

Session 9

Tool Time Tuesday

Discounts, Outlook and Excel Basics Tips



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DISCOUNTS

- iDeal offers a list of discounts for MD Anderson employees:
www3.mdanderson.org/empresources/discounts/iDeal/index.cfm?pagename=available-discounts
 - Sprint, T-Mobile, Verizon
 - BatteriesPlus
 - Todays Business Solutions – office supplies
 - Pet insurance, alarm discounts (ADT), AAA
- Well OnTarget from BCBS - \$25 a month for unlimited access to participating gyms:
<https://healthselect.bcbstx.com/content/health-and-wellness-incentives/fitness-program>
- Blue 365 – discounts on health, wellness, fitness:
<https://www.blue365deals.com/BCBSTX/offers?category%5Bnutrition%5D=nutrition>

OUTLOOK TIPS

HOME TAB - RULES

Rules allow you to forward emails to a folder. You can forward based on a keyword in the subject line or body of text, sender name, sender.

- Home tab → Rules → Create Rule → Advanced options →
 - Step 1: Select conditions (what are you trying to flag? A person? A keyword?)
 - Step 2: Edit the rule description. Click on the link in the box and add the word or text you wish Outlook to search for.
- Click “Next”
 - Step 1: Select an action like, “move to a specific folder”, “redirect to a specific group”, “flag the message”, “display a desktop alert”
 - Step 2: Edit the rule description. This allows you to select the folder or person you wish to move the item to, etc.
- Click “Next”
 - Step 1: Select your exceptions. Exceptions might include keywords or a specific person on an email.
 - Step 2: Edit the rule description to identify the keyword or person.
- Click “Next”
 - Step 1: Name the rule.
 - Step 2: Run the rule on messages in your inbox or choose to activate the rule for future emails.
- Finish

HOME TAB - CATEGORIZE

Categorize your important emails with a color code.

- Select Categorize → All categories → Name your category and add a color

SEND/RECEIVE TAB

- Show Progress: Shows you where your emails are in the sending process.
- Cancel All: This will allow you to cancel a message that is in the process of sending.

FOLDER

- Add to Favorites: Add a folder to your favorites to see it at the top of your mailbox.

VIEW TAB

- Message Preview: Allows you to select how many lines of the message show in the main message pane.
- Layout section allows you to collapse or expand your folder, reading, and to-do panes.
- Close All Items – this will close all of your open windows in Outlook, except your main mailbox.

SEARCH OUTLOOK

- This pops up when you click in the search bar.
- Use operators like AND, OR, NOT
- Use your search tab
 - From allows you to search emails by sender
 - Search your categories
 - Subject: search the subject lines
 - Search Tools: Advanced search
- OFFICE365: The search is above your “New Message” button. Click on the little drop-down carrot to get advanced search options.

EXCEL TIPS

HOME TAB – CONDITIONAL FORMATTING

Find duplicate values or unique values in an Excel spreadsheet.

- Quickly highlight all duplicate or unique values
 - For the entire spreadsheet or 1 or more columns/rows
- Choose your spreadsheet or column(s)
- Home tab > Conditional formatting > Highlight cells rules > Duplicate values > choose duplicate or unique > choose the formatting > click OK

HOME TAB - FIND & SELECT

- Find all blanks
 - For the entire spreadsheet or 1 or more cells
- Choose your spreadsheet or column(s)
- Home tab > Find > Go to special > Choose blanks > click OK
- Bonus: Fill those blanks by entering your number (such as 0) and pressing CTRL+Enter

DATA TAB – FILTER

- Filter the entire spreadsheet or 1 or more columns
- Select your spreadsheet or column(s)
- Data tab > Filter
- Now you can apply text filters, search for text in columns, filter on color (based on conditional formatting)

DATA TAB – FREEZE OR SPLIT FRAMES

- Freeze top row or first column
 - For the entire spreadsheet or 1 or more columns
 - View tab > Freeze panes > choose either
- Split
 - For the entire spreadsheet
 - View tab > Split > now adjust where the spreadsheet is split