

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS NEWSLETTER

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UPDATES

NEW FEATURES

On February 20th LaTeX equations can be entered in any Canvas text field, and MathJax is loaded if Canvas detects an equation image added by delimited LaTeX characters. Visit [MathJax Equation Enhancements](#) for more information.

REMINDERS

First Fridays: This once-a-month event features instructor successes using technology in their course! **The fourth one is on Friday February 5th at 12pm featuring Dr. Janell Straach.** Edited recordings of these sessions are available on the [Digital Teaching and Learning Blog](#). Visit our [Training Center](#) to register.

Have an idea, issue, or success you want to share with LE or get help with? Coffee Hours are the place for you! The next one is February 12th. Join us any time from 12-2pm to discuss whatever is on your mind. Visit our [Training Center](#) for the Zoom link and the schedule.

TIPS AND TRICKS

CANVAS

A Canvas quiz should not be open more than one tab at once. If a student begins a quiz in one tab, but finishes it in another (without closing the first) their answers will not save correctly. Please let your students know, especially for longer quizzes or those without time limits, that they need to be careful to have the quiz open in only one place at a time.

ACCESSIBILITY

The Access @ Rice is hosting [12 Accessibility Workshops for February](#) on MWF at 10am. There are informational as well as hands-on sessions. Check the [Access @ Rice blog](#) to see the schedule and register.

KALTURA

Kaltura's training series on **Media & Pedagogy** focuses on the pedagogical underpinnings of how to make videos work for students. This series takes place every second Thursday at 1pm. [Register now!](#)

Kaltura can be used by students to record, upload, and share presentations or projects with audio or video. You can set up a discussion (or use Media Gallery) for everyone to see or an assignment for sharing only with the instructor.

ZOOM

Update your Zoom! Zoom has released **live automatic speech recognition (ASR) captions** for meetings and webinars! That means you no longer have to rely on workaround solutions like Google Slides or PowerPoint 365 as we previously recommended. For instructions on adding this feature, visit [Zoom Live Captions are Here!](#)

SUPPORT

- 24/7 for Canvas using Canvas Support (last button on Global Navigation Bar in Canvas)
- See the [Training Center](#) for Tech Tools workshops, coffee hours, or to sign up for one-on-one training
- Email teaching@rice.edu for general help