

LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS NEWSLETTER

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UPDATES

- **FIRST FRIDAY THIS WEEK!**
 - **On October 7th** Steve Gomez will be highlighting different frameworks, mindsets, and tools to accelerate student technical leadership within a digital world. The frameworks will cover learning theory, automation, technology, process, and people to help others with their course design. [Register now and join our discussion!](#)
 - See the [First Fridays Call for Presentations blog post](#) to submit your educational technology success story.
- **Faculty Survey:** Learning Environments consistently works to improve our programming for you, and your input is invaluable to that goal. With that in mind please fill out the [LE Faculty Survey 2022-2023](#).
- **USB-C connections** were added to registrar-booked classrooms over the summer. This new connection allows instructors to display content from their laptop, tablet, or mobile device AND provides power for charging through the same connection.

REMINDERS

[Update your Zoom!](#)

If you are having issues with Canvas, [make sure your browser is up to date](#).

TIPS AND TRICKS

CANVAS

The **Collaborations tool** in Canvas allows users to create Google Docs, Google Spreadsheets, and Google Presentations. [Visit the Google Collaborations in Canvas blog post](#) to learn more. Google Drive in Canvas allows instructors to create Google Doc assignments, pages, and more.

ACCESSIBILITY

[UDOIT Cloud is an educational tool for helping you improve your own accessibility design practices over time](#).

The tool helps identify and fix accessibility issues across your entire Canvas course. It scans your course and produces a report of all accessibility issues, explanations, learning resources, and tools for reviewing and fixing issues. For more information about accessible design in Canvas, see [Rice's Accessibility Course Guides](#).

KALTURA

Screen Sharing is coming soon from Kaltura Express Capture. This enhancement will allow you to screen share with Express Capture and send it directly to your Kaltura "My Media" in Canvas. Stay tuned for more information coming soon. Find more information at [Express Capture in the Kaltura Knowledge Center](#).

ZOOM

[Hosts can now pre-set breakout groups within Zoom in Canvas](#) using an uploaded CSV file.

SUPPORT

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