

BEdA COVID-19 Message Digest

March 30th through April 3rd

This document will be used as a digest to catalogue all messages sent from the BEdA office at SBCTC to the ABEDir listserv.

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Grants

March 30 - Use of 2019-20 Leadership Block Grant

Hello to You All,

I hope you are well and your week is off to a great start.

Due to the cancellation of our BEdA face-to-face trainings and with permission from OCTAE, we are temporarily relaxing some of the rules around Leadership Block Grant (LBG) to better allow providers to expend these funds. With this temporary expansion of allowable uses for the LBG, please remember to encumber funds from this year's grant to cover Rendezvous registrations for your program. And please remember that you will need to update your LBG budget in OBIS for any budget changes.

The allowable changes or 2019-20 LBG expenditures during the novel corona virus/COVID19 emergency are:

1. Payment of stipends or wages for part-time faculty developing on-line/remote curriculum
2. Payment of registration for non-SBCTC/BEdA supported trainings for faculty and staff

These changes are effective immediately.

Again, please remember that registration for Rendezvous 2020 can be paid for out of 2019-20 LBG.

If you have questions please contact Troy Goracke at tgoracke@sbctc.edu.

Stay safe and healthy.

Troy Goracke (tgoracke@sbctc.edu)

Testing

April 1 - J. Kerr to Cheryl Keenan, Director-Division of Adult Education and Literacy, Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education (OCTAE)

Jon: *We are now having several colleges deciding to remain closed and operating remotely through June. This means that testing will continue to be a real challenge. We do use the credit accrual option and have put other temporary options in place until testing can resume or be moved to virtual proctoring. We appreciate your understanding. Stay healthy.--Jon*

Cheryl: *Good to hear from you. I am not surprised by decisions on extended closings. I think we will see more and more of them. Commonwealth of VA is on mandatory closures and stay at home orders until June 10. I think testing is the*

least of our worries. We will work through it. We hope to pull together a short State Leadership Consultation call next week to hear more about how things are progressing in some States. Stay tuned.

Online Resources

March 31- New COVID-19 Resources--Please Share Widely

Good morning,

I hope this message finds you well.

I am reaching out to share a couple of new resources for you and the faculty and staff in your programs. Please share widely.

First, there is a [new webpage](#) on the CBS website to house the guidance and resources that we have been sending out. The google folders will remain active and we will continue to post to the CBS Canvas shell. The new page is intended to be a centralized, easy to find resource that is accessible for faculty and staff that are not members of CBS.

Second, SBCTC has launched a [COVID Remote learning Resources web page](#). New resources and emerging information will continue to evolve and made available on the site. This page has a number of resources for faculty and staff, please share widely.

Lastly, although not new, I encourage you to monitor the [BEEdA COVID-19 Q and A page](#) for updated information that may be pertinent to your program. We update this page almost every day, you may find an answer to a question you didn't know you had!

Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Best,

Monica Wilson (mwilson@sbctc.edu)

April 1 - Learn to Zoom! Resources

Learn to Zoom! Training Webinar

- [Webinar Recording](#) – a three hour recording of the Learn to Zoom! webinar held on Wednesday, 3/25
- [Learn to Zoom! Resources](#) – a doc with extra Learn to Zoom! webinar resources

Other Zoom Resources

- [Zoom Help Center](#) – text-based help sheets organized by topic that can answer many of your Zoom questions
- [Zoom Video Tutorials](#) – a collection of Zoom tutorial videos
- [Live Zoom Training](#) – registration for live training sessions by the folks at Zoom
- [Zoom Blog](#) – a blog dedicated to all things Zoom

Must see “How-to” Videos

- [Scheduling a Meeting with Zoom Website](#)
- [Join a Zoom Meeting](#)
- [Joining & Configuring Audio](#)
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