large



 Click on Focus Point to determine how much of the image you want visible for the viewer. More information can be found on page 7.



o To delete the card, click on the **trash can** in the upper right hand corner.

Upload

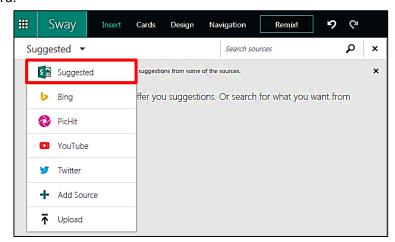
- **Upload** will let you browse out to a file on your computer and bring it into Sway.
 - o Some of the types of files that can be uploaded through this option are:
 - .jpeg; .jpg; .png; .gif; .bmp; .docx; .pptx; .doc; .pdf; .ppt; .xlsx
 - Note: If the uploaded file contains more than one page, each page will be added to individual cards.
 - o To delete the card, click on the **trash can** in the upper right hand corner.
 - Note: If multiple pages have been uploaded, each individual page will need to be deleted.

Main Menu

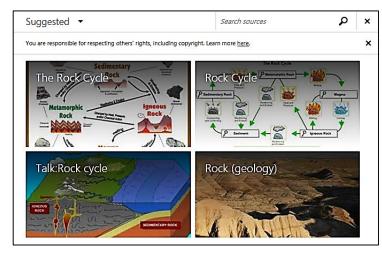


Insert

- Insert allows you to add content and Sway will offer suggestions for the picture or background, YouTube video, Tweet from Twitter, or something that is uploaded from your computer based on the added content on the card.
- Or, put in some keywords in the Search sources box and search from multiple sources.
 - Click on any of the suggested sources to see what's available.

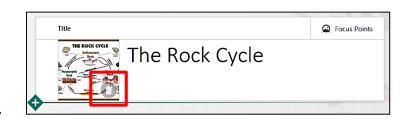


- When the suggested options are shown, click on any of the options to view even more options.
 - When the desired content is located, click and drag it to the placeholder on the card.

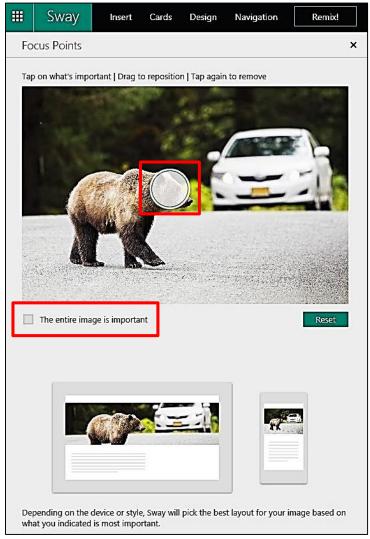


Editing an inserted image

- Click on the image.
- The image can be deleted by clicking on the Trash Can that appears on the image.
- To determine the Focus Points,
 click on

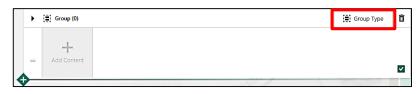


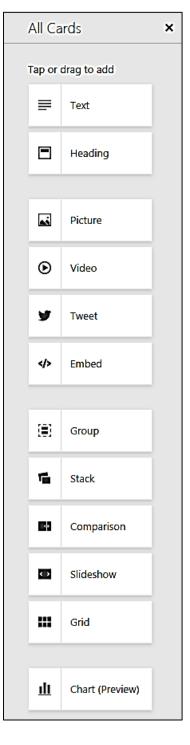
- When the Focus Points pane opens, click on what's important in the image! Focus Points can be
 moved around by dragging them, or remove them by clicking them again. And at the bottom of
 the pane, a preview can be seen of how the resulting crop could look on tablet/PC screens and
 mobile screens.
- If image cropping is not desired at all, just select **The entire image is important** checkbox. This will keep the important things from being lost, like text in the image or your company's logo.



