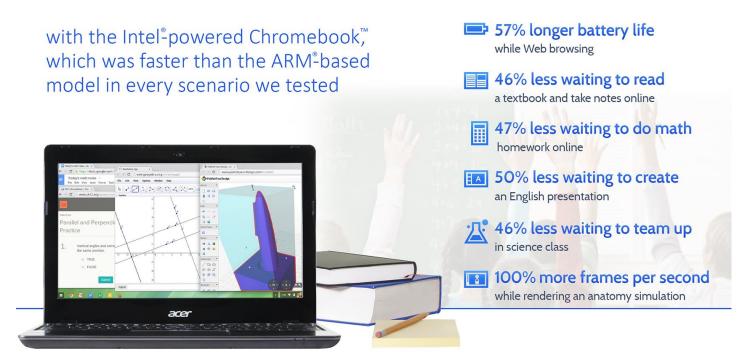
# CHROMEBOOKS IN THE CLASSROOM: A COMPARISON

# Spend less time waiting, more time learning



Today's students want fast, responsive electronic devices with long battery life—if the device they use to do school work takes too long to load something and forces them to constantly worry about battery life, it can be hard to keep them focused and engaged. They want to pick up their device, get going right away, and move from one thing to another quickly and easily. Teachers want this, too—the less time their students spend waiting for their devices to open an app or document, the sooner they can start learning and the more likely they are to be engaged and stay engaged instead of distracted or frustrated.

As more Chromebook<sup>™</sup> models enter the market, it's becoming harder for schools to choose the right one. We put on our student hats, and put two Chromebooks through scenarios that included tasks such as watching a TED-Ed video and taking notes. We also looked at how long the two Chromebooks could keep running without a charge and how many frames per second they could deliver rendering an anatomy simulation.

Which Chromebook is the better choice? We found that only the Intel<sup>®</sup> processor-powered Chromebook aced the test, lasting over 57 percent longer unplugged than the ARM processor-based model and also delivering up to 50 percent less waiting in four student scenarios and twice as many frames per second while rendering an anatomy simulation. With the Intel processor-powered Chromebook, students spend less time waiting and more time learning.



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### LESS WAITING AND MORE LEARNING WITH THE RIGHT CHROMEBOOK

As more Chromebook models enter the market, it becomes more difficult for schools to choose the model that is best for learning. We looked at two available Chromebooks, one with an Intel processor and one with an ARM processor, by putting them through a series of tasks that real students would perform regularly while learning. We also looked at how long each Chromebook could keep going without a charge while lightly browsing the Internet and how many frames per second each Chromebook could deliver while rendering an anatomy simulation. For more on how we tested, see <u>Appendix B</u>. For detailed results, see <u>Appendix C</u>.

We chose two systems that were as comparable as possible, and these systems share the same display size and the same amount of memory and storage. In addition to the processor, they differ in battery size, as the Intel processor-powered Chromebook has a 3-cell rather than a 2-cell battery. For more on the representative systems, see <u>Appendix A</u>.

### **BATTERY LIFE WHILE BROWSING**

Battery life is important—who wants to worry about outlets and charging stations? We found that the Intel processor-powered Chromebook lasted 57 percent longer than the ARM processor-based Chromebook while lightly browsing the Internet—an additional 4 hours and 5 minutes without a charge (see Figure 1).

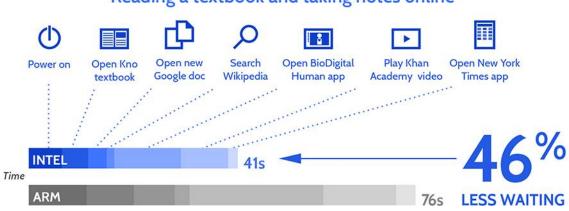


#### **57% LONGER BATTERY LIFE**

Figure 1: The amount of the time the two Chromebooks lasted unplugged while lightly browsing the Internet.

