

Vision 6 Pointer tools

Benefit: Focus student attention on a part of the screen to emphasize it to viewers.

Ways Pointer can show emphasis

- **Point to**—use a laser, arrow, checkmark, “x”, or exclamation to point to what is important
- **Magnify**—select a location on the screen to enlarge
- **Circle**—add a border around items that you want to stand out, even using transparent color
- **Highlight**—choose an area of text to emphasize with a highlighting effect
- **Label**—add text, write with a pen tool, or number a sequence of Pointer actions

Getting Started

The Vision system automatically loads when you log onto the instructor station. You do *not* need to connect to your Vision classroom if you are *only* using Pointer and not other Vision features.

To use the Pointer tools:

Option A: Move your mouse to the top of the screen to pop up the Vision shortcut menu bar. Click on the Pointer icon on the far right top to open the Pointer shortcut bar (shown below).



The Pointer toolbar shown below appears when you roll your cursor over the Pointer toolbar.



Option A view

Option B: Hover over the tool icons in the bottom taskbar on your screen to identify the Pointer icon. (You might need to click the << arrows on the taskbar display more.) Right-click on the Pointer icon to open the Pointer tool list shown on the right. Option B’s list view is handy because it displays tool names also.



Option B view

Choose a Tool to Emphasize Content on Your Screen

Left-click on the tool that you want to use.

Left-click (or left-click and drag) on the screen where you want the effect. If you need to modify its shape or size, right-clicking and dragging works for many tools, but not all.

Double click on a tool if you want to repeatedly use the tool. Exit the Repeat Mode with one right click or left-click back on the graphic in the shortcut bar.

Erase effects by clicking the Erase All tool (erase selection does not seem to work well.)

If you connect to your Vision classroom, you can use Demo to show your screen, with Pointer tool emphasis included, on your student screens.

Try the tools to identify a few you would like to use with your class. Keep it simple.

List of Pointer tools available

Arrows left, up, down, or right

Highlighter

Pen

Text

Transparent rectangle

Rectangle outlined

Oval outlined

Filled rectangle

Transparent rectangle

Filled oval

Transparent oval

Transparent oval with border

Erase selection

Erase all

Numbering

Move objects

Oval spotlight (moveable)

Laser

Cover

Freeze screen

Zoom

Rectangle magnified (useful to help read web addresses on the screen when fonts are too small)

Oval magnified (same advantage as above)

Snap (take an image)

Cross or X

Exclamation Mark