

**Mount Sinai College** 

## reinventing the classroom to match modern learning.

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As technology began to change classroom pedagogy, Mt Sinai College knew it needed to change its learning environments. The decision was made to trial an open-concept environment with flexible, fun furniture at the heart. The results have been outstanding.

The college was an early adopter of technology, integrating iPads into the classrooms back in 2011. It created a master plan to eventually convert all the learning spaces into open-concept, shared learning environments.

"It was really about the fact our classroom pedagogy was changing because of mobile devices and because of the way teachers are approaching teaching now – it's not like it used to be," said ICT & Primary Coordinator, Richard Prowse.

Two rooms were chosen to experiment with the new flexible learning environment. Both spaces had walls that could be moved to create one open space. Sandboxing the new space would then feed into the planning for the rest of the school.



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Teacher's Hubs free up floor space and teachers can move around more easily.



Cookie Pads allow students to get down low and work on the floor.



Variety is a must - mix soft and hard surfaces in the spaces.

"year 6 group teachers have really embraced the new space as it fits well with their project-based teaching model."

Richard Prowse, ICT & Primary Coordinator



Soft furnishings complement the more formal furnishings.



Variety in table height, shape and surface works well for this senior space.

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