

RLA Early Childhood Online Resources

<p>Center of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)</p>	<p>The CDC urges all schools to plan, prepare, and respond to COVID-19. Their interim guidance is intended for administrators of public and private childcare programs and K-12 schools. This guidance will help childcare programs, schools, and their partners understand how to help prevent the transmission of COVID-19 within childcare and school communities and facilities. It also aims to help childcare programs, schools, and partners react quickly should a case be identified. The guidance includes considerations to help administrators plan for the continuity of teaching and learning if there is community spread of COVID-19.</p> <p>Guidance for Schools and Childcare Center</p> <p>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/index.html</p>
<p>Texas Education Agency (TEA)</p>	<p>Texas Education Agency COVID-19 Resources for School Districts and Charter Schools</p> <p>The Texas Education Agency (TEA) continues to work with the Office of the Governor, Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) and the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) to coordinate and plan the state's response to COVID-19. Many educators have had questions specific to their school's preparedness and operation plans. These resources below address many of the issues you now face.</p> <p>Initial Guidance</p> <p>https://tea.texas.gov/about-tea/news-and-multimedia/correspondence/ta-letters/tea-update-covid-19-initial-guidance-and-faqs</p> <p>Support and Guidance</p> <p>https://tea.texas.gov/texas-schools/health-safety-discipline/coronavirus-covid-19-support-and-guidance</p> <p>Frequently Asked Questions</p> <p>https://tea.texas.gov/sites/default/files/FINAL CV%20Initial%20Guidance%20and%20FAQs March%2012%202020%203.pdf</p>

<p><u>PBS Parents</u></p>	<p>Explore parent resources to help you raise kind, curious and resilient children. Find parenting tips, hands-on activities, games, and apps featuring your child's favorite PBS KIDS characters.</p> <p>www.pbs.org/parents</p>
<p>Children's Learning Institute (CLI)</p>	<p>Free Family and Teacher Resources for COVID-19</p> <p>CLI's web-based platform, CLI Engage, features many resources to support schools and teachers in maintaining relationships with families and offering supports for learning at home. CLI experts have compiled a set of tools and tips on for teachers and families that will be helpful as you support children and families during this unprecedented period.</p> <p>Family Resources</p> <p>https://cli-main.org/public/tools/materials/covid-19-family/</p> <p>Teacher Resources</p> <p>https://cli-main.org/public/tools/materials/covid-19-teacher/</p> <hr/> <p>Professional Development Courses on CLI Engage</p> <p>CLI Engage hosts many online professional development courses for early childhood teachers, administrators, coaches, and parents. Here you can find a series of courses on the Texas Core Competencies as well as many other topics. Make the most of this unusual time by making progress on your professional development goals.</p> <p>https://cli-main.org/public/tools/online-learning/</p>
<p>First Book Marketplace Offers Free Open eBooks App</p>	<p>The Open eBooks app will give kids from low-income families access to a digital library of thousands of popular and award-winning children's eBooks. The free app allows kids of all ages and their caregivers to instantly download up to 10 eBooks at a time to their mobile digital devices.</p> <p>https://www.fbmarketplace.org/openebooks?utm_source=merch&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=digital&utm_content=mp_3.18.20_openebooks</p>
<p>Freedom Homeschoolin</p>	<p>Virtual field trips from Freedom Homeschooling allow children to visit places around the world without ever leaving their homes. This allows children to</p>



g Free Virtual Field Trips	experience places they would not get to see otherwise. Virtual field trips are also great for when you cannot go out due to illness or disease prevention. https://freedomhomeschooling.com/virtual-field-trips/
Compact for Reading Guide and School-Home Links (English and Spanish)	The Compact for Reading Guide offers tips on creating community and family-school partnerships with the purpose of improving children's reading (for grades K-3). School-Home links are 100 School-Home Links activities for each level - kindergarten thru grade three. The activities are organized by grade level along with the reading and literacy skills appropriate to that grade. http://www2.ed.gov/pubs/CompactforReading/index.html
Helping Your Child Series	The Helping Your Child publication series aims to provide parents with the tools and information necessary to help their children succeed in school and life. These booklets feature practical lessons and activities to help their school-age and preschool children master reading, understand the value of homework, and develop the skills and values necessary to achieve and grow. Many teachers find the series to be a very helpful tool for increasing parental involvement and give copies to their students' parents. www.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/hyc.html?src=rt
Parent Involvement/ Family Literacy Backpacks or Bags	Family fun and learning are promoted through take-home, theme-focused literacy backpacks or bags. How can teachers encourage reading at home and support the role of parents as educators? One way is through the use of family literacy bags, a paired set of theme-based fiction and nonfiction books and related interactive activities that kids bring home from school to share with their family. Just assemble everything into a two-gallon zip top bag or backpack, and they're ready to go! You can browse 19 themes that include family activities and resources at a minimal cost. All instructions are included. For home use in grades PreK-2. http://www.readingrockets.org/article/27935/