



Student Center—High School

The Need for Student Centers

The student center gives high schoolers ownership over their educational space, with a dedicated place they can freely use for study, group projects or socialization. Whether it's implemented in a large area such as a classroom or a smaller area such as an unused corner of your library, part of a hallway, or tucked away under a stairwell, the student center should feature flexible, comfortable furnishings that students can move and arrange into configurations as needed.

Requirements for a Great Student Center

For **students**, the student center should feature comfortable seating and workspaces that can be used individually and effortlessly moved into groups when needed. Easy access to outlets or charging ports ensures student devices remain charged and ready for use. An informal gathering place equipped with soft seating encourages students to spend more time in the student center.

For **teachers**, the student center includes flexible furniture and comfortable seating to encourage students to spend more time there. Collaborative furniture should be flexible and easy to move so the student center can be used for group work or projects.

Administrators require a student center that's furnished in a way that accomplishes the vision for the space as well as encourages students to use the space. All products must be available when needed and orders must arrive correctly and on time.

Student Center Solutions from School Outfitters

The School Outfitters team designed a student center with furnishings that encourage students to both use and appreciate the space. The **Group Project Area**, **Informal Gathering Area**, and **Tech-Enabled/Power Area** are designed to work together to create an environment that accommodates independent and collaborative work, socialization and technology use.

The **Group Project Area** gives students their own space to meet for group projects or to prepare before a presentation. This area includes the following:

- **Pedestal tables**
- **Collaborative tables**
- **Stools**
- **Soft seating**

Pedestal tables offer a spacious work area for students to spread out projects or study material during collaborative work. Stool- and chair-height options allow students to choose the space that's most comfortable to them. Their lightweight design makes it easy to move them into groups when needed.

Collaborative tables feature spacious work surfaces that are still compact enough to allow team members to reach the materials that they need for their activities. The table shapes are designed to let all students see each other, giving everyone an equal opportunity to participate. Thick tabletops withstand heavy use, and laminate surfaces clean easily.

Stools are compatible with the stool-height pedestal tables and offer a better vantage point to see around the room. Students can also extend their legs fully while still maintaining an upright posture to increase blood flow and stretch the muscles.

Soft seating works great with chair-height pedestal tables or arranged by itself for brainstorming or collaboration. Padded seats keep students comfortable for long periods of sitting, and a lightweight design makes it easy to pick up and move as needed.

An **Informal Gathering Area** encourages students to spend more time in your student center, socializing with friends between classes or after school. This area is also an ideal space for after-school clubs to meet. This area includes:

- **Soft seating**

Soft seating is lightweight and easy to move, so students can quickly arrange themselves into groups as needed. Soft padding keeps users comfortable.

The **Tech-Enabled/Power Area** accommodates technology use by incorporating furniture with wire management systems or built-in outlets for charging devices. Furnishings in this area include:

- **Power-enabled chairs/sofas**
- **Power-enabled table**

Powered-enabled chairs/sofas ensure student devices stay charged and ready for use. Soft, comfortable lounge seating encourages students to use the center for study sessions, homework or group project work.

A **power-enabled table** gives students an additional place to charge devices as well as a work surface that's perfect for spreading out books, papers or other study materials.

Choosing Your Student Center Solution

School Outfitters makes it simple to outfit a great student center. Choose the option that best fits your budget and needs and get an itemized quote with just one click including all of our specially-designed stations. Our helpful representatives are happy to answer any questions about our stations and how you can put them to use in your student center. Just give us a call 1-800-260-2776.