

## Edmodo Project Update July 6, 2020: Account Creation for LEA Admins

### Purpose

This communication serves as a notification of forthcoming account creations for school district and supervisory union (SU/SD) leadership and a status update on the Vermont Agency of Education's (AOE) rollout of Edmodo.

### Introduction

As was announced broadly in our [June 10, 2020 press release](#), the Vermont Agency of Education (AOE) has partnered with global education network [Edmodo](#) to create a [statewide network for Vermont educators](#). This network will enable collaboration and access to Continuity of Learning resources for continued support to all Vermont students. The Edmodo platform will provide educators with a virtual ecosystem for peer learning and networking communities to share information and best practices, both within closed district networks and statewide. Through this partnership, the AOE has constructed a "walled garden" for open education resource sharing among Vermont educators within a heightened security perimeter. Each SU/SD and approved independent school will be provided with an independent space for localized development and online teaching. At the state level, the AOE will be able to support virtual spaces for the convening, sharing and learning of educators – removing geographic and financial barriers posed by in-person gatherings previously experienced by professionals from across the state, as well as any health and safety concerns related to gathering in-person during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### Account Creation

Over the last few weeks the AOE and Edmodo have focused on developing the statewide infrastructure, establishing SU/SD and school spaces, and uploading the corresponding leadership ("Admin Users") to those spaces. The AOE identified superintendents, principals, curriculum directors and technology directors as being the frontline Admin Users who will determine if, how, when and who will use and populate their Edmodo communities.

This week, account notifications will be sent to your organization emails from Edmodo. Those notifications will direct you in account setup and next steps. You can also visit [Edmodo's Help Center for Admin Users](#) for further information.

The AOE is prioritizing getting these accounts into your hands as soon as possible to experiment, play and learn Edmodo's functionality. We will be developing self-paced training resources that will be available mid-July and [customer support from Edmodo](#) will be available

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for technical troubleshooting. To maximize eventual training opportunities, we highly encourage self-exploration first to better understand your school community user experience and to surface questions.

If you don't receive a notification from Edmodo by July 13, 2020, please contact the AOE at [aoe.edmodohelp@vermont.gov](mailto:aoe.edmodohelp@vermont.gov). We will work with Edmodo to resolve any errors or gaps in data and get you up in running in Edmodo.

Meanwhile, the AOE project team will continue over the coming weeks to further build out the state ecosystem, develop professional learning and resources to support this ecosystem, and provide updates as this work unfolds. As co-learners with all of you, our goal is to ensure clarity in our purpose and message as we offer this resource to the Vermont educational community.