

Google have an announcement...

For the past 5 years, the Google for Education team has been proud to enable immersive VR and AR learning experiences for millions of students around the world with Google Expeditions and Tour Creator. Through these products, educators took students on new adventures to experience faraway places, travel back in time or learn about cultures unlike their own.

The Google for Education team also learned a lot about immersive content from students and teachers - particularly about the content they love most both in and out of the classroom.

To make sure the most popular Expeditions VR tours are readily available for everyone, they're migrating to the Google Arts and Culture platform. With this content migration to the Google Arts and Culture site and application, both Google Expeditions and Tour Creator will be wound down. The Expeditions app will stop working and Tour Creator will no longer be available as of June 30 2021. You can read [Google's blog*](https://www.blog.google/outreach-initiatives/expanding-googleartsandculture-with-expeditions) and the Expeditions [Help Centre**](https://www.support.google.com/edu/expeditions/answer/10086878) for more information.

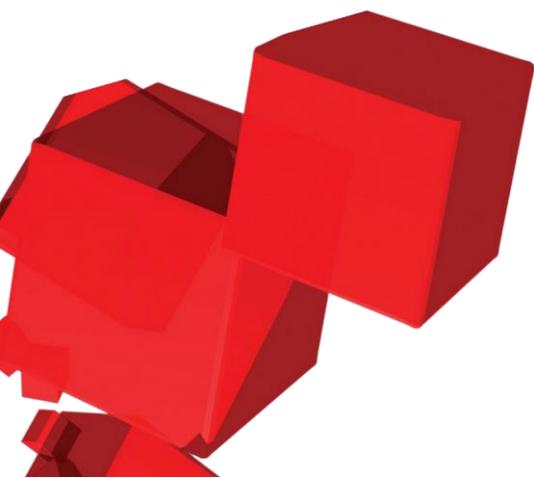
What does this mean for you and RedboxVR Products?



[*https://www.blog.google/outreach-initiatives/expanding-googleartsandculture-with-expeditions](https://www.blog.google/outreach-initiatives/expanding-googleartsandculture-with-expeditions)

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Until June 30 2021, educators and students will still be able to use Google Expeditions and Tour Creator. Many Expeditions tours will be migrated to the Google Arts and Culture platform where you can continue to leverage them for exploration using VR.

Any tours you created will be available at poly.google.com/creator/tours* until June 30 2021.

In the coming months, we will provide you with instructions for how you can export the assets from published tours. After June 30, poly.google.com/creator/tours will no longer be accessible and you will not be able to create any new tours.

Finally, if you have questions about your hardware kit, please work with our team at RedboxVR to address your questions directly. We are your best point of contact. We have been so grateful for your partnership with Expeditions and Tour Creator and look forward to continuing to empower educators and students to bring their lessons to life with new tools and features.

RedboxVR are working hard behind the scenes to develop our own Classroom VR & AR software that does everything the Expeditions app does plus some great new features such as the ability to control 360° Video and cross-platform usability. As this software becomes available we will roll it out to all of our existing users and make it available as part of our package. The ability to create your own content using both Video and still 360 images will also be included, as well as a library of ready to go content.

Still unsure what this means? We have some FAQ's that will help...



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FAQ's

Will I be able to export my tours to Tour Creator?

Yes, you will be able to export your published tours on Tour Creator. In the coming months, we will provide you with instructions for how you can export the assets from published tours. For more information, please visit the Tour Creator Help Centre.

How long will the Expeditions app be available for download?

Google will migrate many of the Expeditions VR tours to Google Arts & Culture's free site and application so they are available to everyone. As Arts & Culture expands, the Google Expeditions app will no longer be available for download and Tour Creator will no longer be accessible effective June 30, 2021.

Can I continue to use Expeditions and Tour Creator until June 30, 2021?

Yes, you can continue to use Expeditions and Tour creator until June 30, 2021. After this date, you won't be able to:

- Download and use the Google Expeditions app.
- Access Tour Creator.
- Create new tours or download any of your published tours.

If I've downloaded the app prior to June 30th, will the app still work?

No, the Expeditions app will no longer work after June 30, 2021. You can download the Google Arts & Culture's app with your school hardware or personal mobile device to view a tour. You won't have access to guided tours through Expedition, but you can participate in single player tours.

What does this mean with my existing RedboxVR Classroom Kit?

RedboxVR strive to provide a versatile, immersive classroom experience. RedboxVR are already working behind the scenes to ensure your kits are not affected by this. You still have until June 30, 2021 to enjoy all the wonders of Google Expeditions. We will be introducing you to new software over the next coming months - stay tuned!

I want to purchase a kit from RedboxVR, how will they now be set up since this announcement?

Google Expeditions will still be used on your RedboxVR Classroom Kit, and you will be able to use it until June 30, 2021. As well as the array of other learning apps available - you are not limited! Our kits are versatile, meaning they can grow, as technology around us also grows. We will be providing you with the learning tools you need to provide a high quality, immersive learning experience.

Will I still have access to a fully functional Classroom VR & AR kit?

Yes. Your RedboxVR Classroom Kit will still be fully functional and allow you to continue to provide excellent curriculum based VR learning to your students. Not only will you be able to use our new Classroom Software, you will have access to a wide library of additional apps and content solutions such as MEL Science and Google Arts and Culture etc.

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