Using the Polling Feature Wizard Quick Reference Guide

The Polling feature allows you to poll your participants at any time using one of four different types of polls: Yes/No, Multiple-Choice (A-C, A-D or A-E), and Class Pace. You can use Polling to obtain quick responses to verbal or written questions. The poll type can be changed as many times as needed during a session. The Yes/No poll type is the default. By saving the Whiteboard, anonymous polling results can be saved and reviewed later in or out of a Blackboard Collaborate session.

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To Poll Participants

1. From the Tools menu, select **Polling**, select **Type** and select the type of poll you wish to use. Or select Polling from the Global Options menu. The default is Yes/No.

2. Present the polling question to the Participants verbally or on the Whiteboard.

3. Instruct the Participants to respond using the available response options. The options are located in the Participants panel. Click the **Polling Response Menu** and click the desired response.

Viewing and Clearing Polling Results

While conducting a Poll, the Moderator will see the results tabulated under the Polling Response Menu. To delete the responses, click the **Clear** button.
Hide and Show Responses

Determine if you wish to show or hide the polling responses from the participants by selecting or deselecting **Make Responses Visible** from the Tools > Polling menu.

![Polling menu showing Make Responses Visible selected]

Locking Responses

The Moderator can choose to lock the polling responses to prevent Participants from changing their answer. Select **Lock Responses** from Tools > Polling.

![Polling menu showing Lock Responses selected]

Publishing Responses to the Whiteboard

Publishing the responses places a graphical representation of the results on the Whiteboard.

![Polling menu showing Publish Statistics to Whiteboard selected]

Tips

- Use Polling to break up the session and engage Participants.
- Use the Whiteboard to present your Polling question along with the responses.
- Hide the Polling results from your Participants until they have responded to ensure honest feedback. Reveal the results only after everyone has responded.
- If the Polling results were shown to the Participants they will also be shown in the recording. Hidden results are not recorded.