



EAST ALLEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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# EACS Technology Newsletter September 24, 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 high school teachers:** Straight from the IDOE, and *sorry for the short notice*: The IDOE is offering the Innovation Teacher Leaders Cohort Group, and the application is open through Friday, September 24. The application is for up to 45 Indiana high school teachers to participate in the inaugural Innovation Teacher Leaders Cohort! IDOE's partnership with the StartedUpFoundation (SEUF) aims to build the capacity of innovative high school teacher leaders and enhance opportunities for high school students with the goal of creating an ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship throughout Indiana. For more information and to apply, click [here](#). Questions can be directed to [Rebecca Estes](#).



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](#).



## INSTRUCTURECON

**Fun technology fact:** Outside of Nikola Tesla, for years, over-the-air wireless charging was a dream. Who doesn't want to charge their phone without plugging it in? Motorola is the latest smartphone manufacturer to [showcase its over-the-air wireless charging technology](#). Its claim to fame is that it can juice several devices at a time, and it's capable of an impressive range of 10 feet. Motorola developed "Space Charging," in collaboration with GuRu Wireless, which announced its partnership with Motorola earlier this year. Literally, your device could charge while in your hand, your pocket, or anywhere within a 10' range of the Motorola charger.

