

Classroom Management Tips

Wireless Laptop Lab

1. Technology Pledge – post in your room
2. Use the buddy system.
 - a. When a student asks you for help, have a student “resident expert” help.
 - b. If working on a project and one group is done first, give them the instructions to the next step. When the second group is done, the first group teaches them, and so on. This is great reinforcement for the students, as well as, frees up the teacher’s time to oversee the entire class.
3. Three before me:
 - 1 Try to problem solve 3 different ways.
 - 2 Ask 2 other classmates to help problem solve.
 - 3 You may ask the teacher.
4. The cup system...

Set of Solo cups in the following colors:

Green: Everything is going fine.

Yellow: I need help - come when you can.

Pink/Red: I am stuck - my computer is frozen - come now!
5. Keep a “traditional” desk or two ready for anyone who may need to learn without technology.
6. When you want students’ attention say, “Standby mode in three, two, and one”. By that time they all have their laptop lid closed and looking at the teacher. To bring the computer back from stand by mode, the student will need to press Ctrl, Alt, and Delete and enter their password.
7. Another one is "Hands on your heads in 5, 4, 3, 2, 1." This is used when their attention is needed for a short period of time.
8. Make copies of the Student Guidelines sheet and have students initial each item and/or sign the bottom.