Assessment Properties

Although you are probably already familiar with Assessments in Blackboard, the tool in SP13 contains several new options that provide more flexibility while assessing your students.

New Features

• Test Description and Test Instructions Appear Before Assessment (if provided by Instructor)
• Set Test Availability Options for Specific Users or Groups
• Increased Feedback Options for Students

Description and Instructions

You have the option of showing the Test Description and Test Instructions to students before they begin the exam. In order to do this, click on the boxes next to these options in the test options screen and be sure you have provided material in each section.

Specific Availability Options

You now have the option of adjusting the test availability for specific users or groups. You can create exceptions for any or all of the following by adding a user/group and setting exceptions:

• Number of attempts
• Time of test
• Auto submit on or off
• Test date availability
• Force completion on or off

Setting exceptions for specific students allows you to provide for ODA requests without creating a separate exam. It also provides a method for allowing only the student that missed an exam access to that exam.

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Increased Feedback Options

The new feedback provides instructors with two valuable tools to further enhance student understanding.

Show Test Results and Feedback to Students

Test results and feedback are available to students after they complete a test. Set up to two rules to show results and feedback. Rules occur based on the events selected.

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Instructors can now set the feedback to appear at up to two specific times instead of only as soon as students finish the test. Instructors choose when to reveal test results and feedback from the following options:

- After Submission
- One-time View
- On Specific Date
- After Due Date
- After Availability and End Date
- After Attempts are Graded

In addition, instructors can choose to provide different feedback at each of the chosen times. For each time chosen, the instructor may choose from multiple levels of feedback as described by the table at the right:

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**Best Practice:**

The test availability settings can be changed at any time, even after some students have attempted the test. Remember that, if your settings are in conflict for some reason, the system will grant the users the most permissive settings for that user or group.