

# ISTE Seal Review Findings Report

**Toddle** 

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# **ABOUT**

### **ABOUT ISTE**

The International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) is home to a community of global educators and solution providers who are passionate about using technology to revolutionize learning. Our vision is to create a bold community where education innovators are supported in reimagining and redesigning learning with a focus on using technology to create transformational and equitable experiences for learners. We're making this vision a reality by delivering practical guidance, evidence-based professional learning, virtual networks, thought-provoking events and the ISTE Standards.

### **ISTE SEAL**

The ISTE Seal serves as a mark of high-quality product design for solutions that enable and guide high-quality learning. By choosing to demonstrate their commitment to supporting best practices for teaching and learning, these products show a purposeful and meaningful dedication to practical usability, digital pedagogical implementation, and the ISTE Standards. With a focus on user experience, product usability, and the most essential elements of instructional technology today, the ISTE Seal provides a set of criteria and simple indicators to guide educators, students, and technology directors toward the very best products on the market.

ISTE awards a seal only after an extensive analysis conducted by trained ISTE reviewers that ensures a product meets all critical elements under specific review criteria.

By earning an ISTE Seal, ISTE verifies that this product:

- Promotes critical technology skills.
- Supports the use of technology in appropriate ways.
- Incorporates digital pedagogy and the learning sciences.
- Addresses key elements of tech usability, user experience and user interface.
- Aligns to ISTE Standards in specific ways.



# RESOURCE DESCRIPTION

# WHAT IS Toddle?

Toddle is an all-in-one teaching & learning platform for independent schools. Toddle empowers teaching teams to work together and better for curriculum planning, student portfolios, assessments, reports, family communication, and streamlined accreditation - all from one intuitive interface. Enhanced by artificial intelligence capabilities, Toddle provides support for educators seeking to optimize their instructional practices and improve student outcomes through integrated digital tools and automated features that reduce administrative burden.

### **HOW IS Toddle IMPLEMENTED?**

The platform serves independent and international schools by providing a unified digital environment for PreK-12 education. Implementation begins with teachers creating customized activities and assessments using either the built-in library of units or Al-powered content generation tools. Educators can differentiate instruction by adapting materials to meet the diverse needs and learning styles of students. The platform enables collaboration through shared unit planning, real-time feedback systems, and integrated communication tools that connect teachers, students, and families. Assessment capabilities include multiple formats for student submissions, gradebooks for progress monitoring, and data analytics dashboards.



# **ISTE SEAL REVIEW**

Product: Toddle App
Product Type: Platform
Organization: Toddle

Date of Award: September 2025

### **REVIEW METHODOLOGY**

ISTE Seal reviews are conducted by a distinguished panel of experts in education, instruction, and technology. These experts utilize the most up-to-date data provided by the organization to conduct thorough evaluations of each solution. The evaluations focus on assessing the solution's performance in addressing specific elements outlined in the technical and pedagogical usability framework and the ISTE Standards.

To complete their rigorous evaluations, the reviewers utilize a comprehensive rating system, categorizing each solution as either "meets expectations" or "does not meet expectations." This assessment covers both the required and optional "Look Fors" outlined in the application. To ensure the validity and reliability of their results, the reviewers regularly engage in calibrations. Final review findings are then analyzed and combined, providing an overall score for alignment with each indicator.

At ISTE, we take great pride in our unwavering commitment to delivering results that schools and districts can have full confidence in. To be deemed education-ready learning solutions, products must meet the high standards in learning sciences, user experience and interface, accessibility, and content quality.

#### **SCOPE OF REVIEW**

Toddle was reviewed against the technical, pedagogical usability framework and the ISTE Standards to determine whether **the solution is education-ready**. ISTE reviewers examined all evidence provided by the organization and interacted directly with the product.



# **REVIEW FINDINGS**

ISTE Standards provide the competencies for learning, teaching, and leading in the digital age, providing a comprehensive roadmap for the effective use of technology in schools worldwide. Grounded in learning science research and based on practitioner experience, the ISTE Standards ensure that using technology for learning can create high-impact, sustainable, scalable, and equitable learning experiences for all learners.

## **Empowered Learner 1.1.c**

Students use technology to seek feedback that informs and improves their practice and to demonstrate their learning in a variety of ways.

## Digital Citizen 1.2.d

Students take action to protect their digital privacy on devices and manage their personal data and security while online.

#### **Creative Communicator 1.6.a**

Students choose the appropriate platforms and digital tools for meeting the desired objectives of their creation or communication.

### Global Collaborator 1.7.a

Students use digital tools to connect with peers from a variety of backgrounds, recognizing diverse viewpoints and broadening mutual understanding.

FEEDBACK	OUTCOME
Students receive detailed feedback in the form of rubrics, checklists, and teacher feedback to improve their practice.	
<ul> <li>The platform offers instruction in Digital Privacy, allows students to link or withhold their personal email, and review their personal information to manage what is shared.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Portfolio functionality empowers learners to curate and share their work with teachers and peers across various media formats.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Messaging capabilities facilitate peer engagement and perspective-sharing that broadens cultural understanding, and</li> </ul>	



discussion features, when activated by educators, create opportunities for work sharing and peer feedback.

# DIMENSION 1: USER INTERFACE AND AGENCY

Definition: The design of the product interface and user experience helps teachers quickly and reliably achieve instructional goals. This dimension includes features related to interface design, learnability, navigation, maximizing time on task, control over actions, and general usability.

