

# MakerSpacing it Happen: If You Build It, They Will Come



## Tips to Help You Start a MakerSpace in Your School Library



### Study Up!

Learn all about the Maker Movement. Read *The Maker Playbook*, view websites, visit a local Makerspace, talk to experts and MAKE!



### Plan Your Space!

Determine the area(s) that will be used for MakerSpace. Are there spaces where noisy or messy projects are permitted? Is there space for collaboration?



### Show Me the Money!

Start early securing funding for materials. There are numerous grants available to help support your space. Solicit donations from school community members.



### Organization is Key!

Take the time to organize all materials in clearly labeled containers. Store supplies in a manner that is easy for students to access.



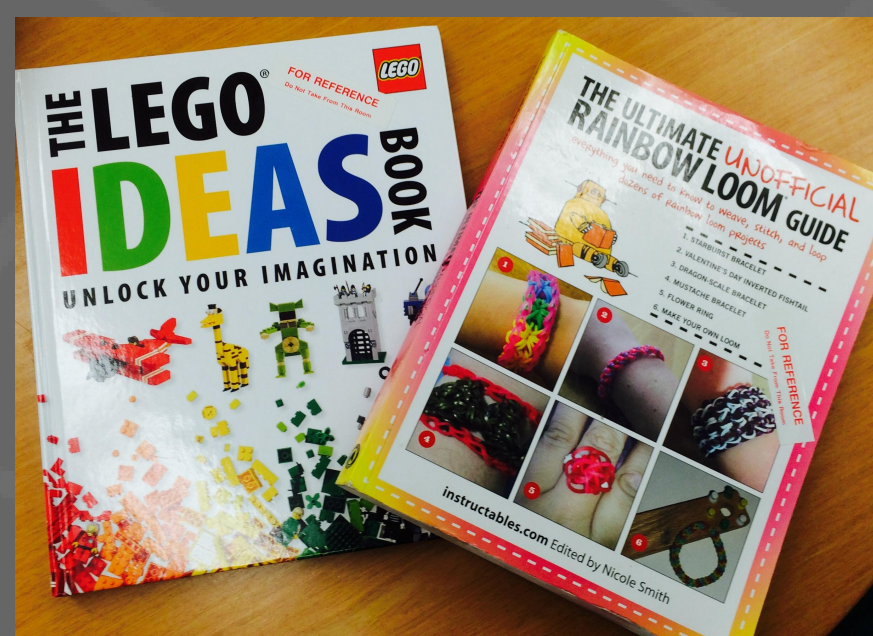
### Educate Makers!

Plan a thorough "Maker Orientation" for all students. Establish clear guidelines for makers, so they know what is expected of them (time limits, clean-up, asking for help, etc).



### Work Together!

Build a community of makers that work collaboratively. Makers can serve as "experts" and help one another. Bring in mentors from the community. Gather feedback from makers: What is working and what isn't?



Makers use books for ideas and share their work to inspire others.



Every supply has a home.

You can be sure to be a responsible **MAKER** by following our MakerSpace guidelines:

1. Make sure to get a **wristband** from your teacher.
2. Be **creative**, take **risks**, try **something new!**
3. Work **independently** or **with other makers**. Only ask for adult help in an emergency.
4. **Speak gently.**
5. When the timer rings, clean up...clean up...**CLEAN UP!** *With the great privilege of making comes the great responsibility of cleaning up.*
5. Keep the materials organized. **Return all materials** to where you got them from.
7. **Teach others** and/or share your learning!
8. Remember: Failure is part of the process. Do not give up! Tinker...adjust....and **try again!**

*Thank you for being a responsible Maker!*

Establish clear expectations.



Makers collaborate.



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