### **READING A TEXTBOOK AND TAKING NOTES ONLINE**

Mateo opens his Chromebook and powers it on to do some homework. He opens Chrome<sup>™</sup> and goes to his Kno<sup>™</sup> online textbook, and then opens a new document in Google Docs to take notes. He reads and takes notes for a while, and then comes upon something he doesn't know, so he searches Wikipedia for it. Then he goes back to reading his textbook and taking notes. He opens the BioDigital Human<sup>™</sup> app to work with a 3D model. When he reaches a stopping point, he plays a Khan Academy video his teacher shared with the class. Toward the end of the video, Mateo remembers something a friend told him about earlier in the day, so he opens the New York Times app to read about it.



Reading a textbook and taking notes online

Figure 2: The amount of time spent waiting by the two Chromebooks in seven tasks when reading a textbook and taking notes online.

Mateo wouldn't want to wait 13 seconds longer for the BioDigital Human app to open on the ARM processor-based Chromebook. As Figure 2 shows, the Intel processor-powered Chromebook required 46 percent less waiting than the ARM processor-based Chromebook. This means that if Mateo were using the Intel processor-powered Chromebook, he would spend only about half as much time waiting on his Chromebook. Instead of waiting longer for his system to turn on, he could be up and running and on his way to reading his biology textbook. Mateo wouldn't want to wait 13 seconds longer for the BioDigital Human app to open on the ARM processor-based Chromebook.

### **DOING MATH HOMEWORK ONLINE**

Madison gets home from school and turns on her Chromebook to do her math homework. She opens the GeoGebra app and then opens her math notes that she has saved in a Google Docs document. She also opens the Design Something app to work with a 3D model. To prepare for her test the next day, she opens the CK-12 Parallel and Perpendicular Lines assessment. Then, Madison takes a break to watch a TED-Ed video her friend sent her.

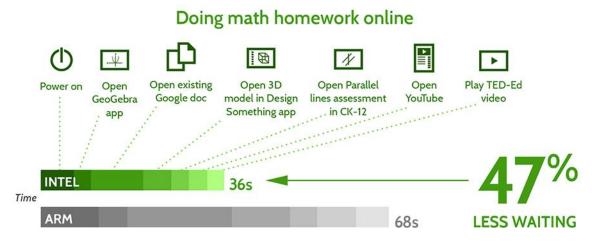


Figure 3: The amount of time spent waiting by the two Chromebooks in seven tasks when doing math homework online.

Madison would get frustrated waiting over 10 seconds longer to open her Google Docs document on the ARM processor-based Chromebook. As Figure 3 shows, the Intel processor-powered Chromebook required 47 percent less waiting than the ARM processor-based Chromebook. Instead of getting frustrated waiting 10 seconds longer for the Google Docs document to open on her ARM processor-based Chromebook, Madison could be learning about parallel and perpendicular lines on her Intel processor-powered Chromebook. Madison's teacher wouldn't want her to wait almost 6 seconds longer just to open a 3D model on the ARM processor-based Chromebook.

### **CREATING AN ENGLISH PRESENTATION**

Ethan has an English project to present on the use of metaphor in Romeo and Juliet. He turns on his Chromebook and searches for the TED-Ed video on Shakespearean Dating Tips. While watching the video, he opens Google Keep<sup>™</sup> and takes some notes. He also goes to Wikipedia to search for some information on Shakespeare's life and work. He then opens a new presentation in Google Slides and starts making slides. To talk about the metaphor of stars as eyes, he opens the Planetarium app and looks at some constellations. He also opens Google Maps<sup>™</sup> and searches for Verona to look at the city in Street View<sup>™</sup>. When finished, Ethan rehearses to make sure he's ready to present, going to Google Drive and opening his presentation to practice.

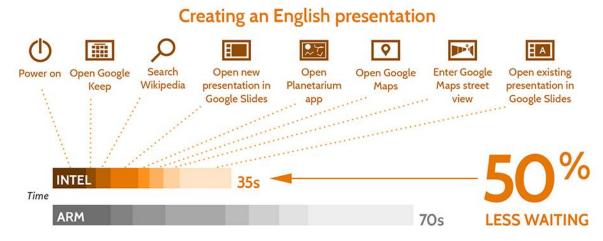


Figure 4: The amount of time spent waiting by the two Chromebooks in eight tasks when creating an English presentation.

