Tips & Best Practices for Teachers

PowerGistics Charging Station Launch

Goals

- 100% successful student management!
- Each student is assigned their own device and unique charging shelf/slot.
 - a. When students know it's their device, they treat it with more care.
 - b. Opportunity to teach ownership, accountability, and responsibility.
 - c. Quickly identify who caused intentional device damage (keys picked off, for example)
- An efficient, enjoyable, and quick device return and retrieval EVERY time. :)

Setup Tips

- 1 Make sure the cables have just enough cable to reach the chromebook charging port, no more.
- Make sure the pinch point cable management is secured.





Location

- 1 Place the charging stations in different areas of the classroom at a height accessible to students.
 - a. Avoid traffic jams around one central location
 - b. This saves time, reduces dropped devices, and limits opportunities to get off task
 - c. Consider giving the different stations fun names, like elephant and cheetah, for example.
- Plug the charging stations directly into the wall. Do not plug into another power strip or extension cord. Do not plug a PowerGistics charging station into the same wall outlet as a non-PowerGistics charging station. Safety!

Assigning Devices and Shelves

- 1 Label the device with the students name using an easy to remove adhesive label.
- Consider labeling the device with the same color label as their shelf assignment, such as the Avery 5472 easy to remove circle stickers.
- Assign students a number with corresponding color. Make a master list matching students to their number and color shelf assignment. Resource: Printables for all shelf orientations found here: https://powergistics.com/resources-for-teachers/







Using the Shelves

- 1 Keep the same shelf assignments all year. If a new student is added, don't rearrange the entire list, assign an open shelf.
- 2 For young students, consider labeling the shelf with their name or picture too.
- Use the shelves to store devices when not being used, regardless if they need a charge. This reduces device damage at the desk.



Using the Colors

- 1 Colors + Numbers help students remember their shelf better.
- Send students by color group to collect and return devices. Red group first, green group second, etc.
- Collaborative groups ask red group to work with blue group, etc. Assign groups by numbers, too.
- If a device is not returned, quickly identify which student's device is missing by the color/number assignment

Training for Students

3 Rules to Avoid Damage to Devices

- 1 Always use two hands when carrying, collecting, and returning your device.
- DO hold the charging port head when unplugging and plugging back in.
- Oo NOT pull the charging port by the cable when unplugging.

