

MIDDLE SCHOOL

MINISTRY RESOURCES



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For Participants in LEA's Middle School Educators Network

LEA is excited to share a refresh designed to elevate your member experience and better support your daily ministry. To ensure our digital spaces are as modern, intuitive, and resource-rich as possible, we have rolled out several updates across our platform:

- **Network Name Change:** Professional networks are now called **Ministry Resources**, serving as your streamlined hub for tools and collaborative growth.
- **Refreshed Design:** You will notice an updated look for [LEAconnects](#) and our main [website](#).
- **Blog Renaming:** Our flagship blog, *LEAven*, has officially transitioned to [The LEarning Curve](#), your go-to source for contemporary insights and trends in Lutheran education.

We invite you to explore these new features and see how we are continually growing to better serve you.

The LEarning Curve



The first week of school will be here before you know it! Are you looking for some great first day of science class activities to welcome your new students? Try some items from [15 First Day of Science Class Activities](#). (Laney Lee in *Laney Lee Science*)

While written for British schools, [First Day of School Maths Activities: Setting the Tone for Success](#) provides some great ideas to ignite enthusiasm for math in your classroom. (David Lin in *Maths No Problem*)

[27 Quick Win, Low-Prep Ways to Integrate Tech This Year](#) provides teacher-tested activities which use free or familiar tools to help students think critically, create meaningfully, and collaborate with each other. (Crystal Uhren in *Edutopia*)

Don't miss these weekly LEA resources...

[WOW Video](#)

[Weekly Devotion](#) by Ed Grube

[The LEArning Curve Blog](#)

[What Works For Me Podcast](#)

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