Ethan would save 10 seconds when opening his presentation on the Intel processorpowered Chromebook. As Figure 4 shows, the Intel processor-powered Chromebook required 50 percent less waiting than the ARM processor-based Chromebook. If Ethan were using the Intel processor-powered Chromebook, he wouldn't have to wait over 10 seconds longer each time he opens his Google Slides presentation, both at home when he's practicing or in class when he's presenting. Each app he would use to create his presentation – Google Keep, Planetarium, Google Maps—would take less time to open on the Intel processor-powered Chromebook.

### **TEAMING UP IN SCIENCE CLASS**

Jada is working on a project in her third-period science class. She opens her spreadsheet in Google Sheets to prepare for their group lab later in the period. She also opens a new document in Google Docs to take notes that she can share with her group. She opens the PhET Build an Atom simulation and opens the Useful Periodic Table app to help her with the simulation. Eventually, the whole class gets stuck on a tough problem, and her teacher suggests that they all watch a Crash Course video on the nucleus. Jada searches for the video, and then plays it on the TV via Chromecast<sup>™</sup>.

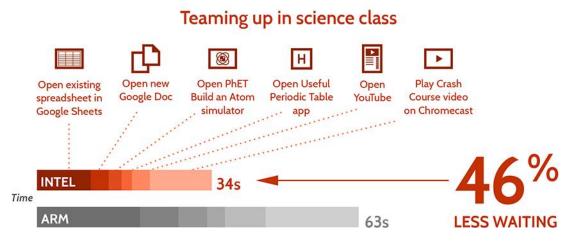


Figure 5: The amount of time spent waiting by the two Chromebooks in six tasks when teaming up in science class.

Jada's teacher would lose almost 11 seconds opening YouTube and playing the video for the class when using the ARM processor-based Chromebook. As Figure 5 shows, the Intel processor-powered Chromebook required 46 percent less time than the ARM processor-based Chromebook. This means that if Jada were using the Intel processor-powered Chromebook, she could be figuring out the structure of an atom instead of waiting for her spreadsheet to open. With the ARM processor-based Chromebook, she would be spending valuable class time waiting instead of learning. Jada's teacher would lose almost 11 seconds opening YouTube and playing the video for the class when using the ARM processor-based Chromebook.

# WEBGL<sup>1</sup> RENDERING IN AN ANATOMY SIMULATION

With twice as many frames per second, the Intel processorpowered Chromebook can provide students with smoother, faster graphics in apps. Immersive 2D and 3D graphics in education apps only enhance learning if they render quickly and smoothly. Some education apps like BioDigital Human are now using WebGL<sup>™</sup>, a new Web standard for 2D and 3D, because WebGL doesn't require teachers and students to install a browser plugin. We looked at the BioDigital Human app and found that the Intel processor-powered Chromebook delivered 100 percent more frames per second than the ARM processor-based Chromebook while rendering the digestive system—50 frames per second versus 25 frames per second (see Figure 6).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> WebGL and the WebGL logo are trademarks of the Khronos Group Inc.

#### Rendering an anatomy simulation



Figure 6: The number of frames per second the two Chromebooks delivered while rendering an anatomy simulation.

### THE BOTTOM LINE

Which model is the best for students and teachers? The longer students must wait for apps or documents to open, the more opportunities there are for distractions like chatting and doodling, and the longer it takes to get to learning in the classroom or at home. We put two Chromebook models to the test, and found that the Intel processor-powered Chromebook required significantly less waiting than the ARM processor-based model and delivered twice as many frames per second, while also lasting significantly longer without a charge while lightly browsing the Internet.

