



1 ORGANIZE

Storage is your best friend.



2 CONDUCT MINI SKILLS WORKSHOPS

Demonstrate proper use of new tools, and let students lead!



10 HAVE FUN!

Break free from the seriousness and allow them work on creations that most interest them.



3 COMBINE HIGH-TECH ITEMS WITH LOW-TECH ITEMS

Combine LED lights and paper or motors and cups. The possibilities are endless.



9 RECYCLE

Get creative and help the environment at the same time, a win-win in our book.



4 HAVE A VARIETY OF TOOLS

From hammers to hole punches, introduce a plethora of tools to your students that they might not have the chance to use otherwise.

Making a Makerspace

Pitsco's Top 10 Tips



8 GET THE COMMUNITY INVOLVED

Would local businesses have products to donate, or be interested in taking students on tours?



5 CHALLENGE STUDENTS

Think *Iron Chef* for the makerspace! Add challenge cards or a mystery material that they must incorporate, and let the games begin!



7 PROVIDE OWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Assign students to be responsible for certain parts of the makerspace from cleanup to inventory to leading skills workshops.



6 LET STUDENTS CREATE

Begin with step-by-step instructions for students, then follow up with new design specifications to see what they might create. Sit back and watch the engineering design process in action.