

Region One ESC TAC Meeting September 2021

Regional Updates

Presented by: Technology for Learning



Agenda

2:00pm – 2:20 pm: Welcome, New Members for 2021-2022, and Regional Updates

2:20pm – 2:50pm: Region of Resiliency: Historical Regional Performance and Student Acceleration

Overview of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on regional student progress, assessment scores, and the accountability system. Region One school systems have shown remarkable resiliency in the face of previous challenges and data shows that our students know how to succeed. *Presented by: Benjamin Macias, Region One ESC*

2:50pm – 3:20pm: Senate Bill 15: Virtual Instruction for Texas Schools

Overview of the requirements set by Senate Bill 15 and how it allows local educational agencies (LEAs) to receive full ADA funding for students who attend local remote learning programs at any point during the 2021-2022 school year. *Presented by: Aminta Silva, Region One ESC*

3:20pm – 3:50pm: Building Teacher Capacity with Instructional Technology Integration

Successfully implementing classroom technology and integrating it with pedagogy to enhance teaching and learning can be a monumental challenge. Pharr-San Juan-Alamo ISD will share their experiences, insights, and lessons learned in working with their teachers to build capacity with classroom tech integration across the district. *Co-Presented by: Daniel Saenz, PSJA ISD and Mike Chuca, Region One ESC*

3:50pm – 4:20pm: Regional Cybersecurity Update

Update on legislative changes to cybersecurity awareness training requirements and new cybersecurity initiatives for the 2021-2022 school year. *Presented by: Daniel Ramirez, Region One ESC*

4:20pm – 4:30pm: Region One ESC Distance Learning Consortium Changes for 2021-2022

The DLC has been completely revamped for the 2021-2022 school year! Due to the shift towards video conferencing via Zoom by TEA and the criticality of information made available via TETN, access to content that previously required membership is now provided to all districts free of charge. *Co-Presented by: Mike Chuca and Dr. Demian Morquin, Region One ESC*

4:30pm: Open Discussion and Selection of Topics for November 2021 TAC Meeting



Welcome and New TAC Members for 2020-2021

Tell us a little about yourself!

Your Name

Your Role

Your District

When you Started

Anything else you'd like to share



Updates and Announcements



TAC Listserv

Listserv will be used to share information and communicate with the TAC group. All existing contacts will be added and members can unsubscribe at will (regiononetac@gl.s.esc1.net).

Upcoming TSDS Submission Dates

September 24, 2021	Close of school-start windows
September 24, 2021	Class Roster Fall & Charter School Waitlist Snapshot Date
October 29, 2021	PEIMS Fall Snapshot Date
October 21, 2021	Class Roster Fall Submission due to TEA
October 29, 2021	Charter School Waitlist Submission due to TEA
December 2, 2021	Fall PEIMS due to TEA
December 3, 2021	All RFT data promoted & validated
January 20, 2022	Fall PEIMS Resubmission due to TEA
January 27, 2022	Mid-Year PEIMS due to TEA
January 27, 2022	ECDS Kindergarten Submission due to TEA
February 10, 2022	Mid-Year PEIMS Resubmission due to TEA
February 17, 2022	SPPI-14 Submission due to TEA



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HB3261 – Electronic Assessments

Relating to the electronic administration of certain required assessment instruments, measures to support Internet connectivity for purposes of those assessment instruments, the adoption and administration of certain optional interim assessment instruments, the review and use of the instructional materials and technology allotment, and requests for production of instructional materials.



SB15 - Virtual Instruction

Under SB 15, LEAs may receive full funding for local remote learning delivered via **synchronous instruction, asynchronous instruction, or a combination, for grades K-12**. The number of students receiving remote instruction is capped at **10% of all enrolled students** within a given LEA. Under SB 15, LEAs may receive funding for remote learning provided in combination with on-campus instruction, as appropriate, to meet the needs of individual students.



2nd Electronic Connectivity Fund (ECF) Window

Due to huge demand across the country, a second filing window has been opened for schools and libraries to apply for funds to purchase hotspots, internet connectivity, etc. The second Emergency Connectivity Fund Program Application Filing Window **opens on September 28, 2021 and will close on October 13, 2021**.

- <https://www.fcc.gov/emergency-connectivity-fund-faqs>



Zoom Data Privacy Agreement

Zoom now requires customers to self-identify as an organization that provides educational services to children under 18 using Zoom products, and if so, all age groups to which you provide educational services using Zoom products. This self-identification **MUST be completed in your admin portal within 30 days of notification to ensure the application of the special data protections for such accounts. Failure to self-identify will result in suspension of Zoom account and services.**

- <https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/4407928119565-Getting-started-with-the-Children-s-Education-Status-setting>
- <https://explore.zoom.us/en/schools-privacy-statement/>



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MegaBYTE All Access Saturdays

Scheduled: October 9, 2021 and October 30, 2021

5th Annual Region One Cybersecurity Summit

Scheduled: October 29, 2021

UTECH MDC: Using Technology to Make a Difference

Scheduled: November 4, 2021

Digital Citizenship for Students

Scheduled: October 13, 2021

Digital Citizenship for Parents

Scheduled: October 26, 2021

Region One STEM Conference

Scheduled: February 17-18, 2021

Region One Student by Student Conference

Scheduled: April 29, 2021

Region One Technology Conference

Scheduled: May 17-19, 2022

SAVE THE DATE

Upcoming Conferences and Events



TAC Survey Feedback

Which of the products/services presented at the April TAC meeting are being considered for 2021-2022?

1. Risk / Cybersecurity Assessment – **77% of respondents**
2. Disaster Recovery Planning – **73% of respondents**
3. DDoS Protection – **60% of respondents**
4. Vulnerability Scanning – **45% of respondents**
5. Security Awareness Training – **41% of respondents**

Is your school system interested in participating in regional/volume purchasing, for any of the services selected above?

- Yes – **95% of respondents**
No – **5% of respondents**

Do you have suggested topics or services for which you'd like more information for the future TAC meetings?

- Best Practice Sharing among school districts
- Cisco Voice and/or CCNA Bootcamps
- Incident Response training
- Wireless network surveys and stress tests
- Security best practices from Region One Districts affected by recent incidents
- Office 365 and G Suite Backup

Please share your thoughts regarding how Region One can better serve your school system.

- Post meeting submission of agenda topics for the subsequent meeting
- More Training for PEIMS errors and how to fix them; any other program that will assist the office staff with paperwork or an easier gradebook
- More technology training for Microsoft technology classroom integration.
- some form of 911 or Amber Alert where Region 1 members can provide support to each other especially when knowledge and experience plays an important role in such situations
- DR Services
- Provided a Ascender chat support for Student and Finance, and a portal for E-Rate related support
- Continue advocating for cyber security. Advocate more for coding camps, STEM, and student connectivity. Consider a paperless initiative to help districts maximize their student information systems and financial management systems, and encourage districts to hire software engineers instead of report writers or network guys. Continue to stress the importance of PEIMS for accountability and funding.



Questions?

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