

New Features in the Text Box Editor

The Text Box Editor in Blackboard Learn 9.1 Service Pack 11 contains several new useful features. The new features covered by this document include a redesigned look, a new expand button, a new full screen button, a new preview button, emotions, and the ability to record from a webcam. In addition, compatibility with pasting text from Word documents is much improved.

Redesigned Look

As shown in the screenshot below, the toolbars on the Text Box Editor have been redesigned with a new, streamlined look.



Expand Button

Rather than a small arrow to the left of each row, the Text Box Editor now contains a single *Expand* (Section) button on the far right of the first toolbar. Clicking this button, labeled *Show More* or *Show Less*, depending on whether you have the toolbars expanded or not, will either show all three toolbars or only the first.



Full Screen Button

The Text Box Editor now contains a button in the first toolbar, second from the right, labeled *Full Screen* (E). As you might imagine, clicking this button will cause the Text Box Editor to fill the screen. Clicking the button again will reduce the Text Box Editor to its previous size.





Preview Button

In the new Text Box Editor, the **Preview** (Second toolbar to the first. As before, clicking the **Preview** button will open a popup window with a preview of the contents.



Emotions

The Text Box Editor now contains an *Emotions* (⁽²⁾) button, which allows you to place smiley faces representing various emotions anywhere in your text.



Record from Webcam

The Text Box Editor now contains a **Record from Webcam** () button on the third toolbar. This feature requires that you have a YouTube account (if you have an account for Gmail or any other Google services, you already have a YouTube account). This feature will record a video from your webcam, upload it to YouTube as an unlisted/non-searchable video, and be added as a mashup to the text box.



