

Check-out & Lending Programs

During a time with blended learning you might consider developing a check-out program for your school's Sphero products. Below you'll find suggestions on how to provide Sphero products for students to check out for use at home on a temporary basis to support instructional activities.

How could this work?

- Keep it organized! Use Sphero storage containers, plastic containers, or backpacks.
- Make sure that Sphero and littleBits kits are clearly labeled. Consider adding a list of contents to each kit.
- Use Google Forms as a way for students to request kits.
- Consider using Google Sheets or Excel to keep track of student requests and equipment that is checked out.
- Think about having "drop off/pick up" hours that have been communicated to families in advance. A designated time and location can help with contactless pickup/drop off.
- Consider having students/families sign an agreement about caring for technology (many school districts already keep a technology form on file).
- Let kids have the kits long enough that they can explore and create, while also being sustainable for teachers managing pick up/drop off (1-2 weeks per student).
- Consider adding 1-2 line activity suggestions or laminated activity cards into your Sphero/littleBits kits and STEAM related books!

Family communication

- Create, print, and laminate a one pager that contains cleaning, sanitizing, and care instructions to include with Sphero products that are going home.
- Post care instructions on the school website or app.
- Consider including important links (Sphero Edu, activities) or even a QR code on the one pager, website, or app as well.



Power Pack Disassembling

BOLT Power Packs can be separated into individual BOLTs and BOLT charging cradles, allowing you to send individual robots home with students. BOLT has a clear, waterproof, scratch-resistant shell that is sealed and does not open which makes it ideal for checkout and lending programs.



Located at the base of each charging cradle inside the Power Pack is a thumb tab. Gently press down on the tab to release the charging cradle.



Gently remove the micro USB cord from the charging cradle before removing it from the Power Pack.



Be sure to set the micro USB cord back so that it doesn't fall underneath the cradle platform. Do not attempt to remove the micro USB cable from the Power Pack.



You will need additional micro USB cables and USB wall adapters for each charging cradle.

Showcasing student work

- Have students create and share programs in the Sphero Edu app.
- Have students record a video of their invention or program - consider using Flipgrid so that other students can comment on the video!
- Schedule a Google Meet or Zoom meeting so that students can show their work and receive feedback in real time.
- Have students write a "how to" guide for their invention or program. Place it somewhere where other students can view and use. For example, create a Google Site or place in Classroom.
- For older students, consider using social media platforms, such as Instagram, Tik Tok, or Snapchat to showcase their work!

1 Year Limited Warranty

Sphero warrants the Physical Product, and only the Physical Product, against defects in materials and workmanship under normal use for a period of 1 year from the date of retail purchase by the original purchaser. You also have the option to add an extended Spherocare warranty so you can explore, play, and learn with reckless abandon!

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