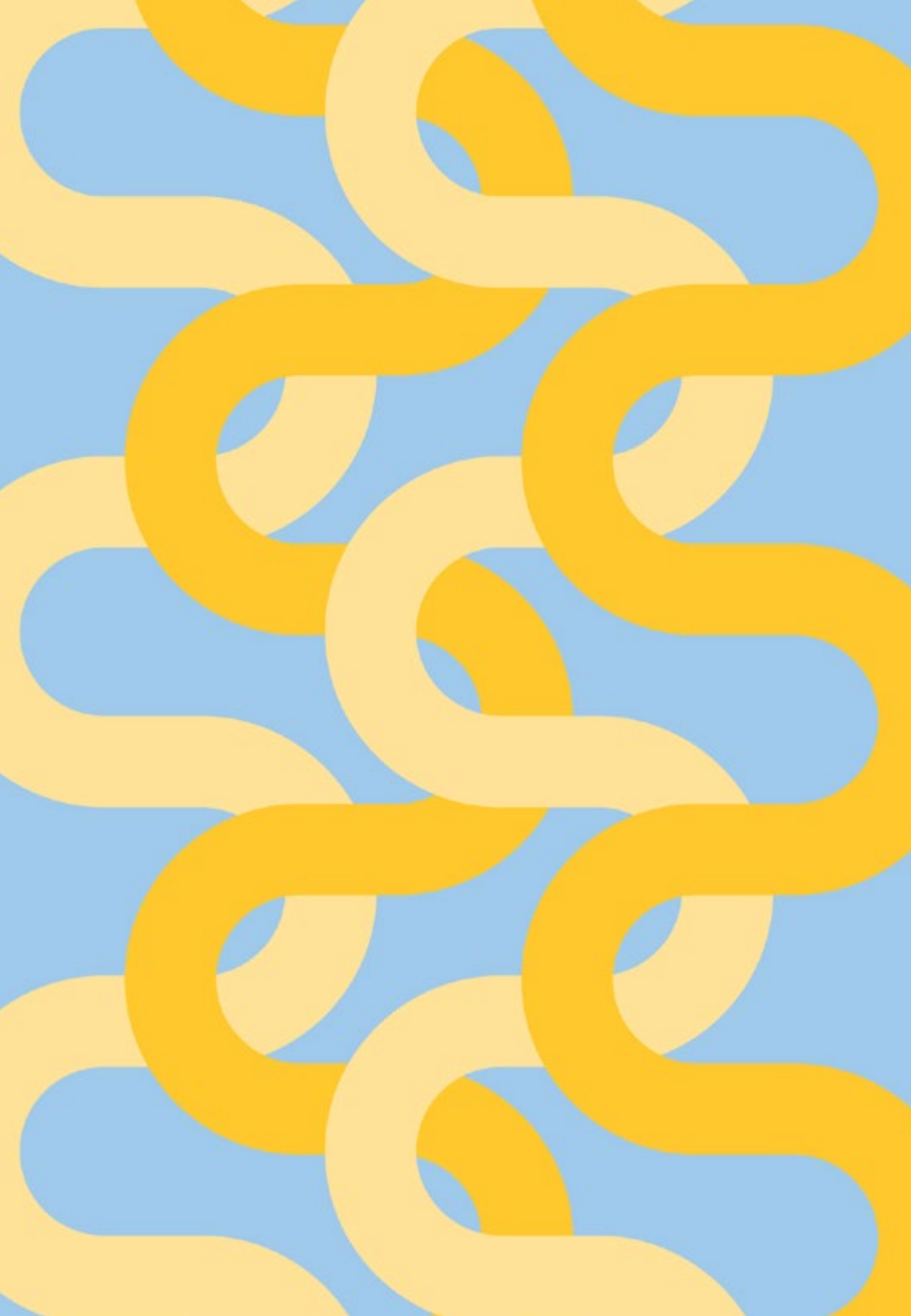




How to Outfit Your New Charter School

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Did you know?

There are currently more than 8,000 public charter schools and campuses nationwide, with 3.7 million students enrolled.

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Tips to maximize your charter school's learning spaces

New charter schools that leverage flexible, innovative, and mobile furniture options bring students dynamic learning experiences. Discover how to outfit your new charter school's learning spaces to enhance student outcomes.

In this guide, you'll learn how to:

1. Furnish your rented building or classrooms
2. Outfit learning spaces shared with other tenants
3. Accommodate diverse students with inclusive furnishings
4. Create learning spaces in environments not designed for education

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Find rental friendly furnishings

Use non-mounted equipment

Leverage moveable equipment, like mobile marker boards and monitors. Use portable signage and stanchions to manage traffic flow in and out of buildings, between classes, or in lunch lines.



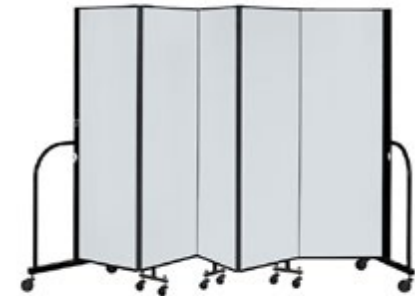
Embrace mobile furnishings

Consider replacing built-in furnishings, like wall cabinets, with movable options, such as mobile storage units or countertops.



Create space with dividers

Embrace mobile room dividers or acoustic panels to provide closed-group instruction and create private learning spaces as needed.



2

Be mindful of other tenants

Section off dining areas

Explore ways to separate students from other tenants in common cafeteria areas or food courts with flexible signage and room dividers. Or create dining areas in learning spaces.

