A Principled Technologies report: Hands-on testing. Real-world results.



Get faster Chromebooks[™] for your students' coding, collaboration, and multimedia work

An Intel[®] Celeron[®] N4020 processor-powered Chromebook completed instructional, coding, and multimedia tasks faster than a Chromebook with an AMD* A4-9120C processor as well as one with a MediaTek* 8173C processor^Δ

At Principled Technologies, we performed tasks in a variety of education, coding, and multimedia apps using three different Chromebooks:

- An Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook
- An AMD A4-9120C processor-powered Chromebook
- A MediaTek 8173C processor-powered Chromebook

We found that the Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook saved time during 12 tasks across eight different apps.^Δ

With folks teaching and learning from home to stay safe during the global pandemic, your choice of device has a significant impact on student success. Responsive Chromebooks can help students finish their tasks more quickly than slower devices that require longer wait times and may cause frustration.

[†]Compared to an AMD A4-9120C processor-powered HP Chromebook 11A G6 EE and a MediaTek 8173C processor-powered Lenovo[®] 100e Chromebook (2nd Gen)

 $^{\Delta}$ See the **science behind this report** for detailed system configurations and benchmark results.



When it comes to lesson planning, teachers need all the time they can get. Fast, responsive technologies can help teachers provide a great learning experience for students.

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In our tests, the Intel Celeron N4020 processorpowered Chromebook saved time opening presentations and exporting presentation videos in the popular classroom instruction app Explain Everything.^Δ

Save up to 1.1s opening a local presentation

with Explain Everything



Time (sec)

Figure 1: Opening a local presentation with Explain Everything. Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

Save up to 2.6 sec exporting a presentation video with Explain Everything



Time (sec)

Figure 2: Exporting a presentation video with Explain Everything. Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

Chromebook with an Intel Celeron N4020 processor

Chromebook with an AMD A4-9120C processor

Chromebook with a MediaTek 8173C processor

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In this report, text in light green sections represents fictional scenarios based on the results of our testing.

Chromebooks for creative and computer science projects

Hopper Middle School's new one-toone notebooks—Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebooks arrived early this year to great fanfare. Digital technologies teacher Kathleen Rucha is excited to see how the new Chromebooks will help the students with their first big spring project, which combines coding and art into a multimedia affair.

Ms. Rucha finalizes her class materials, exports a video presentation to post to the class website, and posts everything just in time for the first students to begin logging on for the day.

Explain Everything

Explain Everything is an interactive whiteboard app that lets teachers and students can collaborate in real time.¹ According to TechCrunch, the Los Angeles public school district installed it on 70,000 educational tablets. In 2014, the software could be found on 50 percent of all educational iPads in the UK.²

Online collaboration and multitasking

Now that students are learning from home, they rely on their devices to help them both finish assignments and get through class periods. Some classrooms are using Google Meet to conduct lessons outside of the classroom.

The Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook enabled us to preview a large PDF from Google Drive and to open a large .csv file in Google Sheets quickly—all while the Google Meet app was running simultaneously.

Save up to 1.8 sec previewing a large PDF from Google Drive while multitasking with Google Meet



Time (sec)

Figure 3: Previewing a large PDF from Google Drive while multitasking with Google Meet. Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.



Time (sec)

Figure 4: Opening a large CSV in Google Sheets while multitasking with Google Meet. Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

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Google Meet

Google has made their premium video conferencing product free and available to the general public. According to Google, the app is used in schools, governments, and companies worldwide.³

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Complete coding tasks in less time

Students who live rich extracurricular lives will greatly appreciate a device that enables them to finish work quickly so they can move onto the next thing. The Intel Celeron N4020 processorpowered Chromebook enabled us to complete coding tasks in two apps faster than the AMD A4-9120C processor-powered Chromebook or the MediaTek 8173C processor-powered Chromebook.^Δ



When all the students have logged onto Google Meet, Ms. Rucha explains the new assignment: The students will collaborate in groups to create simple apps to track healthy habits in each student's household.

The computer science class will also pair up with Ms. Rucha's multimedia class to create presentation videos to showcase the app and highlight each student's efforts to stay healthy while at home.

