What is PollEverywhere?

Want a new idea for course review? Use PollEverywhere! PollEverywhere is an interactive tool that lets you engage your class anywhere in real time by using polls.

How does PollEverywhere work?

Go to PollEverywhere.com and sign up. Once you have registered, you are ready to make polls.

1. Start by asking your question:

2. Design your answer: you can do this with multiple choice options, true or false, short answer, or clicking on uploaded images. After you have chosen how you’d like the question answered, continue to add as many questions as you’d like.
3. Start your poll: after you’ve created your poll, PollEverywhere will give your students a login to find your poll, for example, mine is PollEv.com/sharonbratru550. Once they are logged in, they can answer using their computers, their tablets, or their phones. Answers are anonymous.

Why do I use this tool?

This is a great way to engage your students without them feeling embarrassed if they get the answer wrong. Because answers are anonymous, more students are apt to try to answer the question. You can give immediate feedback to the entire class. This is a great way to review for quizzes and tests. I have also used this tool for anonymous voting. Nobody, not even the person presenting the poll, knows how you answered.

You can create as many polls as you’d like with up to 40 answers per poll for free! This is great for most of our class sizes at VCSU. Once you go over 40 answers per poll, you will have to pay a fee. You can also incorporate your poll into PowerPoint presentations.

Please click on the link below for a tutorial. https://vimeo.com/37674303

Why should you try this tool?

From my experience, students really enjoy when I have built a PollEverywhere into the lecture. It breaks up the monotony of daily lectures, and because it’s anonymous, my students feel very comfortable answering the questions. Try it once, and I know you’ll keep using it.