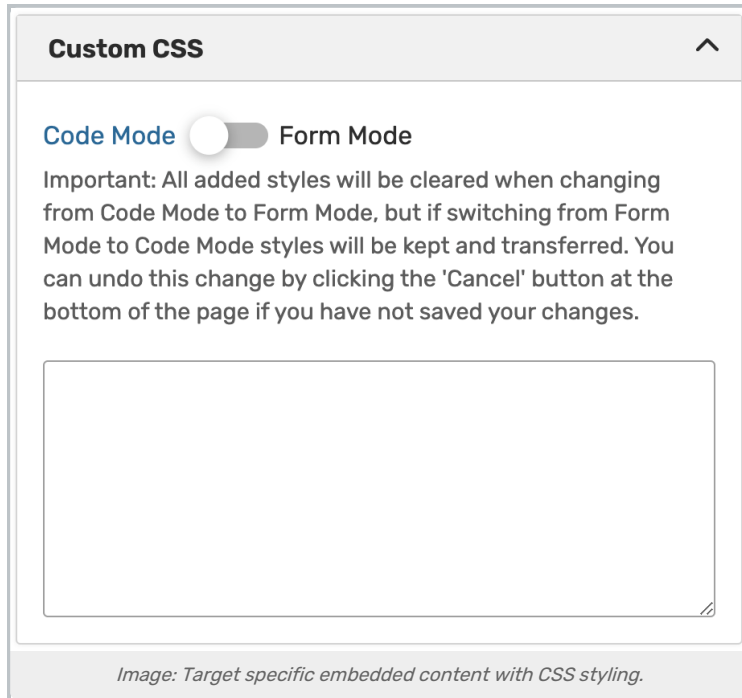# Customizing Embedded Content Styles

25Live provides two methods to customize the look of your embedded content to match the fonts and colors to your institution's website. You can add the plain text CSS code as you complete the config fields. And, some content types offer a form mode that will help generate CSS for you after you.

Adding Custom CSS Text

Custom CSS ∧

Code Mode ⬤ Form Mode

Important: All added styles will be cleared when changing from Code Mode to Form Mode, but if switching from Form Mode to Code Mode styles will be kept and transferred. You can undo this change by clicking the 'Cancel' button at the bottom of the page if you have not saved your changes.

Image: Target specific embedded content with CSS styling.

You can enter **Custom CSS** styles to apply to your embedded content as you complete the config fields. You need to know how to write CSS code and know the fonts, colors, and other style information that you would like to use. While this method is very technical, it offers the highest level of customization.

See Best Practices: Customizing Embedded 25Live Content Using CSS for common examples and some of the CSS style names you can use.

Using the Form Mode CSS Generator With Form Mode

⚠ **Warning: Using Form Mode May Remove Typed CSS**

Use of Form Mode may clear any CSS you've typed into the Custom CSS field. Please back up your code before using.

Custom CSS ⌃

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Add Custom Font

Body
These styles will be applied to the body element of the page.

Font Color:

Font Family:

Font Size:

Background Color:

Padding:

Event
These styles will apply to all events in the list. This is a good place to define a common font that will be used for all text besides the group date, event name, and labels, which you can specify below.

Image: Toggle the Form Mode to use the CSS generator. (Event Details List content type example)

A feature is available to help you create your CSS code more easily, **Form Mode**. This simplified interface allows you to enter simple values in a form that 25Live will turn into CSS syntax you can copy and paste into your page. Simply enter the colors, font families (using quoted names as you would when writing CSS code), and other values. Tab or click into fields to see helpful tips.

Toggle back to **Code Mode** to view your generated CSS.

⚠ *Be Careful:* Form Mode can only be toggled back to Code Mode once for the same values. When you go back to Form Mode again, your current CSS code will be cleared.
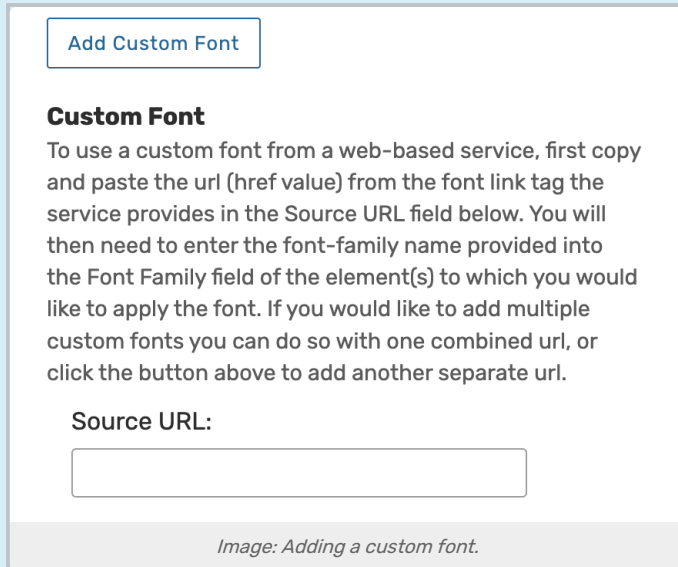
Form Mode is available for:

- Event Details List

- Calendar (and Event Forms spawned from the calendar)
- Event Form
- Express Scheduling
- Availability Views

ℹ **Importing Custom Fonts**

You can use custom fonts with the CSS generator by clicking the **Add Custom Font** button in Form Mode. Paste the URL for your desired font into the Source URL text box.

Add Custom Font

Custom Font

To use a custom font from a web-based service, first copy and paste the url (href value) from the font link tag the service provides in the Source URL field below. You will then need to enter the font-family name provided into the Font Family field of the element(s) to which you would like to apply the font. If you would like to add multiple custom fonts you can do so with one combined url, or click the button above to add another separate url.

Source URL:

Image: Adding a custom font.

Feedback and Examples

If you create a CSS theme you like, please share it with CollegeNET! We would love to expand the examples we have on the Best Practices: Customizing Embedded 25Live Content Using CSS page as well as add a gallery for other users to see.