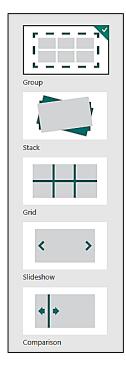
Cards

- Cards are the building blocks of a Sway. Each card can contain a single item or a collection of items.
 - O Click or drag the desired card to the Storyline to work on it.
- Text will add a card that can have text added to it.
- Heading will add a card with larger text that will act as a heading. A background image can also be added.
- **Picture** will add a picture card.
- Video will upload a video into the Sway.
 - o A caption may be added.
 - o Size options are also available.
- Tweet will add a Tweet from your current Twitter account.
- Embed allows the creator to embed charts, maps, audio, video, and more.
 - Type or paste the embed code of the content you want to add.
 - Note If you paste a URL (Web address) as your embed code, it must contain the secure prefix https:// instead of http:// or the content will not be embedded.
 - Sway currently supports embedding content from the following sites:
 - Flickr
 - Giphy
 - Google Maps
 - Infogram
 - Mixcloud
 - Office Mix
 - OneDrive (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and PDF documents)
 - Sketchfab
 - SoundCloud
 - Swav
 - Vimeo
 - Vine
 - YouTube
- **Group** allows the creator to group pictures in different formats.
 - To access these, click on the **Group Card** to place it in the *Create & Organize* area.
 - Click on **Group Type** in the upper right of the card.

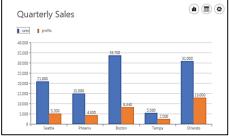




- o Choose from one of the available options:
 - Group
 - Stack
 - Grid
 - Slideshow
 - Comparison
- o These group options are also available as individual cards in the *Cards* list.



- **Chart (Preview)** This card allows you to insert an interactive chart to make it easier to spot patterns and trends in your data.
 - The following options are available:
 - Chart Type
 - DataSettings
 - A green arrow moves you through the various screens.
 - o **Note:** At this time, this option is in preview mode.





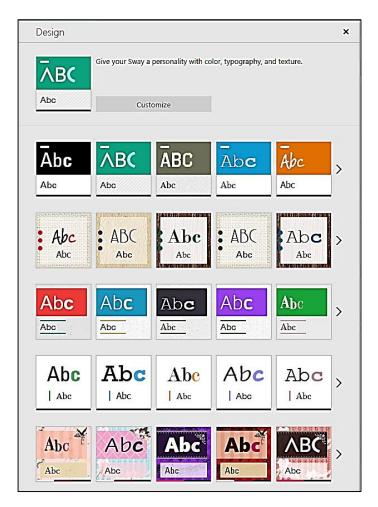
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• To delete any of the cards, click on the **Trash Can** in the upper right hand corner of the card. If the **Trash Can** is not showing, click on the card first.



Design

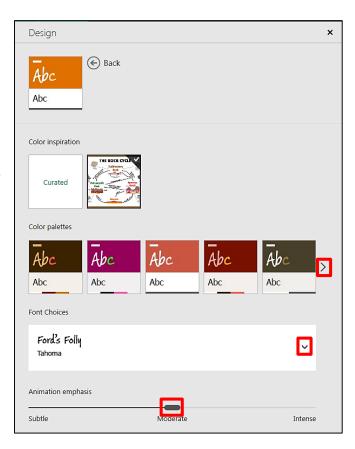
- The *Design* allows you to give your Sway a personality with color, typography, and texture.
- The *Design* option is found on the *Main Menu*.



- There are five main design groups.
- Each group may contain numerous:
 - Colored backgrounds
 - Textured backgrounds
 - Graphics
 - Font types
 - Font colors
- Arrows are available on either side of a design row to move back and forth through the design.
- To choose a design, click on it.
- The design is now shown at the top of the Design window.
- The chosen design can now be **Customized.**

Color inspiration

- Curated is the design currently chosen.
 - Color palettes, Font
 Choices and Animation
 Emphasis are based on that design choice.
- If you have chosen a background image for your Title Page, the design can be based on that.
 - Color palettes, Font Choices and Animation Emphasis are based on that image.
- The Color palettes, Font choices, and Animation emphasis can further be changed based on your Color inspiration by clicking on the arrows to the left or scrolling.

