# **Blackboard Basics for Students**

### What is Blackboard Learn?

Blackboard Learn is the Learning Management System(LMS) used at Luzerne County Community College.. Not all courses use Blackboard Learn, but if your classes does, you may be required to submit assignments online, complete quizzes and exams online or participate in discussion boards online. In addition, Blackboard has a built-in collaborative tool called Blackboard Collaborate that many instructors use to simulate a "live" classroom experience.

## Getting started in Blackboard Learn:

You will be able to access your classes on the **first day of the semester**. The first thing that you'll need to do on the first day of the semester is access the Blackboard home page and sign in to your account. Blackboard Learn can be accessed from the Blackboard Learn home page: <a href="https://learn.luzerne.edu">https://learn.luzerne.edu</a>.

Your student Blackboard Learn Username *and* initial Password are both set to your first/last name initials followed by your 7-digit student ID number. For example, if your student ID number was 0987654 and your name was John Doe, your Learn Username and Password would be jd0987654. If you used Learn in the past and changed your password at some point, you will use the password that you created.

Run the Blackboard Browser Check before beginning your online assessments. This will ensure that you are able to access all content in Blackboard. Your course may also use third party tools called Course Management Systems that may require some additional browser check steps. Your instructor can let you know if this is a requirement for the course.

Blackboard Browser Check link: Blackboard Browser Check

Google Chrome works best with Blackboard Learn. Microsoft browsers do not work well with this system. If you do not already have Google Chrome installed on your PC, you can download it for free here: Google Chrome

There are a few Announcements that appear on the Blackboard main page. Please take the time read them as there is some important information on default login information, verifying your LCCC student email account, etc.

### **Blackboard Support**

If this is your first time using Blackboard Learn, you'll want to take some time to get familiar with things like course navigation, communication, and assessment procedures. The Blackboard Learn student support page is a great way to familiarize yourself with everything that Blackboard can do: <a href="Blackboard">Blackboard</a> Support

### Blackboard app for Students:

The Blackboard app is designed especially for students to view content and participate in courses. The app is available on iOS, Android, and Windows mobile devices. Download app here: https://help.blackboard.com/Mobile\_Learn

#### Blackboard Collaborate

Blackboard Collaborate is a synchronous online tool that allows students and their instructors to communicate in real time via a virtual classroom. Collaborate is built right into your course and you do not need to sign into anything else in order to access this virtual classroom. In this virtual classroom, you can chat with instructors and other students. Some classrooms also allow audio and video. Not all instructors use this feature so be sure to find out from your instructor if there is a virtual classroom for the class.