What’s happening in the world of eLearning and D2L Brightspace at Bemidji State University

What’s the Scoop?

D2L Brightspace Update to 10.5.3
All MnSCU schools will update to Version 10.5.3 on November 17. D2L is expected to be down between 4-8am during the upgrade.

What’s new?

News
• Instructor can retrieve deleted News items

Dropbox:
• Folder Submission History log includes file upload date/time stamp

Copy Course Components
• Identifies the individual who performed the course copy function with date/time stamp
• Improved workflow to avoid timeouts when copying courses

Groups tool
• Self-enrollments can be changed by student
• Student can view member list before enrolling
• Self-enroll groups can auto enroll students who have not self-enrolled by deadline

Discussions
• Consistent views for assessing discussions

Fixed Issues of Note:
• The Add Users to Special Access button in Quizzes is now clickable in Firefox and Safari when using a Mac.
• Pearson Integration-grades will sync back into D2L.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Does BSU have a license for a lecture-capture tool?
A: Yes! We have a campus license for Panopto

Panopto is a video capture software that allows you to record video and/or PowerPoints during a lecture, and make them accessible from your D2L course shell.

For more information contact Brian in the ITS helpdesk.

I didn’t know I could do that!

You can give an individual student extended access to a course to finish an incomplete.

We can change a student’s role from “student” to “IP Student,” which bypasses the course end date.

To request “IP Student” access for a student, send an email request to Beth (bjensen@bemidjistate.edu) or Julie (jadams@bemidjistate.edu) with the following information:

• Student Name AND TechID Number
• Course Name
• Course ID Number or Semester
• Reason for request (i.e. to make up an incomplete)

IMPORTANT NOTES:
-If there are date restrictions on course activities, such as Assignments and Quizzes, you will need to remove the dates or give the student Special Access for those items.

-When the student is finished, let us know, and we will change the student’s role back to “student” to close the course.

Upcoming Training

Coming Soon:
• End of Semester Tips
• Importing Grades into the Faculty Application from D2L