Quick Tips: Updated Content Editor for Blackboard Learn Original Experience and Original Course View

There are lots of great reasons to like the updated Content Editor in Blackboard Learn. Adding content has been simplified, and it works better on both hand-held devices and larger screens. There are several improvements for accessibility and some new features, too. Besides some updated tool icons, there are also some changes in behavior to know about.

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There's now one easy menu for adding content from your computer, cloud storage, or integrated tool. The Content Editor will automatically recognize the kinds of files you add.

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The editor is better suited for all devices—small screen or big. Pop-ups are gone for a better mobile experience.

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The editor is more accessible, and a new accessibility checker helps authors make content more accessible.

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Pasting content from Word, Excel, and websites is even better. You can choose to remove extra HTML but retain basic formatting.

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When pasting links to websites such as YouTube, Vimeo, and Dailymotion, the videos are automatically embedded for inline playback. Other sites including The New York Times, WordPress, SlideShare and Facebook will embed summary previews.

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Authors can now share formatted computer code snippets, super handy for computer science classes and coding clubs.

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Adding content used to be a two-step process. You had to choose the right tool for the type of content you were adding and then choose the source. The first step is gone. Pick one or multiple files at once from your computer or the Content Collection. And of course, you can still access files from your favorite cloud storage services.

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The options for emoticons are expanded, grouped into categories, and searchable.

A larger library of special characters is organized into categories and searchable.

