

1. **REMINDER: PROGRESS REPORT WINDOW OPENS ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2020 and CLOSES ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020 AT 11:59 P.M.**

2. Final Exam Week: Dec. 14-18 as follows:

A Days: Monday, Wednesday – Periods 1-4

B Days: Tuesday, Thursday- Periods 5-8

**C Day: Friday, half-day schedule, Periods 1-8 20 minutes each –
Check-in**

Exemptions for Semester Finals: 90% Grade average and 3 or fewer absences. Exempt students must still take CBA.

3. All core courses must take Common Benchmark Assessment for district data, but it is your choice whether you use Benchmark as your Final Exam. Use good judgment in this decision.

Students Exempt from a final exam: If you are using the CBA as the final exam in your class, then the CBA grades do NOT HAVE to be included in their grade, but students DO still need to take the test. English tests have a writing component, and the tests opened on Nov. 30th.

4. Frontline TEAMS Gradebook

5. FAFSA Completion Information:

Dec. 9th Senior Pull-outs for FAFSA Workshop from elective classes.

Dec. 18th Senior FAFSA Workshop for selected students. Mr. Ramirez will email the list.

Raffling off many Starbucks and IHOP Gift Cards to seniors who attend FAFSA dates!!

6. DUE TOMORROW!

GT training per TEA is due tomorrow. The training and the documentation are **due by Dec. 4th**. You will need to upload your PD transcript or the certificate of completion **by Dec. 4th**. Here are the steps:

1. Complete Training through EPISD University

[EPISD GT Hour Completion Instructions](#)

Have you complete the 30 hr GT Course?

Yes = Only complete the 6 hr update

No = Complete the 30 hr GT course

Not sure = It is the teacher's responsibility to obtain/maintain copies of their training from EPISD university. If they are unable to locate personal records/evidence of their 30-hour completion/subsequent 6-hour updates, they would need to take the 30-hour online course and provide you with documentation of completion. Evidence of training may come in the form of their PD transcript or a certificate of completion.

2. Please remember that you 😊 must complete the survey to obtain the certificate. Go to "Courses" and scroll down to "My Transcript", "My Surveys" is located right underneath.

It may take 24 hours for the survey to pop up. If it is not there today, please check tomorrow morning, and then you can complete the survey. After you complete the survey, then your Certificate should be visible on your transcript. Then you can upload your certificate.

Here:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=NKJrT7pSkk2a751VJFYmhJrrT6VRf10kB7-OdYDTmRUOExHVvU3Qk9SR1FGS040SzhSRUlaV1I2OC4u>

7.

Last Day is Tomorrow! - All Teachers – EPISD Academic Calendar Voting

Dear EPISD Family,

Please take a minute to review and vote on your preferred option for the EPISD 2021-22 academic calendar.

You can review both options and cast your vote here: <https://bit.ly/370D24l>.

The deadline to cast a vote is Dec. 4.

	Contract Days	Instructional Days	Start Date	End Date	Inter-cessions (IC)	Work During IC?
Calendar A	187	180	7.26.2021	6.7.2022	10 & 10 Days	No
Calendar B	187	177	7.26.2021	6.2.2022	8 & 9 Days	Yes

8. EPISD Instructional Technology Services – Announcement

Just wanted to share a quick update. The Active Learning Department will no longer provide support through the Academic Helpdesk or Schoology question line, as it was listed on the EPISD website, beginning on Monday, October 26. This will allow more time to focus on working directly with you and your students!

Please continue to reach out with questions and concerns regarding using your and your students' devices for learning. I am always available to support you and will be contacting each campus on how best to move forward with that.

Do not forget that we have a series of resources available on our Instructional Technology Specialists YouTube channel in English and Spanish.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCO3hpuWF5VNGJcwg6dLkwjg/videos>

We encourage you to subscribe to receive updates on new content.

Three Minute Quaranteaching Tips

- https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZeArVXZl_4lUkRfgmsElkkvUYGuuvahu

Zoom for Teachers

- https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZeArVXZl_4mSDqGmuUNJRESM4JrrhhHD

EPISD @Home iPad Tips

- https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZeArVXZl_4mZcdRhgDfnndfvkQ4jthHm

EPISD @Home Macbook Tips

- https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLZeArVXZl_4ndi3uoSb9ZSO26cxE-6XK3

Technical issues will still go through Technology Services at 230-2601 or with a Zendesk ticket.

9. EPISD Covid-19 Employee Testing Site

The District, in partnership with the City of El Paso Health Department, is opening a COVID-19 testing site for EPISD employees starting on Monday. The site will be open by **appointment only** from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Monday through Thursday at the EPISD Health Services Department offices, 3700 Thomason (the former Burnet school site). Please note that testing is available **only** to EPISD employees who are showing symptoms of COVID-19 or who have come in contact with someone who's tested positive for the virus.

For more directions and requirements, please see the document below:

[Employee Testing Site.docx](#) (29.4 KB)

10. Core Teachers: Please submit your name to Mrs. Lopez if you are interested in teaching Edgenuity in Spring 2021 – One teacher from each core subject. This will either be a Zero Period or 9th period. There is a stipend.

11. Please remember to upload your lesson plans to the TMECHS Schoology page by Monday for each course that you teach.

