

# SmartClass+

## SmartClass+ for Macs Language Lab Platform



# The Optimized Language Lab Solution

SmartClass+ for Macs has been optimized to work with Apple-based desktops, MacBooks, MacBook Airs, and iPads.

SmartClass+ can be used in traditional “dedicated room” settings, but can also be used with portable MacBook carts and BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) Mac labs.

## The SmartClass+ Advantage

When we set about developing the new SmartClass+ platform, we focused on two main objectives:

- **Intuitive & Easy-to-Use:** Above all else, we have insisted that the system be easy for non-technical teachers to use.
- **Modular & Flexible:** We have also architected a platform that delivers a pedagogically sound and economically viable solution – no matter what the workspace model, the workstation type, and the communications network.

## Hands-on Practice

Learning a second language is very much like learning to play a musical instrument. The major way to improve virtuosity is through hands-on practice.

- **Interactive, multimedia exercises:** Students interact with multimedia materials in which native speakers of the target language are communicating in authentic situations.
- **Recording exercises:** Students record themselves and listen to themselves speaking the target language – comparing their responses to a model speaker.
- **Live speaking & listening exercises:** Students converse in the target language with their fellow students in pairs or in groups – giving every student sufficient time to practice their listening and speaking skills.
- **Live testing activities:** Students are able to participate in live testing activities, such as advance placement (AP) testing to assess their progress.



## Motivation & Focus

Another major factor affecting language learning is motivation: Motivated learners accomplish more in less time.

- **Get students excited:** Language labs, with their interactive, multimedia activities, can actually get your Nintendo generation of students excited about learning.
- **Focus student attention:** Teachers are able to guide student attention and ensure that workstations are being used to further the learning effort rather than subvert the learning effort.

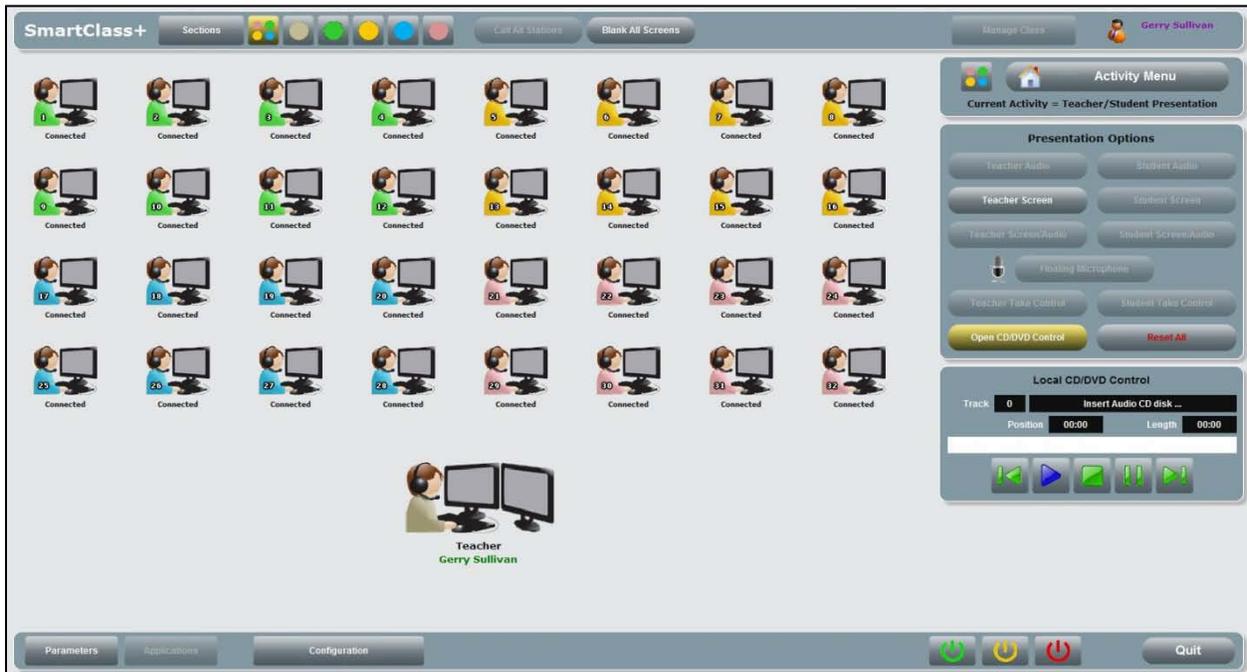
# Powerful and Easy-to-Use

## Live Activities

The Live Activities Dashboard is used to manage lab-based activities such as teacher & student presentations, pairing & grouping, live testing, AP testing, and student monitoring & support.