The report card is clear: With the Intel processor-powered Chromebook, students can get to learning faster, waste less time waiting, and stay learning longer. Clearly, the Intel processor-powered Chromebook is the better choice for schools. For the complete set of work PT has done for Intel, visit <u>principledtechnologies.com/Portfolio/Intel/2013</u>.

# **APPENDIX A: DETAILED SYSTEM CONFIGURATION**

Figure 7 presents detailed information on the two Chromebooks we tested.

System	Intel processor-powered Chromebook	ARM processor-based Chromebook	
Vendor and model	Acer <sup>®</sup> C720 Chromebook	Samsung <sup>®</sup> Chromebook	
Processor	Intel Celeron <sup>®</sup> Processor 2955U (Haswell microarchitecture)	Samsung Exynos 5 Dual	
Processor frequency (GHz)	1.4	1.7	
Processor cores	2	2	
Memory	2GB DDR3L SDRAM	2GB DDR3L SDRAM	
Storage	16GB SSD	16GB SSD	
Battery type	3-cell Li-Polymer	2 cell Li-Polymer	
Battery capacity	45 Wh	30 Wh	
Display	11.6" (1,366 x 768)	11.6" (1,366 x 768)	
Wireless	802.11 a/b/g/n	802.11 a/b/g/n	
Bluetooth	Bluetooth 4.0 compatible	Bluetooth 3.0 compatible	
USB ports	1 x USB 3.0	1 x USB 3.0	
	1 x USB 2.0	1 x USB 2.0	
System weight	2.76 lbs.	2.42 lbs.	
OS	Chrome OS version 31.0.1650.61	Chrome OS version 31.0.1650.61	
Firmware	Google_Peppy.4389.81.0	Google_Snow.2695.117.0	

Figure 7: Detailed configuration information for the two Chromebooks.

# **APPENDIX B: DETAILED TEST METHODOLOGY**

#### **Battery life while browsing**

#### Setting up the test

- 1. Make sure the display will not automatically turn off during the test.
  - a. Install the Keep Awake extension.
  - b. To switch to the sun icon, click the icon in the top-right corner of the Chrome browser.
- 2. Open Google Chrome from the shelf, and bookmark the msn.com Web site.
- 3. Set the displays to as close as possible to 70 nits.
- 4. Plug the Chromebook chargers into a power strip.
- 5. Make sure the batteries are all 100 percent charged.
- 6. Place both Chromebooks next to the clock.

#### **Running the test**

- 1. Start the video camera.
- 2. Open Google Chrome from the shelf, and go to the bookmarked Web site.
- 3. Turn the power strip off, and note the time.
- 4. After both Chromebooks have fully discharged, review the video to determine when each Chromebook powered off.
- 5. Fully charge the Chromebooks.
- 6. Repeat steps 1 through 5 two more times.

#### Reading a textbook and taking notes online

- 1. Simultaneously start the timer and power on the system.
- 2. When the login window appears, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 3. Enter the password, and press Enter.
- 4. Open Google Chrome from the shelf.
- 5. Type kno.com, and press Enter.
- 6. Select Course Manager.
- 7. Simultaneously start the timer and select the Campbell Biology textbook under My Stuff.
- 8. When the textbook is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 9. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Docs from the shelf to open a new document.
- 10. When the document is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 11. Press Ctrl+T to open a new Chrome tab.
- 12. Type Wikipedia.org and press Enter.
- 13. Type muscles, and simultaneously start the timer and press Enter.
- 14. When the Wikipedia page is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 15. Open the Chrome tab for the Kno textbook.
- 16. Open the Chrome tab for the document.
- 17. Simultaneously start the timer and open the BioDigital Human app from the apps list.
- 18. When the BioDigital Human app is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 19. Simultaneously start the timer and open YouTube from the apps list.
- 20. Click Watch Later.

- 21. Play the Khan Academy video.
- 22. When the video begins playing, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 23. Simultaneously start the timer and open the New York Times app from the apps list.
- 24. When the New York Times app is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 25. Repeat steps 1 through 24 two more times.

