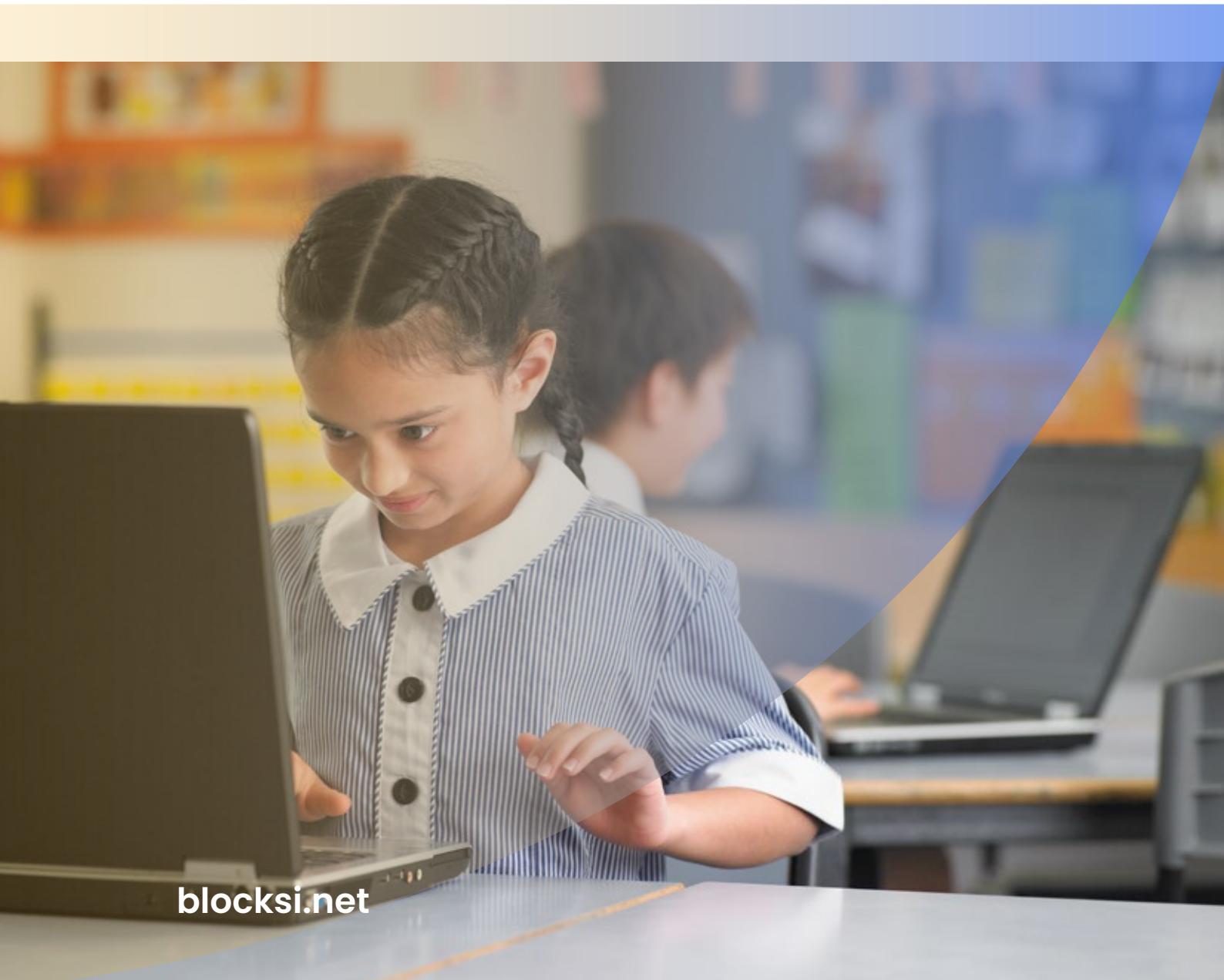




Empowered Learning:
Mastering
Classroom Management with
Screen Monitoring
and Beyond





Introduction:

The Importance of Efficient Classroom Management

Children are naturally full of curiosity and may occasionally find it challenging to stay focused. This can pose difficulties during school lessons, making it crucial to create a distraction-free environment for effective classroom management. So, how can we approach and minimize these distractions?

While some teachers opt to react to disturbances in the classroom, the most successful course of action is to be proactive and take measures to prevent disruptions before they happen. Indeed, there will always be some disturbances, but proper classroom management can optimize preventing or optimally handling them if they occur.

