

MASTER CONTROL PROGRAM (MCP) Teach-Timer and [T]est mode features

Teach-Timer feature:

Typing a number from 0 through 9 will activate (or add to) the minutes on the countdown timer.

To add more minutes (even while countdown is running), type another number from 0 through 9.

Another menu will appear below the countdown allowing you to continue.

Activate the timer with the [G]o command. [P]ause and [R]eset are self-explanatory.

Upon full reset, all evidence of the timer will disappear.

When 1 minute remains, a single "ping" sound will chime.

Upon completion, an ascending chime will echo (the 0:00 will disappear after 15 seconds).

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USAGE TIP: Disable the keyboard after you are satisfied the students have successfully begun the test.

USAGE TIP: Be cautious yet nonchalant when disabling the keyboard -- we don't want students knowing.

[T]est mode feature:

Typing the letter "T" puts the clock in STAAR testing mode with a silent running countdown of 240 minutes (4 hours).

This timer can be [P]aused and [R]eset as any other timer, so be cautious.

You should plan to disable the keyboard once it is clear students have begun testing, especially during STAAR testing.

Unlike the Teach-Timer mode, you will NOT hear the 1 minute "ping" NOR the completion chime.

USAGE TIP: When getting close to 1 minute remaining, walk over and type the letter "Z" to bring back all sounds.

Type the letter "T" to exit test mode. Sounds are restored automatically.

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