#### Doing math homework online

- 1. Simultaneously start the timer and power on the system.
- 2. When the login window appears, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 3. Enter the password, and press Enter.
- 4. Simultaneously start the timer and open the GeoGebra app from the apps list.
- 5. When the GeoGebra app is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 6. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Drive from the apps list.
- 7. Open the existing document.
- 8. When the document is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 9. Open the Chrome tab for the GeoGebra app.
- 10. Open the Design Something app from the apps list.
- 11. Simultaneously start the timer and open the pen holder model under Recent Models.
- 12. When the model is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 13. Press Ctrl+T to open a new Chrome tab.
- 14. Type ck12.org/geometry and press Enter.
- 15. Open the Parallel and Perpendicular Lines concept, and click Assessments.
- 16. Simultaneously start the timer and select Parallel and Perpendicular Lines Practice.
- 17. When the assessment fully loads, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 18. Simultaneously start the timer and open YouTube from the apps list.
- 19. When YouTube is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 20. Click Watch Later.
- 21. Simultaneously start the timer and play the TED-Ed video.
- 22. When the video begins playing, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 23. Repeat steps 1 through 22 two more times.

#### **Creating an English presentation**

- 1. Simultaneously start the timer and power on the system.
- 2. When the login window appears, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 3. Enter the password, and press Enter.
- 4. Open YouTube from the apps list.
- 5. Type TED-Ed Shakespearean dating tips, and press Enter.
- 6. Click the link for the TED-Ed video.
- 7. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Keep from the apps list.
- 8. When Google Keep is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 9. Open the Chrome tab for the TED-Ed video.
- 10. Press Ctrl+T to open a new Chrome tab.

- 11. Type Wikipedia.org and press Enter.
- 12. Type Shakespeare, and simultaneously start the timer and press Enter.
- 13. When the Wikipedia page is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 14. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Slides from the shelf to open a new presentation.
- 15. When the Presentation choose a theme screen is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 16. Select the Simple Light theme.
- 17. Simultaneously start the timer and open the Planetarium app from the apps list.
- 18. When the Planetarium app is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 19. Open the Chrome tab for the presentation.
- 20. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Maps from the apps list.
- 21. When Google Maps is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 22. Type Verona, Italy and press Enter.
- 23. Drag the yellow pegman to the center of the city.
- 24. Simultaneously start the timer and release the pegman to enter Street View.
- 25. When Street View is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 26. Open the Chrome tab for the presentation.
- 27. Close the Chrome tab.
- 28. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Drive from the apps list.
- 29. Open the existing presentation.
- 30. When the presentation is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 31. Repeat steps 1 through 30 two more times.

#### Teaming up in science class

- 1. Open the lid to resume from sleep.
- 2. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Drive.
- 3. Open the existing spreadsheet.
- 4. When the spreadsheet is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 5. Simultaneously start the timer and open Google Docs from the shelf to open a new document.
- 6. When the document is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 7. Press Ctrl+T to open a new Chrome tab.
- 8. Type phet.colorado.edu/en/simulations/category/html, and press Enter.
- 9. Simultaneously start the timer and open the Build an Atom simulation.
- 10. When the simulation is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 11. Simultaneously start the timer and open the Useful Periodic Table app from the apps list.
- 12. When the Useful Periodic Table app is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 13. Open the Chrome tab for the simulation.
- 14. Simultaneously start the timer and open YouTube from the apps list.
- 15. When YouTube is fully displayed, stop the timer, and record the result.
- 16. Type Crash Course nucleus, and press Enter.
- 17. Simultaneously start the timer and click the link for the Crash Course chemistry video.
- 18. Play the video on the TV via Chromecast.
- 19. When the video begins playing on the TV, stop the timer, and record the result.

20. Repeat steps 1 through 19 two more times.

#### WebGL rendering in an anatomy simulation

#### Setting up the test

- 1. Install the frames per second bookmarklet counter.
  - a. Open Google Chrome from the shelf.
  - b. Type ricardocabello.com/blog/post/707, and press Enter.
  - c. Drag and drop the Display Stats link to the bookmarks bar.
- 2. Close the Chrome window.
- 3. Open the BioDigital Human app from the app list.
- 4. Click Display Stats in the bookmarks bar.
- 5. In the omnibox, click the shield, and accept the warning to load unsafe script.

