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For Participants in LEA's Secondary Education 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.



Games sometimes get a bad rap, but [the benefits](#) extend far beyond creating a more joyful and fun classroom—though that is a by-product. Math teachers say they can defuse [math anxiety](#), challenge and motivate students to strengthen their conceptual knowledge, provide crucial insights into where gaps in understanding exist, and create a space where making a mistake doesn't feel like such a big risk. Find some ideas for your classroom at [14 Exceptionally Fun Math Games for Middle and High School](#). (Paige Tutt in *Edutopia*)

The first day of class is your opportunity to present your vision of the class to prospective students. It would be helpful if you could introduce yourself as a scholar and educator and provide insight into how you will teach the class and what you expect them to contribute to the learning process. How can you go about doing this? Try the lesson [First Day of Class](#). (*Lab Xchange*)

Are you looking for a blog to follow that will make you think and comes from a Lutheran secondary teacher's perspective? Check out [FaithEdTech](#) by David Black, a teacher at Lutheran High School Parker. It's all about "Exploring the intersection of the Christian faith, education, and technology."

Including interests in new learning and baseball.”

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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