

ETAG Report - January 2021

EdTech Commons

The dev team continues to refine designs in preparation for the late January launch of version 1. The current site is available for viewing, but please refrain from sharing.

Currently, vendor information cards are being populated. An ELC group has convened to gather documents about implementation practices, such as recommended syllabus language, common pitfalls, and equity considerations. We continue exploring IMS standards for data privacy, security, and accessibility to provide information to users about tools.

Current Solicitations (RFP/RFQQ)

Exam Surveillance (proctoring software) negotiations are complete, and contracts and price sheets are signed off and available to colleges. Announcements were sent to ELC and other lists. The contracts are let by SBCTC, but colleges will pay for the licensing costs.

Live Captioning had a very small pool of respondents to the RFP. There will be two contracts made available to the system, which is fewer than we expected. The Apparent Successful Vendors have not been announced. These contracts will be let by SBCTC, but colleges will pay for the captioning costs.

IMS Global

SBCTC Ed Tech is in the process of purchasing a system-wide membership at the contributor level of [IMS Global Learning Consortium](#). That will give college staff access to resources, workgroups, and conferences offered by IMS. IMS develops, maintains, and promotes open standards for learning data, interoperability, privacy and security, accessibility and other aspects of the educational technology ecosystem.

New Elearning Codes

The codes are in discussion by Data Governance. Codes include options for virtual (real-time live conferencing), virtual/hybrid (reduced seat time, with live conferencing meetings, and options for online or hybrid courses that include on-campus labs. They satisfy the need to p inform students about course mode during the pandemic response, but are built to be useful after the pandemic as well.

Joint ETAG/CATO Work Group

CATO and ETAG are currently recruiting for members of the joint work group. This group will be developing a sustainable approach to evaluating software for accessibility compliance.