Take learning outdoors

Create temporary outdoor classrooms for extra space. Lightweight plastic desks and chairs are ideal for this, along with roll-out mobile storage units with bins.

Specify entries and exits

Manage specific student and teacher entry/exit points with flexible signage and stanchions.

3

Adapt to spaces not designed for education

Maximize multipurpose space

Maximize the use of space for multiple purposes. For example, a cafeteria can serve as a multipurpose area for assemblies, presentations, or group activities.

Keep room designs flexible

This allows teachers and students to easily pick up and move seating, materials and equipment as needed. Consider rolling storage units or mobile teacher's desks in classrooms.

Invest in powered furnishings

Chairs and desks with built-in outlets and USB ports, or rolling power towers, allow students and teachers to continuously use devices in more spaces.

Did you know?

A 2022 study found that flexible seating positively impacts academic performance, particularly in mathematics.

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Accommodate student diversity

Explore blended learning opportunities

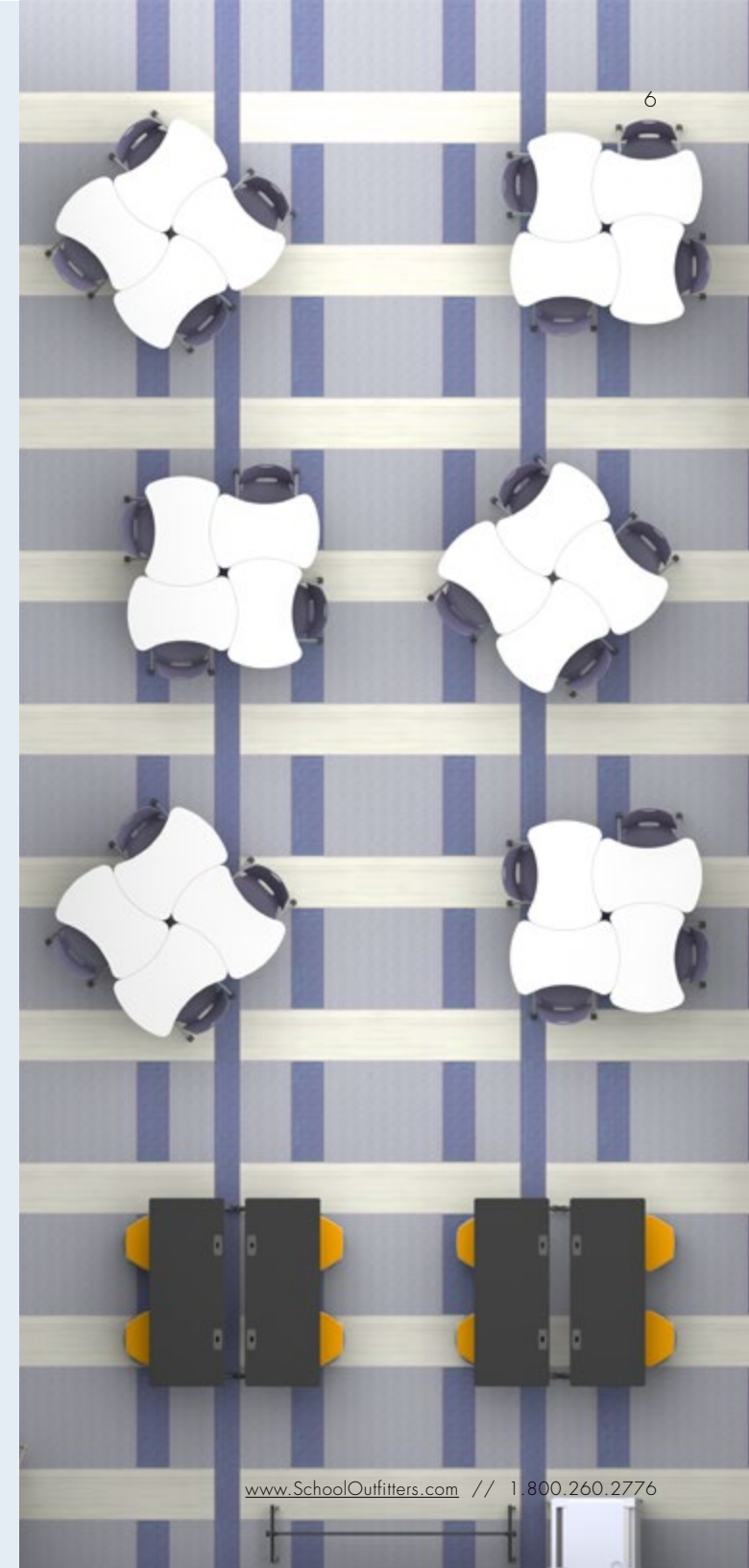
Computer tables or power-enabled furnishings in the classroom allow students to charge and use devices to better absorb lesson content (e.g., closed captions, translation software.)

Create tech-friendly common spaces

Tech centers in libraries or common areas provide space to help ESL students improve their English comprehension. Power-enabled furnishings in lobbies, entryways, or hallways provide students with access to power no matter where they are.

Outfit collaboration areas

Cafeteria booths, activity tables, or collaborative desks provide space for diverse or ESL students to work with mentors or tutors. These same areas allow all students to socialize, immersing ESL students in English conversation.



Charter-school-friendly room designs

Charter schools require room designs that are flexible and innovative because of their unique properties. Explore [flexible room designs](#) that work well in rented spaces, in spaces shared with tenants or even in environments not specifically designed for education.

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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.

