Using Kaltura for Gradable Assignments in Blackboard

Kaltura media can be used for Blackboard assignments that receive grades in multiple ways. Any standard discussion board, blog, wiki, or journal that you might already use for assignments will give students access to the WYSIWYG toolbar. From there students can create webcam records, screencasts, or upload local media, and access their *My Media* repository.

Students can add or create media as a Mashup anywhere in Blackboard where the WYSIWYG toolbar appears.

Inserting into a content item using the WYSIWYG toolbar gives you all the same tools as with all Kaltura media. You can upload or create content from within the content item with the *Add New* button or search and select from *My Media*. (Students do not have access to the Faculty Repository.)
This allows you to add or create media within a content item almost anywhere in Blackboard and add other text, images, links, etc. around it. This could be especially useful for discussion boards or blogs where you want students to submit multimedia content and also be able to view and comment on other students media.

Blogs, journals, wikis, and discussion boards will always have their own column in grade center, so asking students to use video and multimedia content is no different than adding text. Be sure you provide them with the adequate tools and training to use the Kaltura mashup button on the toolbar, and keep in mind that not all students may have access to the same equipment such as webcams and headsets.

Blogs, journals, discussion boards, and wikis in Blackboard generally contain content that the whole class can see, as opposed to an assignment where only the instructor sees the student submission. Kaltura media can also be used for private assignments like an SEA.

When the student clicks on an assignment link, they will see a button for Write Submission.

Clicking on that button will reveal the Blackboard WYSIWYG toolbar (the same as in discussion boards, blogs, and journals.) The Mashups button is in the third row on the toolbar, just as with other content areas.
However, the toolbar might appear to the student as a single row of buttons, with the other rows hidden. They will need to press the double-down arrow to the right to reveal all the buttons.

When they press the Mashups button they will be able to add Kaltura Media to the assignment right from the My Media Library or create or upload new media.

A thumbnail will appear in the assignment, and they will be able to add other text or information for the instructor, if needed. Press the submit button at the bottom and the assignment will be sent to the instructor just as with an attached written paper, PowerPoint, etc.
The instructor will see the video embedded right into the assignment for easy grading and feedback.

Video and multimedia assignments can be graded in Grade Center just like a paper or any other student submission. The grading and feedback here is private between the instructor and the student.

Just as with discussion boards and other Blackboard assignments, be mindful that not all students will have access to webcams, headsets, etc. and you may want to consider offering alternative submission options as opposed to only video and multimedia assignments.