



The Office of the NYS Comptroller Approves SUNY Contract with D2L

Special Update

I am very pleased to share the good news that the Office of the NYS Comptroller (OSC) has approved SUNY's Contract with D2L! We received the official word from OSC on Friday, 9/24/21, the final approval needed.

We are no longer in a restricted contract period—but do ask that everyone hold off on any public discussion until a joint announcement from SUNY and D2L is sent out to the media later this week.

Importantly, now that we have a signed contract in place, we can engage with D2L on next steps. Our planning for the transition to D2L's Brightspace learning management system and to a unified digital learning environment for all campuses can move into high gear.

We will begin work immediately with D2L and our implementation teams to update our project timeline, re-set cohort goals, and continue planning for a smooth transition in the best interest of your campuses—faculty, staff, and students.

As this approval came later than we had hoped, we will also continue to work with Blackboard should we need an additional contract vehicle for campuses unable to transition by our current contract expiration date in December 2022.

My thanks to Kim Scalzo, Interim Executive Director of Academic Technologies & Information Services; Harry Cargile, Manager of Application Services, SUNY Online; Israel Washington, who served as ATIS Manager of Technology Strategy & Integration; Katie Usher, who served as Project Manager, Michele Feathers, Director of System-wide Procurement; Blaine Miller in SUNY Counsel's Office; and, all involved in accurately and successfully navigating a complex contract process. And my thanks to all these individuals and the many campus and System staff who have been consistently working on our internal planning efforts.

And finally, my thanks to all of you who have helped us to keep the communication channels open within SUNY, who have been asking questions and sending in suggestions to help in the internal planning efforts. We look forward soon to being able to provide the details on timing that you need. Stay tuned and continue to visit [DLE.suny.edu](https://dle.suny.edu) for updates.

**We Welcome Your Questions
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Thank you for reading and for your engagement in this important process.