



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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EACS Technology Newsletter October 1, 2021

1. **For teachers in grades K-12:** District Expectations for the use of Canvas in the first quarter of the school year are to build the class(es), add students, and begin posting weekly lesson plans/newsletters. Teachers should learn to utilize the eLearning module process for the virtual classes. The module process is more efficient for students, parents, and teachers; please talk with your Tech Coach if you don't yet know how to utilize the eLearning module in Canvas.



2. **For all teachers who use Seesaw, or are curious about Seesaw:** [This link](#) jumps users directly to Seesaw's Training for Teachers page, with upcoming Live events, which are also recorded, and on-demand Seesaw playlists, all created by Seesaw trainers, covering such topics as Quick Start Seesaw for Schools for Teachers, Getting Organized with Folders, Advanced Activity Templates, Skills and Progress View, and many others. Questions about Seesaw? Please contact your Tech Coach.



3. **For all new teachers, or teachers who want to brush up on Canvas:** [Here is a free](#), Canvas Basics course, created by Canvas, just for you. The course is self-paced and not facilitated, but is structured in such a way that you must complete the modules and content in the order presented. Each of the four modules will contain formative assessments that help you gauge your retention of the information presented. A summative assessment is provided at the end of the entire course. An 80% competency is required to **earn a digital badge issued by Instructure through Badgr**. If you complete the course, please contact **Mackenna Moore**, and you will also receive 3 PGPs from the Technology Department.



4. **For all teachers and administrators:** [InstructureCon](#) is coming up next month. [InstructureCon](#) is a free, world-wide Canvas conference focused on professional learning for every level of Canvas learning and for every type of education, from teacher to administrator. Keynote speakers, educator-led breakout sessions, roundtable-discussion, product news, and networking, all in a fun, interactive, online environment. Interested? [Register here](#).



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Fun technology fact: Ever used Google Earth timelapse? The timelapse tool is a great way to visually demonstrate to students how things change over time. Want to argue for societal changes due to global warming. [Click here to see how the Columbia Glacier in Alaska has shrunk](#) over the last 37 years. Want to see changes to the Las Vegas area, and how the nearby Lake Mead has shrunk since 1984? Scroll down 6 more. (They built a city in a desert and wonder where their water will come from...) It is a very interesting and informative tool. Browse all the Timelapse sessions down the left hand side.

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