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BigBlueButton is like-Zoom for online classes but at a much lower cost and is white-labelled. In addition, you can

- √ Take online classes in HD Video
- ✓ Integrate with Moodle
- ✓ Stream classes on YouTube
- ✓ Download Attendance & Recordings

Start Today with a Free Trial

BigBlueButton as a SaaS Solution

Your online classes get better on our managed BigBlueButton servers with fewer outage and better quality:

- ✓ Powerful servers: We use 8 CPU Core, 16 GB bare metal server
- ✓ Low latency: Servers, located closer to your users, provide low network latency
- ✓ Optimized installation: We optimize each server for better audio and video quality
- ✓ Real-fast real-person tech support: We are available 18x6 on email and WhatsApp group to promptly troubleshoot and help you with any technical issues.

BigBlueButton Additional Features

Streaming

- √ Stream your classes to 1000s of students
- √ Either stream on YouTube/Facebook or integrate streaming into your app

Analytics

- ✓ View attendance, chat and poll from the class
- ✓ Download analytics data locally
- √ View playback and download MP4 recordings

Integration

- ✓ Integrate with Moodle
- ✓ API end-points to start and join classes from your app

Why We are the Best BigBlueButton Provider

We have published a number of BigBlueButton open-source plugins for the community

- 1. <u>BBB-MP4</u>: Convert your BigBlueButton recordings into MP4 videos.
- 2. BBB-Streaming: Live stream your BigBlueButton classes on Youtube, Facebook, Vimeo
- 3. BBB-Optimize: Multiple optimizations including better audio, fix 1007/1020 errors etc
- 4. BBB-Twilio: Integrate Twilio into BigBlueButton
- 5. BBB-Jamboard: Integrate Google Jamboard
- 6. <u>BBB-Recording-Server</u>: Process BigBlueButton recordings on a separate server



Case Study: Using BigBlueButton after Covid

Chris Hermann, Test-prep & Tutoring, Great Britain [Originally Published]

I am not sure if this will be of interest, but I too do maths tutoring - in the UK. I spent ages looking for a really good VC system a couple of years before covid as a means of covering sessions during bad weather and holidays. I looked at all the offerings - I can't even recall the various options - but I looked in depth at about 7 providers and software settling on BBB about 18 months before Covid hit. I tell you this as background for the following ...

Nothing but nothing comes close to BBB for educational use, and every time I have to use Zoom I hate it - it is awful. How it got so popular is beyond me but there it is.

BBB is REALLY not a good idea for self install if you are not strongly technically inclined. I spent 20 years in the IT industry before going back to my maths roots - and it was never an easy thing to install. Worse still is that upgrading cane be a pain too. Its not the base install - it is getting a reliable working TURN server that snafu'd me very time. Then there is the time required to keep up-to-date with all the upgrades, improvements etc - and with the whole increased issues surrounding security issues these days that has become almost a full time distraction from tutoring.

About 2 years ago I started using HigherEdLab.com to provide the BBB service. I can''t recommend them enough. I literally had to make one change to my working BBB installation to link my existing frontend to their servers - it just worked. Since then I have returned my server to my physical control - I just prefer to have everything in my physical control - but I still use HigherEdLab.com as a support contractor. They now manage any upgrade processes and as part of that agreement they give me access to their TURN server. For me it is the perfect compromise.

Now Covid has pretty much passed as an issue - not one of my tutees has even requested a return to 'in person' sessions, although I suspect I have lost a couple of new prospects because I am not doing so. On the plus side I have picked up tutees from referrals from existing and past tutees from family members or friends scatters about. One is ~ a 500 mile round trip away and the other a 2 hour flight (Greece as it happens). So on balance no real losses. I am not going back to pre covid working thanks to BBB.

I am sure once you get used to BBB there is no way you would ever go back to Zoom.

As a final comment - I want to thank the BBB devs - you guys are just awesome doing this project. I tell everyone who has even the slightest interest in VC systems they should look at this ... hopefully they listen.

Commercial Proposal

The table below shows the pricing plan based on the number of concurrent users.

Concurrent Users	Serervs	Cost
50	1 Shared BBB Server	\$12 per month [Lite plan]
100	1 Shared BBB Server	\$24 per month [Lite plan]
200	1 Shared BBB Server with more recording	\$72 per month [Advanced plan]
250	1 Dedicated BBB server	\$120 per month [Premium plan]
500	2 Dedicated BBB server + 1 Scalelite server	\$280 per month [Premium plan]
1000	4 Dedicated BBB server + 1 Scalelite server	\$520 per month [Premium plan]
Streaming to 1000 users	1 Dedicated BBB server + 1 streaming server	\$160 per month [Premium plan + add-on]

The costs above are exclusive of 18% GST and any bank transfer or currency conversion charges.

You can upgrade, downgrade, or cancel your subscription with a 30 day notice. No contracts, no hidden charges.

Storage for recordings would be charged at \$20 per month per TB.

More information about plans: https://higheredlab.com/pricing/