



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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# EACS Technology Newsletter September 17, 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 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.](#)



## INSTRUCTURECON

3. **For All Staff:** Next week and again in mid-October, Apple is offering free professional development on a wide range of topics. Join Apple Education for their virtual Instructional Summit to learn more about using iPad in powerful ways that can help accelerate learning for every student. You'll collaborate with peers on practical ideas for making the most of Apple products in your teaching. You'll look at exciting ways to transform instruction and deepen student engagement, and you'll also have the opportunity each day to choose a relevant exploratory session that inspires you. Apple looks forward to hosting you at this engaging summit. [Click here for more details](#) and to register for these free events. **Note:** this is a mixture of iPad and Mac-focused PD, so choose iPad.



4. **For all Staff:** Coolest Tech Tip (according to this teacher)! [This teacher on Bored Teachers](#) points out a wonderful Tech Tip that will save you time. This is a short (58 seconds) Tik Toc video showing how to create a Daily Teacher Use folder in your bookmark tabs, and place all often-used tabs in that folder. Then, the next morning after your computer boots up, you can open your 5, 10, or 15 tabs in one click. A great time saver! A special thanks goes out to **Allie Felger** on this one.



**Fun technology fact:** MIT researcher Yoel Fink and his colleagues have created the first fabric-fiber to have digital capabilities, ready to collect, store and analyze data using a neural network. Fink, a professor of material sciences and electrical engineering, and an MIT Research Laboratory of Electronics principal investigator. As the senior author on the study, Fink described the features of the digital fiber in the June 3 issue of *Nature Communications*. Fink says digital fibers expand the possibilities for fabrics to uncover the context of hidden patterns in the human body that could be used for physical performance monitoring, medical inference, and early disease detection. Fascinating... [Read more of the article here.](#)

