What’s New?
Here are the new features most relevent to CRC users:

- **Content** - [Smart Table of Contents Panel](#)
- **Content** - [External Links Automatically Open in a New Window](#)
- **Content** - Inline View rtf Files
- **Discussion** - [No More Grid View](#)
- **Discussion** - [Rank Post Shows Cumulative Score](#)
- **Quizzes** - [Questions Now on Properties Tab Not Standalone](#)
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- **Quizzes** - [Submission Views Can Be Set to Expire](#)
- **Dropbox** - [Evaluate Without Submission](#) (student still cannot submit without attaching a file)

When is it Happening?

The LRCCD Desire 2 Learn server will be down on these dates to update the system to 10.3

**MAY 29** and **MAY 30**
External Links Automatically Open in a New Window - Improvements were made to support for external links. External links automatically open in a new tab or window, as well as a placeholder page within Content.
No More Grid View - 10.3 introduces a new Discussions List which further enforces the notion of “focus on the conversation, no the overhead”.

The new discussions list presents information about your topics in a compact and easy-to-scan format.

For courses with a very large number of forums and topics, there is now a “Hide All Topics” option which allows you to hide all the topics in your course so you only need show those topics you care about.
Rank Post Shows Cumulative Score - The Learning Environment now includes updates to how Discussions uses ratings. The most visible update is that now you can set ratings on a per-topic basis, rather than for the entire course (see ex. 01).

10.3 also introduces two new rating schemes for discussions based on voting (in addition to the existing 5-star rating scheme). The first new scheme allows the class to vote postes up and down, giving each post a cumulative score (see ex. 02).

The second new rating scheme allows the class to only vote posts up as a way to show agreement or approval (see ex. 03).
Quizzes

In 10.3 Quizzes has undergone usability improvements in the tab structure and the contents within tabs to make creation and management of the most important and commonly-used information in the initial tabs.

Grade Information on Assessment Tab Not Properties - All information related to quiz assessment such as associated Grade Items, Rubrics, and Attempts are now combined into a new Assessment tab. (see ex. 01)

Questions Now on Properties Tab Not Standalone - The Add/edit questions option is no longer within it’s own tab at the end of the list, it is now accessed from within the first tab “Properties”. (see ex. 02)
Submission Views Can Be Set to Expire - Previously, quiz submission views, had a starting availability date and time that ended at a defined date and time. As a result, students submitting their quizzes at different times would have unequal access duration to the quiz’s submission view. However, in version 10.3, when you want to create the same limited availability of the quiz submission view for all students, you can set a length of time in minutes the view is available in the Limited Duration area, and the starting availability now begins at time of an individual’s submission.
Evaluate Without Submission (student still cannot submit without attaching a file) - It is now possible to evaluate a student from the Dropbox even if no submission was made to the dropbox folder. This supports the cases in which an instructor wants to assign a student a comment and a grade after the due date has passed, or the submission occurs outside of the Learning Environment.