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Prepare Teachers for Digital Learning

With rise of blended learning and the rapid transition to digital content in K-12 schools, professional development is more important than ever.

Teachers who learn digitally are more likely to integrate technology effectively in their own classrooms.

83%

In Metro Nashville Public Schools, 83% of teacher reported greater comfort with technology in their classrooms after blended professional development.¹

65%

65% of district administrator believe enhancing teacher effectiveness through professional development has the greatest potential to enhance student achievement.²

With **Blackboard's Collaborate Starter Solution**, districts can create professional development opportunities for teachers that are flexible, fun, and convenient while preserving class time and reducing costs. The solution is designed to enable districts to provide efficient and effective synchronous professional development, virtual meetings, and flipped professional learning.



Reduce professional development costs

Maximize your investment with digital professional development by offering virtual meetings that will eliminate travel and onsite training costs.



Respect teachers' time with flexibility and convenience

Increase teacher efficiency with flexible and convenient professional development that doesn't cut into personal or class time.



Prepare teachers for digital learning

Teachers who learn with web conferencing and flipped PD are more comfortable experimenting with digital learning in their classrooms.



Preserve Precious Instructional Time

Maximize instructional time keeping teachers in their classrooms by providing digital professional development.

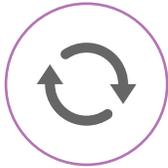
¹Metro Nashville Public Schools: Evolution of a Digital District

²2014 Project Tomorrow Speak Up Survey Data

Digital tools designed to make learning changes happen

Blackboard brings teaching and learning to life with innovative digital learning technology.

The Collaborate Starter Solution includes:



**Blackboard Collaborate
enterprise
web-conferencing**



**Professional
learning services**

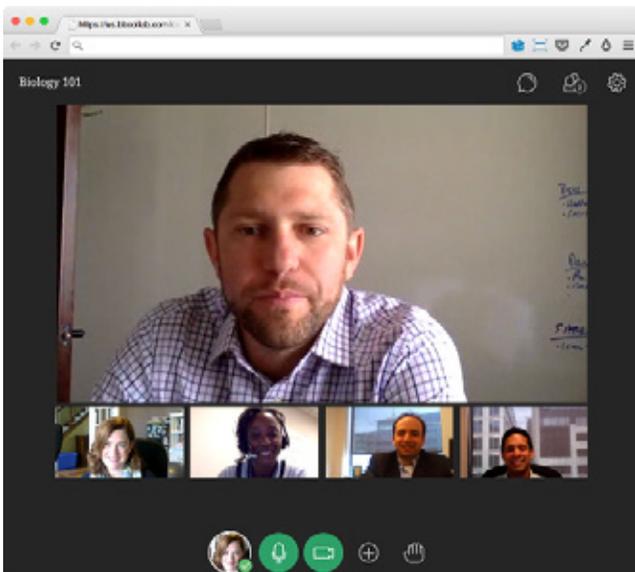


**Beautifully designed,
native mobile
applications**



**Cloud-based,
software-as-service
(SaaS) deployment**

With the new **Ultra experience**, Blackboard provides a fully redesigned, browser based web conferencing solution built for education, schools have a reliable, simple and convenient digital learning platform that enables rich collaboration with engaging, high quality audio and video conferencing.



Follow the Speaker HD Video Conferencing

- › Modern, simple, redesigned experience creating a new way to learn
- › Fast, quick, convenient, one click start up (runs directly in the browser)
- › Fast, sharp application sharing leveraging innovative WebRTC technology
- › Rich, personalized, engaging experience with high definition audio and video
- › Rapid adoption with minimal hand-holding
- › Designed for education, optimized for learning
- › Teachers & students can participate using Chromebooks!
- › MP4 lesson recording & playback for mobile friendly flipped lessons
- › Native, persona based mobile application for anywhere, anytime learning coming soon*
- › Commitment to accessibility, eg. supports live closed captioning; working toward WCAG 2.0 AA and Section 508 compliance*



Just saw the most recent version of
@Blackboard collaborate, and wow, it looks great.

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