

Summer Update

MOU Negotiations Update

VEA and VPS are headed into another session of bargaining today, 8/11 to negotiate an updated Memorandum of Understanding for this school year. In addition to ironing out some smaller details, there are two larger issues VEA and VPS have yet to agree upon, related to onsite work and weekly schedules. After today, VEA and VPS have another session tentatively scheduled for Thursday, 8/13 (if needed).

Below is a summary of this summer's collaboration for your reference.

- Jul 8 – VEA shared initial MOU
- Aug 4 – VPS shared counter MOU
- Aug 5 – Joint mtg. to discuss/negotiate VPS counter #1
- Aug 6 – VEA shared counter #1
- Aug 7 – VPS shared counter #2; Joint mtg. to discuss/negotiate
- Aug 10 – VEA shared counter #2
- Aug 11 – Joint mtg. to discuss/negotiate (anticipating VPS counter #3)
- Aug 13 – Prescheduled joint mtg. to discuss/negotiate (if needed)

We will continue to keep you up to date as this work unfolds. **In the meantime, [our current MOU](#) remains in place through August 31st.**



Aug. 11th School Board Meeting

Join us and listen in to today's VPS School Board Mtg. when they will consider approval of [VPS' Reopening Plan](#), including the recommendation to begin with a Continuous Learning 2.0 model!

Tuesday, August 11th

5:00 PM via Zoom

[Access the meeting with this link](#)

If you'd like to make a Zoom public comment, submit your request to VPSBoard.Directors@vansd.org BY NOON TODAY. Be sure to submit your full name and address for the record. Public comments for the study session must pertain to topics on the agenda.

You can find the [full meeting agenda](#) here.

Educational Technology PD through ESD 112

In addition to the 5 hours of required Tech PD and the 3 hours of optional Tech PD (Canvas/Google Suite/Seesaw basics and advanced, plus other specific apps/platforms), there are a number of **free or low-cost PD options offered through ESD 112 related to Educational Technology.**

Starting from the [ESD 112 PDenroller website](#), look along the far left column under "Subjects" for the "Educational Technology" box. After clicking that box, it will filter their offerings to relevant courses, including free Learning Management System 101 courses related to Canvas, **Google Classroom**, and Seesaw.

One additional course of note is titled "**Designing for Equity in Remote Learning through a UDL and Accessibility Lens**" (Event #106424). It is scheduled for tomorrow, 8/12 at 2 PM online and only costs \$10 to register.

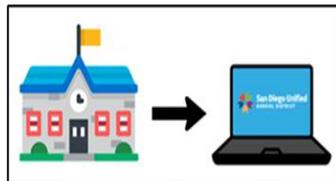


REMINDER:

VPS Tech PD, Registration Open Now

Don't forget to register for **five required hours** of district-funded Technology PD (**Course #7304** on the VPS PD site)! This course is open now and will cover five topics:

- Canvas landing pages
- Zoom,
- Classlink,
- your new laptop, and
- new classroom tech.



This course is self-paced and should be completed by Tuesday, 8/25 in order to be up and running for the start of the school year. **In addition to the self-paced aspects of this course, live support sessions facilitated by our amazing Digital Learning Coaches will also be available for these topics!**