## Media Activities

The Media Activities Dashboard is used to manage self-study exercises such as open recording, simultaneous recording, sequential recording, open text, question & answer, multiple-choice, and fill-in-the-blanks.



Live Activities Dashboard (LAD)



Media Activities Dashboard (MAD)

# SmartClass+ WiFi Technology Overview

## Wi-Fi Compatible too!

Robotel has conquered the additional challenges of wireless networking by developing:

- A powerful new Wi-Fi compression algorithm that retains excellent sound and image quality with a significantly reduced network *footprint*.
- A robust network monitoring capability that identifies and restores dropped connections in a seamless and transparent fashion.

As a result, SmartClass+ for Macs is able to provide unrestricted language teaching capabilities in a wireless network environment even with large class sizes.

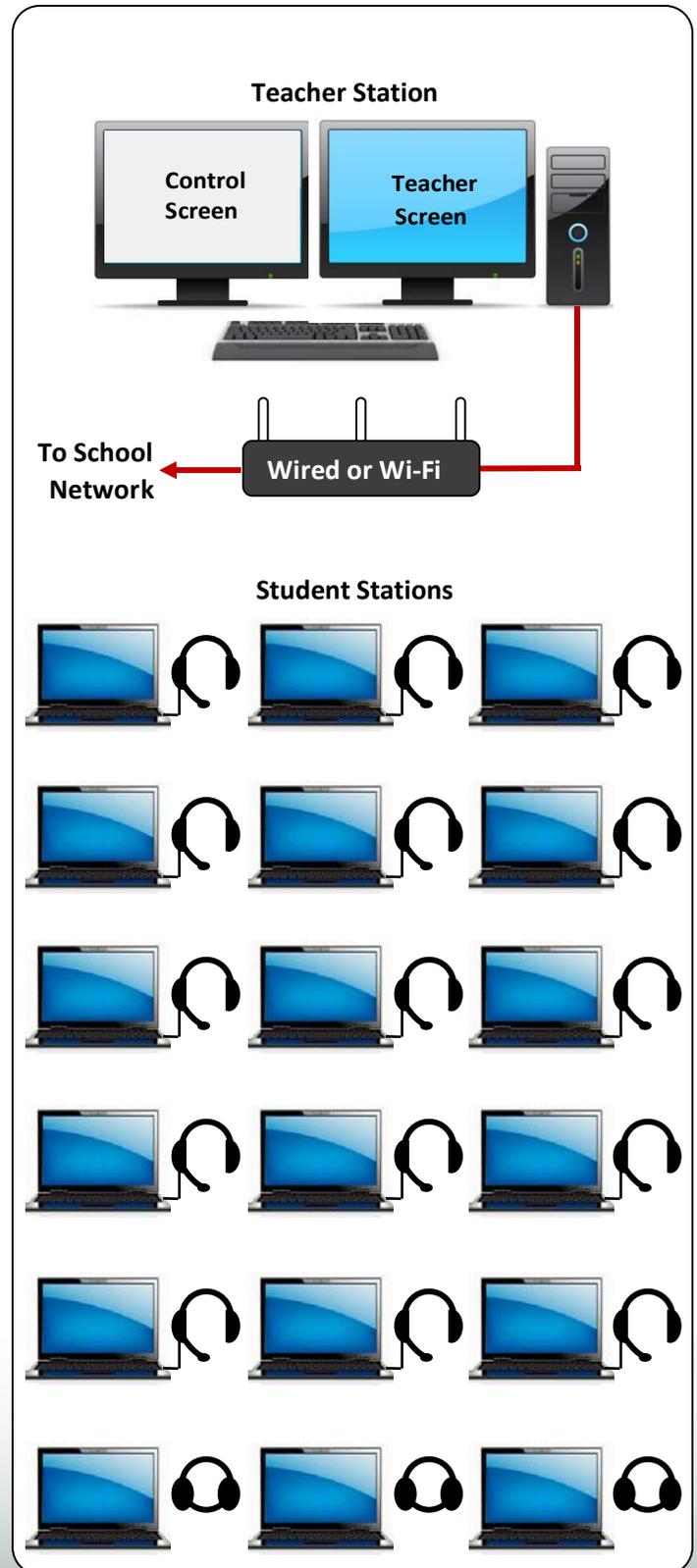
## Platform & Device Independence

Robotel has developed the new SmartClass+ platform to operate with a range of different devices, including desktop computers, laptop computers, notebooks, and tablets.

SmartClass+ can accommodate both traditional labs with school-supplied devices and open labs where students bring their own devices, (BYOD).



SmartClass+ works with the latest versions of Apple Mac OS X, while being equally at home with Apple iPads and iPad Minis.



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