

# SaaS Plus and Advantage Deployment Options for Blackboard Learn

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## Information

Blackboard is pleased to announce the launch of SaaS Plus and Advantage deployment options for Blackboard Learn! These two new SaaS offerings, combined with the SaaS Standard offering that was made available in 2014, provide Learn customers and prospects a choice of three SaaS deployment tiers to address their different needs.

SaaS Plus and Advantage provide important benefits in addition to those provided by the SaaS Standard tier. These benefits include:

- Full Building Block Support – SaaS Plus and Advantage customers can install Building Blocks on their system, including custom and homegrown integrations.
- Flexible Deployment Option – SaaS Plus and Advantage customers who choose this option will receive maintenance and security fixes on the Continuous Delivery cycle, but changes to the platform such as new features and feature enhancements are deferred. The customer can choose to apply the deferred updates either once or twice per year, providing more time for change management activities and testing of mission critical customizations and integrations.
- Direct Data Access – The equivalent of OpenDB for Self- and Managed-Hosting customers. SaaS Advantage customers have access to reporting data through Direct Data Access. SaaS Plus customers can purchase Direct Data Access at an additional cost.
- Learning Insight Solution Support – The SaaS Plus and Advantage tiers support all of the Learning Solutions, including the Learning Insight Solution that contains additional advanced Analytics and Outcomes Assessment functionality not supported by the SaaS Standard tier.

It is important to note that the SaaS Plus and Advantage deployments for Blackboard Learn are currently only available for Higher Education institutions in North America. We plan to make these offerings available for K12, Professional Education and International institutions in the near future.

If you have any questions, please contact your Account Executive or open a case with Blackboard Client Support on Behind the Blackboard.

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## Related Links and Resources

For additional information, please see the following page on Blackboard Help:

- [Learn SaaS Plus and Advantage Options](#)

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**Summary**

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