#### **Running the test**

- 1. Reload the page.
- 2. Show the Digestive System.
- 3. To enable the frames per second counter, click Display Stats in the bookmarks bar.
- 4. To zoom in on the stomach and surrounding organs, double-click the stomach.
- 5. Once the app has fully rendered the image of the digestive system, note the minimum number of frames per second in the range reported by the frames per second counter, and record the result.
- 6. Repeat steps 1 through 5 two more times.

## **APPENDIX C: DETAILED RESULTS**

Figure 8 presents the detailed results for the two Chromebooks. We performed all tasks three times. We have based the findings in the body of this report on the median scores for each task.

	Intel processor-powered	ARM processor-based
	Chromebook	Chromebook
Battery life while browsing		
Battery life while lightly browsing the Internet (higher	is better)	
Run 1	11:17:00.00	07:12:00.00
Run 2	11:49:00.00	07:02:00.00
Run 3	10:48:00.00	07:13:00.00
Median	11:17:00.00	07:12:00.00
Reading a textbook and taking notes online		
Time to turn on system (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:06.50	00:11.50
Run 2	00:06.50	00:11.30
Run 3	00:06.50	00:11.30
Median	00:06.50	00:11.30
Time to open Kno textbook (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:05.00	00:09.00
Run 2	00:05.20	00:09.40
Run 3	00:05.10	00:09.20
Median	00:05.10	00:09.20
Time to open new document in Google Docs (lower is l	better)	
Run 1	00:03.60	00:08.00
Run 2	00:03.60	00:08.00
Run 3	00:03.80	00:07.80
Median	00:03.60	00:08.00
Time to search Wikipedia (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:01.50	00:02.90
Run 2	00:01.50	00:02.90
Run 3	00:01.60	00:02.70
Median	00:01.50	00:02.90
Time to open BioDigital Human app (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:13.10	00:26.40
Run 2	00:12.70	00:26.10
Run 3	00:13.00	00:26.10
Median	00:13.00	00:26.10
Time to play Khan Academy video (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:09.20	00:14.20
Run 2	00:09.00	00:14.30
Run 3	00:09.50	00:13.90
Median	00:09.20	00:14.20
Time to open New York Times app (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:01.90	00:03.80
Run 2	00:01:90	00:03.80
Run 3	00:01:90	00:03.90
Median	00:01:90	00:03.80
Total time waiting	00:40.80	01:15.50

	Intel processor-powered Chromebook	ARM processor-based Chromebook
Doing math homework online		
Time to turn on system (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:06.50	00:11.30
Run 2	00:06.40	00:11.20
Run 3	00:06.50	00:11.40
Median	00:06.50	00:11.30
Time to open GeoGebra app (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:03.40	00:05.80
Run 2	00:03.30	00:05.50
Run 3	00:03.30	00:05.60
Median	00:03.30	00:05.60
Time to open existing document in Google Docs (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:09.90	00:20.60
Run 2	00:10.20	00:20.30
Run 3	00:10.30	00:20.40
Median	00:10.20	00:20.40
Time to open 3D model in Design Something app (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:05.30	00:11.10
Run 2	00:05.50	00:11.30
Run 3	00:05.50	00:11.50
Median	00:05.50	00:11.30
Time to open CK-12 Parallel and Perpendicular Lines assessment (lo		00.11.00
Run 1	00:03.50	00:05.20
Run 2	00:03.40	00:05.30
Run 3	00:03.10	00:05.40
Median	00:03.40	00:05.30
Time to open YouTube (lower is better)	00.03.40	00.05.30
Run 1	00:03.50	00:07.60
Run 2	00:03.60	00:07.40
Run 3	00:03.70	00:07.90
Median	00:03:60	00:07.60
Time play TED-Ed video (lower is better)	00.03.00	00.07.00
Run 1	00:03.30	00:06.40
Run 2	00:03.40	00:06.50
Run 3	00:03.30	00:06.20
Median	00:03.30	00:06.40
Total time waiting	00:35.80	01:07.90
Creating an English presentation	00.33.60	01.07.30
Time to turn on system (lower is better)		
	00:06.40	00:11 20
Run 1	00:06.40	00:11.30
Run 2	00:06.50	00:11.30
Run 3	00:06.60	00:11.20
Median	00:06.50	00:11.30
Time to open Google Keep (lower is better)	00:01:00	00.04.20
Run 1	00:01.90	00:04.30
Run 2	00:01.80	00:04.50
Run 3	00:01.90	00:04.20