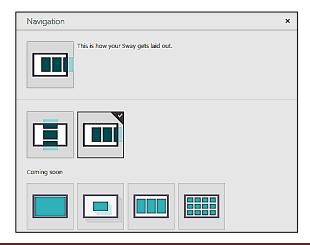


Navigation

- Navigation determines the direction your Sway moves.
 - Vertically The scroll bar to the right allows the viewer to move through the Sway.
 - Horizontally Arrows are available in the lower right hand corner to move the viewer through the Sway. There is also an arrow to return the viewer to the beginning of the presentation.



• At this time, those are the only options available. However, more choices are coming soon.



Remix

- Remix is a unique option in Sway. It allows the creator to create the Sway and then let the
 program determine the final layout of the presentation. If you don't have a specific sequence in
 mind, this can be an interesting experience.
- The only disadvantage to **Remix** is that once it is done, it can't be undone. It can be **Remixed**, but can't be returned to its original form.
- **Note:** If this is an option that you may want to try but are a bit hesitant, a suggestion is to duplicate the original Sway.
 - o To duplicate a Sway, open the Sway.
 - Click on the 3 dots (...) at the upper right corner of the window.
 - Click Duplicate this Sway.
 - You can rename it first. (A good suggestion)
 - Click Duplicate.
 - If an error message pops up, it may just move on and tell you that the copy was successfully created.
 - Click Go to My Sways or Edit it now.



Preview

Click on Preview in the upper right area of the window.



 Hover in the upper right corner of the window to see more options.



o Click on the **Pencil** icon to return to the *Create & Organize* editing area.



- Click on the Link icon to get a link that anyone with the URL will be able to view this Sway.
- Click on the **Embed** icon to get an embed code to embed this Sway.
- Click on the 3 dots (...) to access more options.



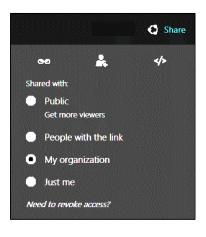
Share

- Sways can be shared in a variety of ways.
- To share your Sway, click on **Share** in the upper right area of the window.

Shared by Link

Anyone with this URL will be able to view this Sway.

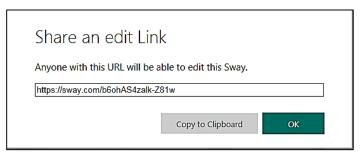




Share an edit Link

Anyone with this URL will be able to edit this Sway.





This option allows collaboration with other teachers, students, administrators, etc.

Embed this Sway

Use this embed code to embed this Sway.

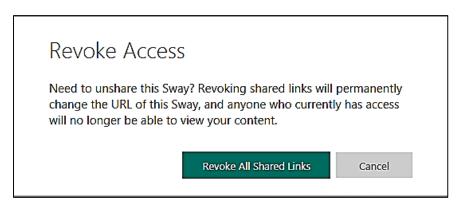




Choose Who to Share the Sway With

- You can share your Sway with:
 - Public
 - The Sway can be found by anyone performing a Web search.
 - o People with the link
 - Only people who are provided a link to the Sway can view it.
 - o My organization
 - This will be available when Sway has been moved to the district Office 365 account.
 - Just me
 - The Sway can be viewed only by people who have the creator's log-in information.

Revoking Access to a Sway



Deleting a Sway

- To delete a Sway, navigate to the My Sways page.
- Locate the 3 dots in the upper right hand corner of the Sway to be deleted.
- Click on the 3 dots.
- Click on the Trash Can.