Save up to 1.7 sec opening the Switch Case Challenge with Trinket





Time (sec)

Figure 5: Opening the Switch Case Challenge with Trinket. Time (sec). Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

Save up to 3.0 sec opening the Java Editor with Repl.it



Time (sec)

Figure 6: Opening the Java Editor with Repl.it. Time (sec). Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

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Chromebook with an AMD A4-9120C processor
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Trinket

Trinket allows users to create, run, and share code from their device and browser of choice. The company offers free support for educators who wish to use the web application for classroom instruction.⁴

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Repl.it

Repl.it is an online programming environment that allows users to create applications, tools, and more all from within their browser.⁵ According to TechCrunch, Repl.it supports "virtually every programming language you can think of," and has over 200,000 active weekly users.⁶

Finish multimedia tasks in less time

Tasks in video and audio apps often consume a great deal of computing resources. For students and teachers who regularly perform such creative work, investing in an Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook could help them move through their tasks quickly.^Δ

Save up to 1.6 sec loading the design gallery

with Tinkercad



Time (sec)

Figure 7: Loading the design gallery with Tinkercad. Time (sec). Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

Save up to 10.5 sec opening the Retail Row model with Tinkercad



Time (sec)

Figure 8: Opening the Retail Row model with Tinkercad. Time (sec). Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.





Ms. Rucha's multimedia students are excited to work with the computer science kids on their healthy habits project. The creative apps they've learned to use, such as Tinkercad, Soundtrap, and WeVideo Video Editor, all run quickly, enabling the students to iterate on their video drafts frequently and with minimal hassle.



Tinkercad

Tinkercad is a browser-based program for computer-aided design.⁷ Common Sense Education[®] gave Tinkercad a 4 out of 5 star rating, enthusiastic about the app's pedagogical implications.⁸

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Save up to 132.9 sec rendering a video

with WeVideo



Time (sec)

Figure 9: Rendering a video with WeVideo. Time (sec). Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.

Save up to 20.5 sec merging tracks

with Soundtrap



Time (sec)

Figure 10: Merging tracks with Soundtrap. Time (sec). Lower is better. Source: Principled Technologies.



For example, when rendering a 1-minute video clip, the Chromebook powered by the Intel Celeron N4020 processor saved us more than 2 minutes compared to the Chromebook powered by the MediaTek 8173C processor and more than 25 seconds compared to the Chromebook powered by the AMD A4-9120C processor.[△]

WeVideo Video Editor

Featured on tech journalism sites such as TechCrunch, Wired, CNET, and more, the WeVideo Video Editor enables users to create "beautiful videos" and share them with the world.⁹ In February 2018, the Video Editor app earned the distinction of an Android Excellence App.¹⁰

Soundtrap

Soundtrap is a web application for creating digital audio creations such as music, podcasts, language studies, and more.¹¹ According to Soundtrap, more than 10,000 teachers worldwide trust their educational program.¹²

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Battery life

We used the CrXPRT 2 benchmark to measure the battery life for the three Chromebook systems in this study. In our tests, the Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook had a battery life of 12 hours, 40 minutes, which was longer than the 11 hour, 10 minute battery life of the AMD A4-9120C processor-powered Chromebook and the 11 hour, 50 minute battery life of the MediaTek 8173C processor-powered Chromebook.^Δ

The battery life of the Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook could enable students to take their work outside for some much-needed sunshine.

Up to 90 minutes longer battery life

using CrXPRT 2



Time (hr:min)

Figure 11: Battery life using the CrXPRT 2 benchmark. Time (hr:min). Higher is better. Source: Principled Technologies.



Some of Ms. Rucha's students take their devices outdoors to record videos of their families exercising in their yards for their videos. Even though some of the students haven't charged their devices all day, the long battery life of the Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook enables them to record without a care.

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Conclusion

The pandemic has changed a lot about the way we teach and learn, but the fundamentals are still the same: students need access to tools that will help them achieve academic success. In our tests, an Intel Celeron N4020 processor-powered Chromebook completed tasks in several education apps (including Google Meet) faster than the AMD A4-9120C processor-powered Chromebook and the MediaTek 8173C processor-powered Chromebook.^Δ

For more information, visit https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/education/right-device/chromebooks-for-education.html.

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enabled them to explore new concepts for the

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