FEEDBACK	OUTCOME
Consistent navigation menu placement on the left sidebar enhances usability and includes familiar terminology that aligns with educator expectations.	
<ul> <li>The top of each page contains the most essential elements, and interactive buttons are appropriately sized and consistent throughout teacher and student pages.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>A prominent search functionality delivers reliable results while comprehensive filtering options in the content library support efficient browsing and content discovery.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Users can customize their dashboard by showing or hiding widgets, toggling between compact and spacious views, and viewing content in a calendar format or through the assignment manager.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Clear privacy documentation outlines data storage and usage policies through dedicated pages, featuring multiple compliance certifications.</li> </ul>	

# **DIMENSION 2: LEARNING DESIGN**

Definition: The product has features that exhibit and promote design and customization of learning episodes in ways that align with research-based best practices, including those rooted in the learning sciences.



FEEDBACK	OUTCOME
The platform's planning insights show explicit connections between standards, content, and activities at both the subject and unit levels.	
<ul> <li>Milestone tracking and progress monitoring prompt students to reflect on their learning process and monitor advancement toward their goals, supporting ongoing self-assessment and self-directed learning.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Teachers can import activities from one unit plan into another, create custom modules within each unit, and add new content in multiple formats (e.g., video, audio, or imported resources), thereby supporting flexibility and allowing for a mix-and-match approach.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Comprehensive customization options allow educators to tailor materials to meet diverse learning needs and various pedagogical approaches.</li> </ul>	

# **DIMENSION 3: DIGITAL PEDAGOGY**

Definition: The product is designed to support the development of digital age learning skills, capacities and knowledge. This dimension focuses on how technology can help students and teachers experience the best possible learning experiences, including the social and learning affordances that digital educational products uniquely offer.

FEEDBACK	OUTCOME
<ul> <li>Teachers can provide feedback directly while evaluating assignments through live chat, text, audio messages, or file uploads, and students can respond within the same space.</li> <li>Students can give peer feedback by commenting on posts in the portfolio module, and teachers can easily invite collaborators when creating a unit, making it straightforward to share and co-develop content.</li> </ul>	



- Digital citizenship content includes units related to digital identity, intellectual property, data privacy, and cyberbullying.
- Privacy controls and sharing options offer educator oversight, while administrative message flagging ensures a safe digital learning environment.

### **DIMENSION 4: INCLUSIVITY**

Definition: The product helps teachers provide learning experiences that are relevant to students of many cultures, backgrounds, and abilities, and support learner motivation and agency in the learning process. The product meets current guidelines around accessibility, and supports a positive classroom culture.

FEEDBACK	OUTCOME
Diverse career exploration units within the library showcase varied gender representations, nationalities, and cultural identities across learning experiences.	
<ul> <li>Accessibility features include video playback speed control and button color contrast that clearly distinguishes important functions.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>The content library includes narratives that reflect the perspectives of marginalized and oppressed people and contains explicit discussion and reflection activities that highlight the importance of social context and power dynamics.</li> </ul>	

# **DIMENSION 5: ASSESSMENT AND DATA**

Definition: The product uses formative assessments – learning experiences that help make visible what students know and don't yet know – to generate data that inform teachers about student knowledge and skill gaps, and provide students assessment feedback that is specific, actionable, and constructive. As such, it guides teachers' instructional decisions and students' learning journeys.

FEEDBACK	OUTCOME



- Educators can embed formative assessments throughout learning episodes, with the option to create them manually or with support from the platform's AI.
- Varied assessment formats include text response, multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank, graphics, drawing, matching, drag-and-drop, multimedia responses, and interactive elements.
- Intuitive submission processes for students offer multiple format options with clear progress tracking through "To-do/Done" toggles.
- The gradebook section enables teachers to quickly assess students' learning by class or individually, with easy-to-interpret results.
- The student engagement dashboard is clear and informative, providing data on login activity, assignment submissions, and attendance trends.





# CONCLUSION

Toddle is an all-in-one teaching and learning platform designed to help educators streamline their workflow and enhance classroom learning. With Toddle, teachers can easily create activities and assessments, evaluate student progress, and access powerful Al-driven support to save time and reduce workload. Educators can explore a vast library of PreK–12 units or use Toddle Al to generate lesson plans, student worksheets, and even report card comments. All resources are fully customizable, allowing teachers to differentiate and personalize activities to meet the unique abilities and needs of their students.

When students use the Toddle platform, they can easily view and submit assignments in a variety of formats, including photos, videos, written responses, or uploaded files. The Toddle Gradebook enables teachers to view student work, monitor progress, analyze data, and provide personalized feedback to students. Feedback can be shared through rubrics, written comments, or even live chat, allowing teachers to offer targeted recommendations and address knowledge gaps in real time. Feedback is instantly accessible to students, ensuring timely guidance and support. Additionally, Toddle's student engagement dashboard provides educators with valuable data to inform instruction and improve learning outcomes, all essential features that support teachers in their everyday workflow.

The platform's commitment to digital citizenship education, combined with robust privacy controls and safety features, creates a secure learning environment that prepares learners for responsible technology use. Global collaboration features particularly benefit international school communities by facilitating cross-cultural connections and perspective-sharing among diverse student populations. Through its integration of pedagogical best practices and inclusive content representation, this solution successfully supports transformational learning experiences that align with educational standards and prepare learners for success in an increasingly connected world.