Disability Services
Classroom Seating Arrangements

Borrowed from @thecalmclassroom on Instagram, here are 9 ways to arrange the tables or desks in your classroom and how they benefit both you and your students.

SMALL GROUP PODS

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in pairs & small groups
- great for centers & gallery walks

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SMALL GROUP U'S

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in small groups
- great for centers & gallery walks
- great for small-group instruction

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BANQUET SEATING

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in small groups
- great for centers & gallery walks
- encourages student-led discussion

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STADIUM SEATING

- quick access to all students
- easy for teacher to see students & vice-versa
- provides extra room at front of classroom for tech or community space

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DOUBLE HORSESHOE

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in pairs
- great for gallery walks
- encourages student-led discussion

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DOUBLE E

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in pairs
- great for gallery walks
- encourages student-led discussion

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SOCRATIC SEATING

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in pairs
- great for gallery walks
- encourages student-led discussion
- provides extra space in center for tech or community space

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CONFERENCE SEATING

- quick access to all students
- easy to work in pairs
- easy to work in groups
- encourages student-led discussion

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COMBINATION SEATING

- quick access to all students
- caters to diverse learners & activities
- solution for mismatched furniture
- solution for oddly-shaped rooms
- easy incorporation of flexible seating

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