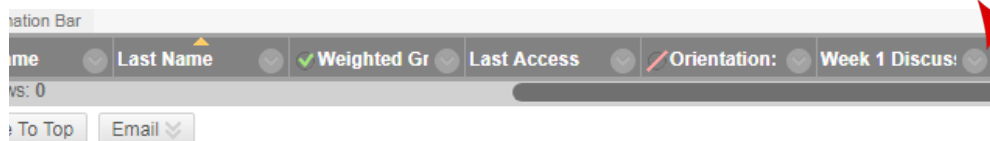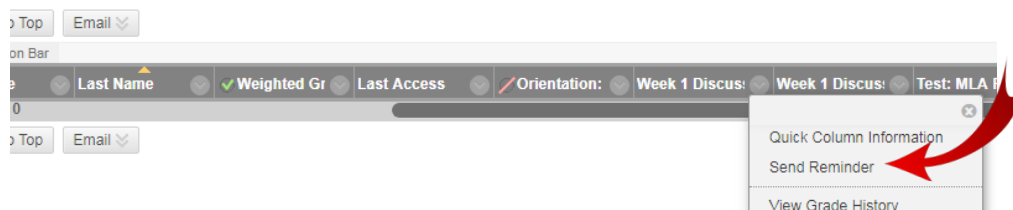# CIDT NEWSLETTER

GRADEBOOK REMINDERS

As we all know, sometimes students need an extra reminder to turn in their assignments on time. Blackboard makes it easy to send students a quick hint to get busy!

To send a reminder to your students, go into your "Full Grade Center."

Once there, you can click the drop down arrow next to the assignment due and a menu will appear.

Now you can click "Send Reminder," and a reminder will be sent to your students!

TUTOR.COM IN THE COURSE MENU

As you may have noticed, Tutor.com can now be found in the course menu of your Blackboard courses. In the past few months, we have seen a dramatic increase in Tutor.com users! We hope to see these numbers continue to grow, and have tried our best to make Tutor.com even more accessible to students.

Want to learn more about Tutor.com?
Click here for a short video
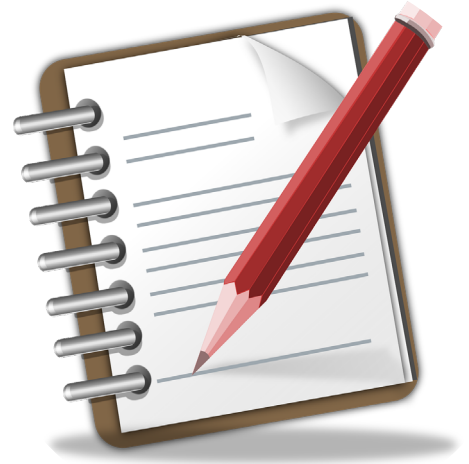

CIDT OPEN HOUSE!

This week, CIDT had the pleasure of holding an Open House! With all of the exciting changes we've been making to our office space, we wanted to share and show off our new layout. Faculty, staff, and students all dropped by to take a look.

Here are some of the highlights!

BLACKBOARD ALLY - CO-PILOT

Southeastern has obtained a new tool called Blackboard Ally. This software integrates with Blackboard to indicate the level at which each course is accessible and provides tips and assistance to improve the accessibility. A small group has begun to work with Ally through Dr. Kate Shannon's faculty research grant. Ally will be added to all courses in May of 2019. If you would like to gain early access to this tool in March and receive training directly from Blackboard representatives, please sign up to participate in Ally Co-Pilot.

Those who sign up to participate in Ally Co-Pilot will participate in two workshops hosted by Blackboard to explain accessibility and how to use Ally. They will also gain early access to Ally within their courses and receive a course report showing an accessibility score and what items have been flagged for improvement. Participants in Ally Co-Pilot will also be invited to share feedback with Dr. Kate Shannon to use in her research.

Workshop dates for Ally Co-Pilot will be announced as soon as possible. Participants may join these workshops from CIDT or remotely.

Interested? Sign up Here!

UPDATE:
Ally will open up on March 4th, if you would like to participate, please sign up (above)

SE EXTENDED INTERVIEWS

Starting in February, the Southeastern Extended media team would like to start conducting FacebookLive interviews of instructors! These live videos would be a great opportunity for online students to ask questions and get to know the instructors that teach their courses.

Interested? You can contact one of our social media assistants to set up an appointment!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

DROP-IN TRAINING
Date: May 1st-2nd
Event: Accessibility Training

QM TRAINING
Date: TBA

QUALITY MATTERS

QM

We're still picking a date! If you are interested in taking the QMR training course, please take our survey below to help choose a training date.

CLICK HERE FOR SURVEY!