	Intel processor-powered Chromebook	ARM processor-based Chromebook
Median	00:01.90	00:04.30
Time to search Wikipedia (lower is better)	·	
Run 1	00:02.80	00:06.20
Run 2	00:02.90	00:06.40
Run 3	00:03.10	00:06.60
Median	00:02.90	00:06.40
Time to open new presentation in Google Slides (lower is better)	· · · · · ·	
Run 1	00:05.30	00:11.70
Run 2	00:05.40	00:11.90
Run 3	00:05.50	00:11.60
Median	00:05.40	00:11.70
Time to open Planetarium app (lower is better)	· · · · · ·	
Run 1	00:02.30	00:04.60
Run 2	00:02.20	00:04.50
Run 3	00:02.20	00:04.60
Median	00:02.20	00:04.60
Time to open Google Maps (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:02.70	00:05.90
Run 2	00:02.80	00:05.60
Run 3	00:02.60	00:05.90
Median	00:02.70	00:05.90
Time to enter Google Maps Street View (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:03.10	00:05.70
Run 2	00:03.20	00:05.90
Run 3	00:03.30	00:05.50
Median	00:03.20	00:05.70
Time to open existing presentation in Google Slides (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:10.10	00:20.80
Run 2	00:10.00	00:20.50
Run 3	00:10.30	00:20.50
Median	00:10.10	00:20.50
Total time waiting	00:34.90	01:10.40
Teaming up in science class		
Time to open existing spreadsheet in Google Sheets (lower is better)		
Run 1	00:10.50	00:20.10
Run 2	00:10.50	00:19.80
Run 3	00:10.30	00:20.20
Median	00:10.80	00:20.10
Time to open new document in Google Docs (lower is better)	00.10.50	00.20.10
Run 1	00:03.40	00:07.60
Run 1 Run 2	00:03.40	00:07.50
Run 2 Run 3	00:03.50	00:07.40
Median		
	00:03.50	00:07.50
Time to open PhET Build an Atom simulation (lower is better)	00:02 50	00.05 60
Run 1	00:02.50	00:05.60
Run 2	00:02.50	00:05.80
Run 3	00:02.50	00:05.40

	Intel processor-powered Chromebook	ARM processor-based Chromebook		
Median	00:02.50	00:05.60		
Time to open Useful Periodic Table app (lower is better)				
Run 1	00:02.00	00:03.60		
Run 2	00:01.90	00:03.50		
Run 3	00:02.10	00:03.40		
Median	00:02.00	00:03.50		
Time to open YouTube (lower is better)				
Run 1	00:03.60	00:07.60		
Run 2	00:03.50	00:08.00		
Run 3	00:03.40	00:07.90		
Median	00:03.50	00:07.90		
Time to play Crash Course video on Chromecast (lower is better)				
Run 1	00:12.30	00:18.00		
Run 2	00:12.00	00:18.20		
Run 3	00:12.10	00:18.30		
Median	00:12.10	00:18.20		
Total time waiting	00:34.10	01:02.80		
WebGL rendering				
Frames per second while rendering an anatomy simulation (higher is better)				
Run 1	50	26		
Run 2	50	23		
Run 3	49	25		
Median	50	25		

Figure 8: Detailed results.

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