



Classroom furniture to support teacher retention

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The right school furniture inspires collaboration, enhances comfort, and creates a stress-free classroom environment. It’s also a key factor to support teacher retention.

Design ideal spaces where your teachers can thrive with the help of our free guide. Inside, you’ll find:

- Key drivers of teacher turnover in 2024
- What educators want and value most in their roles
- Classroom furnishings for a positive workplace

See what district leaders do today to reduce workplace stress and improve job satisfaction.

Your school is not alone in teacher retention challenges

As you face today’s toughest recruiting and retention challenges, we can help.

In July 2024, Statista reported that roughly 62,000 teachers and educational staff quit their jobs.

Recruiting.com shared stats from the National Education Association suggesting that approximately 50% of new teachers will leave the profession within their first five years of teaching.

In April 2024, Pew found that only 33% of K-12 teachers were “highly satisfied” with their roles. Another 52% said they would not advise a “young person to become a teacher.”

Teachers experience burnout at higher rates than any other profession in the U.S. Burnout can be caused by a number of factors.

Heavy workload

Teachers are expected to personalize learning for students with different learning styles while also managing time and resources.

Student behavior

Teachers are reporting a rise in student misbehavior and mental health challenges.

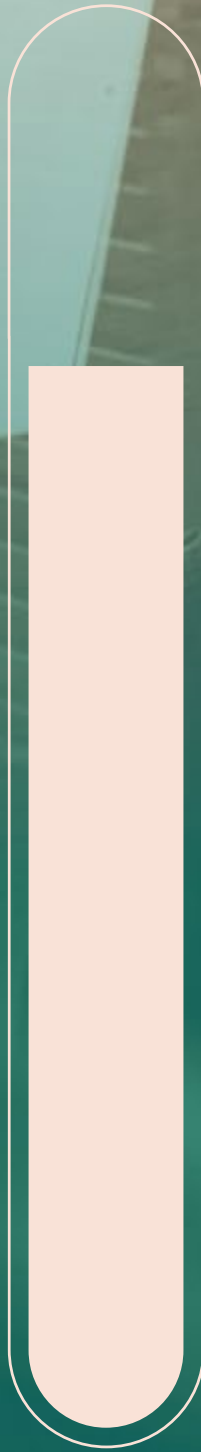
Powerlessness

Teachers may feel powerless and cynical about their ability to do their job effectively.

Strengthen their classroom confidence

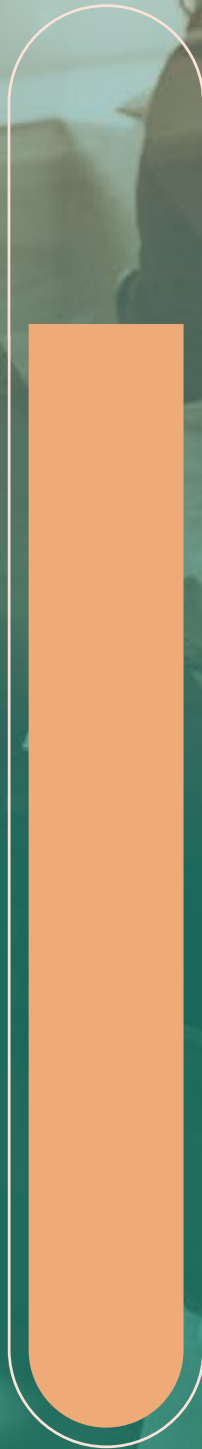
According to the responses in our **Seen & Heard: 2024 Voice of Educators Survey**, teachers said the following furnishings were “very important” to create a classroom that supports their teaching style.

- 74% Space to collaborate with students
- 62% Spaces that can be transformed quickly for group work or other activities
- 57% Technology integration for audio and visual learning
- 52% Chairs that support physical movement and fidgeting
- 51% Adequate storage
- 44% Inclusivity for mental and physical differences
- 44% Demonstration spaces
- 42% Adjustable height desks and tables
- 37% Whiteboard surfaces on tables and desks
- 36% Soft seating, floor seating



76%

of English Teachers
Spaces that can be transformed quickly
for group work or other activities.



79%

of Elementary School Teachers
Space to collaborate with students

We asked, teachers answered.

See what teachers also said they value most when it comes to job satisfaction.

- 54% New, comfortable teacher desks and chairs
- 53% Flexible, mobile, and collaborative teaching spaces
- 47% Technology availability and integration
- 42% Space for me to work alone and/or recharge
- 36% Space to collaborate with peers
- 18% Space to meet with parents



Design comfortable and flexible teacher spaces

Well-designed teacher lounges provide spaces for relaxation and recharging.



Collaborative planning spaces support peer interaction and team building.



Ergonomic furniture can support teacher wellness and reduce physical strain.



Enhance your classroom environments for effective teaching

Flexible seating and furniture arrangements can promote diverse teaching styles.



Customizable furniture allows teachers to create their ideal learning spaces.



The right furniture can streamline classroom management and improve focus.





Prioritize ergonomics and health with innovative furnishings

Give your teachers the benefits of flexible furniture for reduced fatigue, better ergonomics, and improved productivity in the classroom.



Create a sense of community and belonging with furniture

Provide your educators with comfortable spaces for collaboration, communication, and meetings. Classroom furniture can play a big role in providing healthy and comfortable workspaces.



Furniture to support professional development

Support your educators with multipurpose rooms and technology, conducive for training and professional development.



Create a safe and supportive staff environment

Prioritize student and staff safety with furniture that reduces stress, provides socio-emotional support, and has safety features.

Cost-effective strategies for implementing new furniture

**School Outfitters can help. Big results often start small,
with one new teacher's chair.**

Talk to us to find...

- Budget-aligned furniture that supports your retention efforts.
- Proven room designs to support educators in their roles.
- Phased furniture upgrades that focus on high-impact areas first (teacher lounges, classrooms.)

We're here to help support your teacher retention efforts

Start browsing these innovative furniture products and **get your free quote.** Together, we can help you outfit your work environments and learning spaces in ways that support your teacher retention strategies.



**Talk to a furniture expert about products
to support teacher retention.**

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About School Outfitters

School Outfitters is on a mission to help students, teachers, and administrators Experience Positive wherever learning takes place. The company's belief in people—that everyone deserves a chance to be themselves, to be seen, heard, and to realize their potential—translates into a relentless quest to do better and be better. As a result, School Outfitters' innovation in creating flexible learning spaces has won the repeat business of 97% of America's top 1,000 school districts.

Founded in 1998 and voted as a Cincinnati Top Workplace for 12 consecutive years, School Outfitters is 100% employee owned and operated. The company offers a broad range of flexible furnishings, collaborative arrangements, and technology integrations, delivered through more than 150 product lines, including exclusive distribution of Learniture, Norwood, Sprogs, and Egghead. To join the more than 30,000 customers who have chosen School Outfitters to Experience Positive, visit www.schooloutfitters.com.