Because students tend to multitask and divert their attention elsewhere, using tools to minimize in-classroom distractions is essential. Imagine handing out virtual assignments and then trying to manage an entire classroom of students. Instead of working on their assignments, they are freely roaming the internet. By using effective classroom screen monitoring, you can efficiently observe and monitor student activity in the classroom. Let's explore this highly efficient strategy for helping our little learners thrive!



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Avoiding distractions can benefit your classroom environment whether you are a new teacher or have been teaching for years.



Effective teaching requires effective handling of distractions in the classroom.



Chapter 1:

Understanding Classroom Screen Monitoring

What is Classroom Screen Monitoring?

Classroom screen monitoring:

- supervises and tracks students' activities on their school devices
- can be done through various software programs or tools which provide real-time monitoring and reporting features
- helps educators stay on top of student progress and ensure the devices are used effectively for educational purposes

Classroom screen monitoring gives you in-time control and an overview of what each student is doing, which helps boost classroom productivity. With it, you can ensure that students concentrate 100% on their tasks and know exactly who is on the task at hand and who is distracted by something unrelated to class work.

And besides simply spotting off-task computer use, classroom screen monitoring also allows you to refocus students' attention when necessary. Once you spot unwanted web activity, you can close tabs on students' computers and enforce other content.

In-time viewing of student activities enables you a precise overview to:

- offer better student guidance and
- personalize students' learning environment.

Besides that, you can also keep an overview of their long-term progress and follow their attendance and:

- use the data for improving future curriculum,
- identify learning gaps and
- personalize learning.



Keeping students' attention on relevant tasks helps them retain essential knowledge that is necessary for their academic growth.

Sophisticated software, like Blocks!, connects in-time monitoring with the option of filtering content, K-12 threat detection, tracking students' progress over time – all with the goal of providing a unified platform for easier classroom management and student safety.



- **5 Reasons Why Classroom Screen Monitoring is Necessary**

#1: Protecting Students From Inappropriate Internet Content

First and foremost, software that allows screen monitoring supports content filtering, set by the teachers and admins, and constant insight into students' online activities.



dangerous and hateful content, such as violence, online threats, adult content, and cyberbullying.



useful learning material available to young learners.





#2: Ensuring Students' Focus and Engagement

Using sophisticated and advanced screen monitoring improves student engagement. Using relevant media connected to the curricula, students find it easier to learn and communicate.

Besides accessing students' real-time activities and managing their internet content for better student understanding, you can also ensure all students are included in the activities and encourage them to participate in a simpler manner.

#3: Protecting the Students From Cyberbullying and Other Online Threats

Another safety benefit of efficient screen monitoring is protecting students from cyberbullying, an online threat on the rise - considering worrying statistics, one we must tackle. By monitoring what students are saying online, you can help reduce instances of cyberbullying and intervene when necessary.

Monitoring students' computers also allows you to detect any potential issues with students' mental health. Additionally, that can be backed by AI detection, which is included in some of the more sophisticated classroom management software.

#4: In-Time Accessing Student Progress

Monitoring students' progress is essential for identifying any areas of confusion and difficulty students might be having. Screen monitoring software allows:

- in-time surveillance of students' progress
- collecting analytics to further improve pedagogy and
- keeping tabs on students' attendance.

Contrary to popular belief, Educational Technology (EdTech) enhances learning rather than distracts students. Not only does it eliminate distractions and betters students' focus, but it also serves as a means of more efficient knowledge impartment.

EdTech is a useful tool for ensuring students stay on track with their studies and that no one lags behind.



#5: Identifying Cheating and Plagiarizing

Cheating and plagiarism can pose a serious problem and must be tackled as such. One of the best methods for that is screen monitoring. By keeping an eye on students' screens and stopping them from accessing unapproved resources or taking shortcuts, you can restrain any cheating attempts and address them appropriately.

This ensures that:

- everyone is held to the same standards and
- the work that goes into their grades is done by the students themselves.





Benefits of Classroom Screen Monitoring

#1 Better Student Engagement and Productivity

Classroom screen monitoring can greatly affect students' productivity and engagement. You can get helpful insight into their learning by employing software to monitor students' screens.

You can:

- watch how they interact with given class materials,
- spot places where someone might need extra help, and
- create opportunities for engagement and interaction.

#2 Prevent Cheating and Academic Dishonesty

Besides using student screen monitoring software to see the content they are viewing, you can control what they can and cannot do on their devices in real-time. So you can decide what content they can use when being graded or handing in assignments.

