Inspiring Spaces Energize ACTIVE LEARNING

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DESIGN EFFECTIVE WORK AREAS TO

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PROACTIVE EDUCATORS
Providing individual and group areas for educators and staff members encourages the sharing of creative ideas, while also promoting down-time from the hectic classroom. By designing various work space options, teachers can also practice collaboration and different learning structures in their own administrative space!

**Technology integration** plays a powerful role in today’s learning environments. While it is vital to encourage adaptability in the classroom, it is also important for educators to take time to re-charge. From global news updates to educational articles, researching the latest and greatest ideas is best done while relaxing in a lounge chair.

Ask any teacher and they will probably tell you that one very important tool in any administration area is storage space. Creating dual-purpose storage by adding a worksurface top saves space and provides a touch-down surface for quick meetings. With a variety of ways to organize, storage units also function as a convenient space divider.
On the concept of ‘flipped learning’, university staff members and learning experts deduced this approach to result in a “dynamic, interactive learning environment”. Educators create flexible spaces where students choose when and where they learn.”

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“Learning environments should be easily changeable and quickly adaptable” says Patrick Glenn, AIA.*

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To encourage evolving teaching styles, select versatile furniture that allows instructors to increase flexibility in the 21st century classroom.
When it comes to multi-purpose areas, it is important to designate areas for a wide variety of tasks. Group work and individual task work should all be accounted for. Storage or modular units are a great way to divide space. The bookcases and tables in the Keep it Organized line (C) provide various seating options while also doubling as space dividers. A low activity table can nest within the curve of the cafe height table, and lounge pouf units fit perfectly opposite the seated height table.

Seating Options

Selecting a variety chairs and stools within a collaborative area can boost individual student development. Interactive environments should provide a workable space allowing students and staff to take a quiet seat by the window to study or an active Just for Fun balancing stool (E) at a meeting table for group work.
Flexible furniture is perfect for multi-use spaces and encourages social interactions and spontaneous learning opportunities. **Face to Face** post-leg tables (D) are adjustable height and provide numerous layout options for groups and individuals. Select a funky top shape that can be re-arranged for various types of work, or choose a traditional rectangle with a minimal footprint.

- **Multi-Purpose Stacking Chair** (TAB)
- **Soft Seating Units** (Chameleon Lounge)
- **Curved Bookcases and Tables** (KIO)
- **Adjustable Height Post Leg Tables** (F2F)
- **Balancing Stools** (J4F)
- **Student Chairs** (BFF Series)
A flipped learning approach directs the classroom from traditional instruction to a dynamic, interactive space where the educator can guide students on an individual level, and engage subject matter creatively.*

*Flipped Learning Network (FLN)

“The demand for a better learning environment is here.”
- Janet Selser, Architect

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MULTI-PURPOSE COMPONENTS THAT ARE MODULAR ENHANCE EFFECTIVE LEARNING STRATEGY
PRIVATE OFFICES REQUIRE A BALANCE OF STORAGE, MEETING SPACE AND

ERGONOMIC COMFORT

WITH ADJUSTABLE STATIONS AND TASK SEATING.

Inspiration can happen at any time. Design spaces that embrace spontaneity.
Plan for an evolving environment.