

## Verb™ at a glance

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Classrooms often get in the way of active learning. Instructors are introducing new pedagogies, mixing team projects and small group collaboration with lecture and group discussion all in the same time period, but classrooms aren't keeping up.

That's where Verb comes in. Verb is an integrated table-based ecosystem designed to support a full range of teaching and learning styles on demand.



### Why choose Verb™ ?

Verb is the result of a tremendous amount of research and data gathering. This research has driven our understanding of the need to focus on integrative active learning environments and we have a few key observations with subsequent insights that we want to highlight as part of the Verb story.

- **Observation 1:** Lecture mode is still prevalent, though declining as a percent of time in the classroom.
  - **Insight 1:** Cultivating student engagement requires a fundamental shift towards active dialogue and participation, which requires a change in the physical space.
- **Observation 2:** Team projects and group activities are increasing but existing table based classrooms aren't effectively transitioning from lecture to group modes. If it takes longer than a few minutes to reconfigure a room, it typically doesn't happen during a class period.
  - **Insight 2:** Classroom furniture must be mobile, versatile and offer simple seamless integration to support multi-modal teaching and learning styles.
- **Observation 3:** Existing collaborative tools are not adequate for today's classroom.
  - **Insight 3:** Collaborative tools should be scaled for personal use and made ubiquitously available for all to encourage participation and engagement.
- **Observation 4:** Furniture for instructors is not flexible enough to meet the needs of today's teaching methods.
  - **Insight 4:** Furniture must be simple and flexible in ways that matter, like encouraging perching and reducing the footprint at the front of the room.

### Key Features:

- Unique table shapes create better sightlines and enhance collaboration and are available in a variety of sizes to accommodate most classroom needs
- Tables are designed for mobility to easily accommodate shifts between modes of learning
- New access leg design maximizes the ability for a student to pull up to the end of the table without interference
- Personal sized whiteboard is dual sided and made of our e3 ceramicsteel material to provide years of durability in the classroom by preventing ghosting, scratching and denting
- Plastic docks and hooks on tables integrate with the whiteboards to provide quick collaborative display and onboard storage. The whiteboards can also be used with the docks as a privacy screen for test mode
- Instructor station supports multiple postures via a positionable lectern and accommodates different work modes with 3 distinct zones to support instruction, collaboration and concentrated work
- Steelcase warranty with elevated durability testing

\*\* Our environmental certifications are pending

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