

## Special points of interest:

- What's new for Moodle 2 upgrade? [View here.](#)
- Pilot Test for Respondus Lock-Down Browser
- Session 2: Faculty Ownership of Copyright webinar held on Wed., April 3. [View here.](#)

## Special Thanks To MCMoodle Liaisons

March 28, 2013, marks our one-year anniversary for installing MCMoodle liaisons within the departments.

These “point-people”, hand-picked by department deans and chairs in collaboration with Dr. Ron Howard, VP of Academic Affairs, were established as a local contacts for faculty to answer the “easy” questions like “how do I upload my syllabus” and “how do I import my course content?”

During the first session of the Copyright and Fair Use webinar, Dr. Howard presented a \$20 Pimento’s gift card to each liaison present. This is just a small token of appreciation for the ongoing effort you make to encourage MCMoodle use.

We realize you carry a full work load, take part in committees and contribute to organized meetings, but investing in your colleagues is a special significant way to promote team effort in this initiative.

Offering assignments online should still be accessible to the

disability students, and we are glad to announce our newest addition to the liaison list as of March 1, Dr. Morgan Bryant. She will be the recognized as our contact for disability needs. If you need help with extending time on an online quiz or advise on other ways to accommodate a disability need, you can contact her office. [Visit the website.](#)

Of course, as a liaison, if you find yourself “stumped” or faced with an issue outside of what would be a “basic” question, you should not hesitate to contact our MCMoodle Instructional Technologist, Jessica Manzo.



**MCMoodle Liaisons**  
Local support from a colleague

## Upgrade to Moodle 2



Aesthetic improvements are among the changes coming to MCMoodle. We are pleased to report that on May 16, MCMoodle will be “new and improved”. Changes

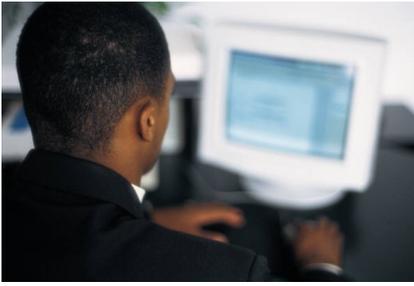
include a user-friendly drag/drop file uploads and file-sharing between faculty and students from within the course file bank.

Just because Moodle is upgrading *does not mean* your “old” courses will disappear. They will all be accessible and hold their content, and you may continue to access archived courses by searching for them by name.

Faculty orientations, tutorials and a course sample are being created now for you to explore soon, so stay tuned!

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### Pilot Testing For Lock-Down Browser Launched This Week

To better safe-guard the online testing environment, the Online Learning & Development Committee's "New Courses" ad-hoc subcommittee has begun a pilot beta-test using a lock-down browser. Three instructors of three departments (Nursing, Education and Communications) will gather data from their test administering. The tested product, Respondus, is a software-base browser that prevents students navigating from their exam. It also disables print screen and printing, copying and pasting, blocks messaging and network monitoring applications, and switching from one window to another, to name a few control factors.

This week was the first week to launch the pilot, with a quiz offered on Tuesday morning by the Nursing department. The students experienced no problems and the instructor seemed hopeful. Data collecting for the action research will continue through the end of this Spring 2013 semester when the data analysis will be drawn.

## Special Thanks to MCMoodle Liaisons

**Art** Stephanie Busbea; Terra Gardner

**Biology** Cecelia Thomas, Terry Dent

**Business** Chad Phillips

**Counseling & Disability** Morgan Bryant

**Christian Studies** Burn Page

**Chemistry & Biochemistry**

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**Communications** Ryan Capell, Reid Vance

**Education** Merleen Ivey

**English** David Miller, April Carter

**History** Tricia Nelson

**Kinesiology** Carol Barnes, Suzanne McDonough

**Mathematics** Daniel Watson

**Modern Languages** Beth Stapleton

**Music** Michael Rushing

**Nursing** Jill Mayo,

**Physicians Assistant** Terresa Graham

**Psychology & Counseling** Katherine Heard

**Sociology** Laurie Lawson

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For a listing of liaisons and other helpful MCMoodle information, visit the [MCMoodle website here](#).