Clickers

Summary

Clickers are handheld devices that allow for instant feedback for polling/responding to questions posed to a class. The most common brand of clickers used at HGTC are those from Turning Technologies, which has devoted great effort to accessibility.

Accessibility Problems

- clicker feedback is generally represented visually on a projection screen using a computer application. Feedback will need to be delivered in an alternate format for students with vision impairment.
- clickers without raised buttons are difficult/near impossible for students with vision impairment to manipulate.
- even when students with disabilities can manipulate clickers they may need extended time beyond the parameters of a regular activity, limiting the equity of classwide polling or testing.

Accessibility Features

- clickers that feature raised buttons can be used by students with vision impairment after those students have been oriented to the layout of the clicker.
- ResponsWare partners with Turning Technologies to provide an alternative way to participate in clicker activities for those unable to manipulate the clicker's buttons.