#3 Better Student Outcomes

Using these technological tools, you can minimize distractions and, with it, improve the learning environment. With full control of students' online activities, you can be assured they stay on task and are not distracted by content unrelated to school material.

#4 Better Discipline

Keeping an eye on students' screens is also a way of establishing and maintaining efficient discipline. If someone is distracted by irrelevant content, you can close their tabs and enforce ones relevant to school work. Furthermore, you can establish discipline by setting filters and policies and deciding which content students can access and which has no place in the classroom.

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Blocks is one of the few (if not the only) software with user-friendly plagiarism and AI-generated content detector built into its Teacher Dashboard. So you can find out if students' work is really their own or copied - in a matter of some clicks.



#5 Early Identification of Learning Gaps

Student screen monitoring tools often include data analytics, with which you can track students' progress in real-time. This allows you to keep track of individual students' progress and to identify any learning gaps, so you know which students need extra support and which may need additional tasks.

And besides providing better-targeted support based on staying ahead of your students' learning, you can customize each student's learning experience.

#6 Better and Easier Classroom Management

In addition to having more efficient classroom management, lesson planning, and lesson execution, you are empowered by getting the technical support you need to work in a classroom full of students with their own devices.

#7 Teacher Empowerment

Modern teaching usually demands more mobility, and modern tools now allow you to move around the classroom and interact with your students simultaneously. By watching students' activities from portable devices, like laptops and tablets, you can stay on top of all classroom activities from any corner of the room.

#8 Fostering Digital Citizenship

Making internet use safer also promotes digital citizenship: teaching students to conduct themselves online morally and responsibly. Not only are they shielded from undesirable information, but students also pick up technological know-how for interacting safely and successfully online. This is helpful in their everyday lives and will benefit them later in their careers and personal lives.

Technology is here to stay, and the responsibility to use it in students' best interest is in educators' hands.

Make the best use of EdTech and skyrocket your teaching.



Chapter 2:

Implementing Classroom Screen Monitoring

Setting Up Classroom Screen Monitoring in Your School

Monitoring students' screens = more power for preventing students' academic dishonesty.

Classroom screen monitoring installation varies from application to application. Some may require downloading, but with tools like Blocksi, all you need to do is enable a Chrome extension on your browser, and you're ready to use the software.

You enable the extension on every device you want to monitor, and you can then view students' screens in real-time, act upon them, and choose exactly what they are or aren't allowed to access during the lesson. You can even view analytics on which sites they visited, what categories they visited most frequently, how many times they tried to visit them, and how long they stayed on that website.

Setting Up Classroom Screen Monitoring in Your School

When choosing the classroom screen monitoring tool, most fit for your school, you must consider many factors. Some of the questions you should consider are:

- Does the classroom monitoring tool offer flawless control of every student screen from any corner of the classroom?
- Is the tool integratable with the learning management systems you are using now?



***Skyrocket
your learning
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- Is it user-friendly and offers an interface every teacher will know how to use?
- Does the tool allow you to track student activities and progress both in-time and over-time?
- Does the tool also include content filtering and student safety tools that ensure the optimal K-12 learning environment?
- Does the tool comply with legal acts, such as Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA), and addresses privacy concerns, putting student safety and privacy first?

Blocksi's classroom management solution answers "yes" to every single question stated above. And add to it the benefits of the tool being cloud-based – it eliminates teachers and IT admins dealing with any hassle with maintenance and possible security risks. Not to mention the hyper-scalability, meaning tools work as efficiently if there are 20 or 20 thousand users.

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And one of the more important things is you pick a centralized unified solution, that also covers content filtering and online K-12 threat detection. Adding to flawless classroom screen monitoring, software such as Blocksi has advanced features that detect online threats, ensuring students are safe using the internet. And the content filtering solution allows you to control what students can access on their students' devices and what they cannot – depending on their age, current assignments, learning material, and so on.



Summary:

Empowering Teachers, **Engaging Students**

Overall, classroom screen monitoring has several advantages for both students and teachers. It is a tool that supports active learning, promotes engagement, and helps to ensure that each student receives the individualized attention they need to succeed. And then there's the benefit of guaranteeing fair grading and that all students are held to the same standards.

By using such technology, you can create a more effective learning environment for all. And when the students leave school grounds, parents can take control at home and ensure children are protected during any part of the day. But don't take our word for it; [reach out to us](#), and get insight into all the ways technology can enhance your classroom.





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Spark Curiosity.*

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