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Blackboard Learn for Correctional Education and Rehabilitation

Transform Your Statewide Educational Program

Anthology understands the goal for juvenile and adult correctional facilities is rehabilitating offenders to contribute to society upon release, while at the same time reducing recidivism rates and costs to the state.

State correctional and rehabilitation organizations partner with Anthology to ensure the education goals that underpin the greater mission. State corrections experts team with Anthology learning experts to drive real impact through shared responsibilities. Anthology provides the educational technology that secures the data of offenders and facility personnel, tracks progress of individuals and programs, allows communication with families, and provides ongoing innovation for continuous improvements. Beyond technology, Anthology provides the strategic consulting, content development, implementation, and help desk and support services required by successful learning programs.

With more than **150 million users** in over **80 countries**, Anthology is the largest educational technology company in the world, and we have perfected the art of effective learning. That experience includes not only higher education and K-12 education, but also a long history serving the government, including corrections, judicial, and law enforcement agencies across the country.

Blackboard Learn is a modern and intuitive learning management system that enables all the benefits of the cloud, including fast time to value and continuous innovation. Government clients across the country have improved learning and mission outcomes when partnered with Anthology.

Key Capabilities:

Cost effective
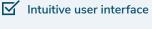
Secure

Simplifies process for instructors

Improves offender engagement

Reduces recidivism

Customize a Smart, Secure Learning Program

Create a learner-centric training environment that increases offender (and/or employee) engagement and course completions, while effectively measuring your program's impact against educational objectives and mission outcomes. Key features include:

- ☑ Intuitive user interface
- ☑ Course authoring tools
- ☑ Content management
- ☑ Virtual classroom
- ☑ Learner registration
- ☑ Reporting and analytics

- ☑ Assessments
- ☑ Social learning tools (journals, discussions, wikis, blogs)
- ☑ Learning paths
- ☑ Progress tracking
- ☑ Mobile apps

43%

Individuals who participate in correctional education have 43% lower odds of recidivating after release than those who do not[1].

Anthology clients have ensured successful learning programs by following these best practices:

- Leverage the same Anthology technology regardless of class or course modality; Blackboard Learn is used for in-person, blended, and fully online, self-paced courses

- Ensure learner engagement through superior course design, social learning tools, and the integrated virtual classroom

- Make the most of peer support available through Anthology's vast user community of experts

- Tap Anthology learning experts to jump start your program: from program strategy to content design and development to end user help desk support, Anthology has the experienced staff to extend your team and your success

Blackboard Learn holds the FedRAMP Moderate authorization, making it the ideal cloud solution for clients with strong security requirements. Anthology's continued investment in maintaining security authorizations allows clients to safeguard user data, for both the incarcerated and facility personnel. Corrections organizations can reap all the benefits of SaaS including:

- Improved time to value

- Lower cost driven by economics of scale

- Scalability and resiliency via the cloud

- Continuous innovation through faster release cycles

- Advanced security

1. Davis, Lois M., Robert Bozick, Jennifer L. Steele, Jessica Saunders and Jeremy N. V. Miles. Evaluating the Effectiveness of Correctional Education: A Meta-Analysis of Programs That Provide Education to Incarcerated Adults. Santa Monica, CA: RAND Corporation, 2013. http:// www.rand.org/pubs/research_reports/RR266.html.

Make Course Content Accessible to All

Anthology is first and foremost a learning company. Our holistic ecosystem of EdTech solutions is designed to open a world of possibilities for your institution and your learners. With a heart for education and eyes set on the future, we are uniquely positioned to provide dynamic, data-informed experiences to the global education community so that learners and educators can achieve their goals. This mission ensures our continued investment in accessibility across Anthology's offerings.

While Blackboard Learn meets 508 compliance accessibility standards, Anthology Ally ensures the learning content also conforms to the highest levels of global accessibility standards. Anthology Ally ensures usability, accessibility, and quality of course content.

Anthology Ally

- Checks content for accessibility issues and makes recommended improvements for further accessibility
- Generates alternative formats for content including HTML, audio, ePub, electronic braille, and tagged PDFs
- Provides organization-wide reporting on course content accessibility metrics to drive further improvements

A focus on learning content allows for technology to meet the learner where they perform their best. Whether it be a preference for audio over written instruction, or a language translation, the technology repurposes existing content. This not only eases the burden on instructors and content creators but increases the overall effectiveness of your programs.

Beyond learner preferences, Anthology Ally helps address learning of offenders with known, unknown, disclosed, or undisclosed disabilities.

Stay Connected with Families

Keeping parents, family members, and guardians involved in the educational process is key to offender success. Blackboard Learn communication tools help instructors share student-specific information, relevant news, and timely updates to support a positive and supportive learning environment for every offender. This communication also empowers families, giving them convenient access to the correctional education program and student information so they can impact their child's success.

> ...there's a quality of life benefit for other prisoners: prison yards with college courses report reduced violence and a safer work environment for corrections staff.[2]

2. Paynter, B. (2018, March 23). California's Prison Education System Is Yielding Impressive Results. Fast Company. Retrieved from: https:// www.fastcompany. com/40547877/californias-prison-education-system-is-yielding-impressive-results?partner=feedburner&utm_ source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_ campaign=Feed%3A+fastcompany%2Fheadlines+%28Fast+Company%29

Access Coursework Offline

We realize that some correctional facilities operate their educational programs with no or very limited Internet access. Blackboard Learn Offline provides continuous access to course content, regardless of the Internet connection.

- ☑ Download content for when the system goes offline
- ☑ Select content for an entire course or just specific items
- ☑ Upload completed work once back online

Create a Virtual Classroom for Staff Training

Provide a new way to share knowledge throughout your corrections department with Collaborate by Class. Designed with the learner in mind, Collaborate by Class technology provides an opportunity to train the correctional facility staff in a virtual classroom that emulates in-person training. Virtual classrooms also offer a way to bring experts and guest instructors into class remotely, without the need for added travel expense. Collaborate is fully integrated with Blackboard Learn, offering a seamless end user experience. No need to switch between applications or log in multiple times.

Expand Your Program with Our Learning Experts

Anthology stands ready to partner with correctional departments with the goal of rehabilitating offenders and offering optimal opportunities on their educational journey. Anthology is experienced in multi-site complex deliveries with diverse learning programs and use cases. Anthology technology and educational experts provide the systems, know-how, and support to ensure overall success. Anthology services can include any of the following:

- Technology implementation, configuration, and customization
- System operations, maintenance, and engineering
- System integration and third-party support
- Course design and development
- Advanced program analytics

- Help desk for technical and end user support
- Product development and continuous innovation
- Project management
- Enrollment and financial staff
- System training for all roles

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