mail services comparison

	Feature set	cost	In the cloud	Web interface	pros	cons
Exchange Server in Office	All features of Outlook shared within your office. Great sync with iphone. Some benefits for administrators as all mail data is centralized	High cost of entry because you have to buy a server $1000-$5000. No ongoing cost but network administration cost	no	Outlook Web – very good	Part of a structured office network, no monthly charge. You own it.	High start-up cost. Could break down and you own it
Traditional web and mail hosting	Basic mail service, web mail, pop or imap	Depending on features usually between $240 - $2000 annualy	Yes but in web 1.0 fashion	horde	Relatively low cost. Basic mail service, includes web hosting	Old school, limited collaboration tools
Google Apps	Mail server, contacts and calendar with outlook as a front end Shared calendaring – sync with smartphones	50$ per user annually. Also free service available.	yes	Gmail	Its Google. Probably will get much better in the future.	Limited feature set, but probably adequate, no tasks or journal
Hosted Exchange	Same features of exchange.	Up to 15$ per user per month Comcast Business 2.99 per user per month	yes	Outlook Web – very good	All the coolness of exchange without a server to manage	Limited space, high monthly cost