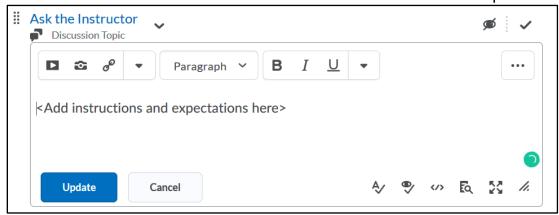
Making Ask the Instructor Discussion Visible

An **Ask the Instructor** discussion board is embedded in all course shells within the **Start Here** module. This forum is a great way for students to "raise their hand" within the online environment. Questions asked in this forum are visible to the entire class. It is best practice to remind students of the public nature of this forum before they post private information here.

This forum is hidden and must be enabled by the instructor. To make it visible:

- 1. Go to your **D2L course shell**.
- 2. Go to **Start Here** and find the **Ask the Instructor** item.
- 3. Click on the text that reads <Add instructions and expectations here>. This will open the HTML editor. Use this area to add your instructions and expectations to the discussion. Remind students they will need to click the Start a New Thread button to add a question.



Click the **Update** button when you've finished editing.

4. Next, click on the **Hidden** (crossed out eye) icon.



5. Move the slider to the right.



6. The Discussion Topic will now be Visible to students.

