

Station Rotation/Centers

The station rotation—or centers—model is a popular choice for districts that use iPads with young learners.

A station rotation model enables teachers to deliver a targeted mini-lesson with a small group of students while the rest of the class rotates through a variety of planned centers. Only one of the centers needs to be equipped with iPads, reducing the cost of blended learning to a minimum. Classrooms may only need five or six tablets as students can take turns using the devices for 20-40 minutes per day. When not engaged in the teacher mini-lesson or tablet center, students have the opportunity to rotate through a variety of teacher-created activities. For younger learners, this model still presents the opportunity to cut, paste, draw, and complete activities that will develop fine motor skills.

