

1. **For teachers in grades K-12:** District Expectations for the use of Canvas in the first quarter of the school year are to build the class, add students, and begin posting weekly lesson plans/newsletters in Calendar.



2. **For all teachers:** Do you know what a HyperDoc is? Very easy to create and distribute to your students, a HyperDoc is a Google Doc that contains an innovative lesson for students- a 21st Century worksheet, if you will, but much better. ... With one shortened link, students can access a lesson that contains instructions, links, tasks, and many clever ways to get kids thinking... Here is a good [HyperDoc Tutorial](#) (15:27)



3. **For all teachers:** Have you heard of Amazon Inspire? Just released last summer, and still in beta, and just opened beyond invitation-only this summer. Amazon Inspire is a free repository of educational resources for teachers and educators, including worksheets, lesson plans, assessments, and more. Amazon Inspire is being used by the IDOE as the Content Curation platform for all OER content.



4. **For all staff who have wanted to buy an App for their class:** most staff members know that all Apps EACS uses are free, but that some teachers find wonderful Apps that cost a little bit, and can the buy those apps for their students (within the building budget). Here is the procedure for that process: [Classroom or Building App Purchase Procedure](#). EACS receives a 50% discount on Apps through our Volume Purchase Program (VPP), so please follow this procedure.



5. **For all teachers of reading, especially K-8:** Do you know Epic? Free in the App Store here: [Epic](#) is a 4+ rated app and website providing 25,000 FREE BOOKS! Early Readers, Chapter Books, Non-Fiction, Read-to-Me Audio, and More! Epic also allows teachers to create classes and student profiles with personalized recommendations based on lexile reading level and interests.



Fun technology fact: Engineers at a lab housed at Florida State, the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory, reclaimed the status as home to the world's strongest resistive magnet. Lab officials said they tested a 41.4-tesla magnet, which is roughly 20 times the strength of a magnet used in medical imaging machines and vastly stronger than those on the door your refrigerator. The Earth's magnetic field, by comparison, is one twenty thousandth (.00005) of a tesla. (A tesla is a measure of magnetic field strength). If you are thinking that their lab is like Magneto's playhouse, maybe not quite, but the entire lab uses only synthetically-made, non-metal tools. Read more of the article [here](#)

