

Study Carrels Buying Guide



Study carrels, also known as library carrels, are individual workspaces designed to cut down on distractions and give users privacy while in public areas. Useful for testing, studying or doing other work, there is a variety of study carrels available to choose from. Here is a quick overview of the key differences between each type of carrel desk.

School Outfitters Tips



For study carrels that will be used with computers, make sure you choose a model that includes wire management options such as grommets or modesty panels.



Some carrel desks feature shelves or drawers for extra storage. This is helpful if students will be working on projects or assignments in these spaces.



Starter study carrels have three walls and can stand alone. Adder carrels are more affordable, but have only two walls and must be connected to a starter carrel or another adder unit.



Consider your space before choosing study carrels. Some carrels take up less room than others, while some are built to be large, permanent fixtures to support frequent use.

Study Carrel Types



Wooden Study Carrels

Library carrels made of wood are the most popular option for learning spaces. These carrel desks are durable and sturdy, making them ideal for designated study areas or as school computer workstations. The thick wood cuts down on both noise and visual distractions while giving students plenty of space for their books, tablets and other supplies. Choose from classic wood finishes or more modern laminate-topped styles and complement any space with ease.

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Tabletop Study Carrels

Providing students with individual study carrels is simple with tabletop options. At a moment's notice, tabletop study carrels can be set up on any flat surface. Using student cardboard study carrels allows you to effortlessly transform classrooms to accommodate testing and other individual tasks without having to completely rearrange furniture. Lightweight and able to be compactly stored, tabletop study carrels are a convenient addition to libraries, classrooms and other learning environments.

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Modular Study Carrels

Modern study carrels often need to be versatile enough to change with growing class sizes and tech updates. With modular study carrels, it's easy to add or remove parts to adapt to these changes. Designed to be connected to multiple carrels, adder units can be combined with starter units at a more affordable price than individual study carrels. Ideal for creating long runs of computer testing carrels, these customizable workstations support busy libraries and schools.

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Double-Sided Study Carrels

For learning environments with limited space, double-sided study carrels are a convenient solution. Featuring the same benefits of individual units, each of these carrel desks offer students plenty of space and privacy for testing or other schoolwork in a compact form. Double-sided study carrels work well in flexible learning environments where designated study areas provide students with an opportunity to focus on assignments.

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Adjustable-Height Study Carrels

Adjustable-height study carrels are the best way to ensure that every student is accommodated in your learning spaces. These sturdy carrels can be raised or lowered quickly by adjusting the legs, making them ideal for new students or for use in areas where a variety of students come to study. Most styles of library carrels offer optional adjustable legs. Adjustable-height study carrels are also ADA compliant so whether you need a single study desk or carrel desks for multiple students, you can be sure to support every student's educational needs.

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