

HiveSchool Application



A connected learning application for the modern classroom

HiveSchool is a connected learning application that enhances teachers' use of modern classroom technology to let them provide an engaging, collaborative and effective learning experience. It also lets teachers monitor student activity and keep students on task which results in an effective, and thereby more productive classroom experience. With its comprehensive feature set and intuitive user experience, it requires only a very short learning curve for teachers and students.

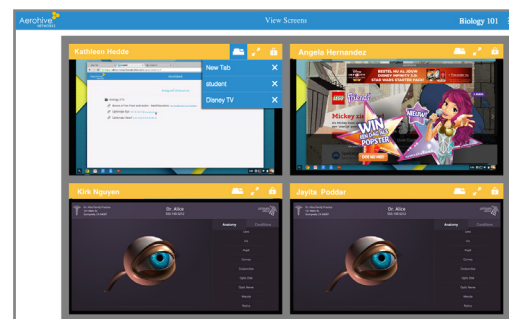
Key Functionality and Benefits

Presenting teaching content to the class

HiveSchool lets teachers present digital content to students directly on their laptops. In other words, the students view the screen of the teacher's laptop as they progress through the lecture. Thanks to the Follow-Me feature, the teacher can ensure that students only view the intended materials and not view other content. This keeps them focused and on task. The teacher can also have the class follow a designated student which enables students to learn from each other, and creates a collaborative learning experience that is desired in the modern classroom.

Monitoring student activity and keeping them on-task

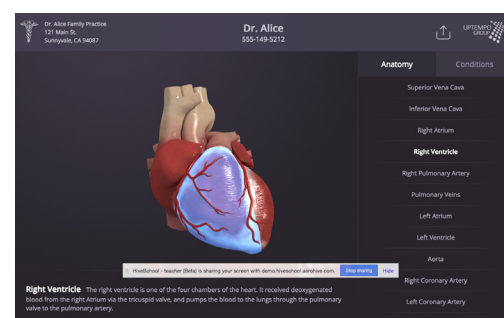
Teachers can view student screens in real time, directly from their computer. That way, they can track their progress for assigned tasks and make sure that students do not engage in other activities. If they do however, the teacher has several options to get students back on task: they can remotely close browser tabs, or whitelist a resource so it is the only item students can access. The control features are supported on Chromebooks it is the only item students can access. The control features are supported on Chromebooks.



Live view of student screens

Flexible assignment of teaching resources

Teachers can assign resources to the class. HiveSchool supports a broad range of formats including documents, webpages, applications and video clips. Resources can be modified as needed, to accommodate student progress through the curriculum. The flexible resource management gives teachers the means to support the evolving needs of the class through the school year.



Sharing teaching content

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Easy onboarding of the class

HiveSchool interfaces with Google Apps Domain and leverages teachers' and students' Apps Domain credentials to create classes and sign students into the class. The visual, intuitive class roster is populated as students join the class. Once all are present, the teacher can lock the class, and the roster will persist through the school year.

Deployment and Management

HiveSchool is a Chrome extension, and will work on laptops that have a full Chrome browser installed. The extension can be pushed to student and teacher computers by IT, and can be pre-installed on Chromebooks via the Chromebook Management Console. For class on-boarding, HiveSchool leverages existing Google Apps Domain credentials for teachers and students. As a result, the deployment and management of HiveSchool is simplified. It also leverages existing software infrastructure and is agnostic to the underlying network equipment - no incremental software and hardware investment is needed.



Visual, intuitive class dashboard

Application Features and Requirement

HiveSchool is a Chrome Browser Extension

Key Features:

- Classroom management: create a class, automatic and manual onboarding of students, lock/unlock class, end class
- Collaboration features: content sharing from the teacher's computer or from an assigned student's computer
- Control features (on Chromebooks): remote closing of browser tabs on student computers, locking students into an assigned resource (focus mode), closing of open tabs on student login, locking of single student or entire class
- Teaching resource management: Selecting and saving teaching resources, assigning resources to class, focus mode on a single resource

Availability: March 2016

Supported computing platforms:

- Chromebooks (recommended), Macbooks or Windows computers
- Control features of student computers are supported on Chromebooks

Prerequisites:

- Chrome browser installed on student and teacher computers
- HiveSchool requires Google Apps Domain

Supported languages:

- English
- French
- German
- Italian
- Spanish
- Dutch
- Swedish
- Chinese