Simplify 1:1 Student Device

Management with Prey

Streamline your 1:1 program with Prey

Approximate location

Location history   Update location

Last seen

20
15
10
1

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The chaos of managing 1:1 device programs

Let's face it – more and more K-12 schools are jumping on the 1:1 student device bandwagon, putting laptops and tablets into eager student hands to supercharge their learning journey. But here's the reality check: as those devices multiply like rabbits, keeping tabs on them often becomes a nightmare that schools just aren't staffed to handle.

Automation isn't just a nice-to-have — it's the only way to survive when your entire IT department might be one person wearing five hats. In many schools, the 'IT team' is a solo act juggling device handouts, troubleshooting, network management, security, and compliance — all before lunch. nd with budgets that look more like vending machine change than Silicon Valley funding, hiring extra hands isn't on the table. That's why automation isn't a luxury — it's a lifeline.

Top challenges IT faces with 1:1 programs

For IT administrators, managing thousands of student devices often becomes overwhelming, leading to common issues:

Lost, stolen, or unreturned devices: Devices vanish, budgets suffer, and replacing them eats into funds that could support classroom activities.

Lack of visibility on device usage or location: Schools struggle to monitor where devices are or how they're being used, leaving gaps in security and resource management.

Manual, time-consuming check-in/check-out processes: Administrators find themselves buried in tedious paperwork, manually logging device handovers when they could be focusing on what really matters – supporting education.
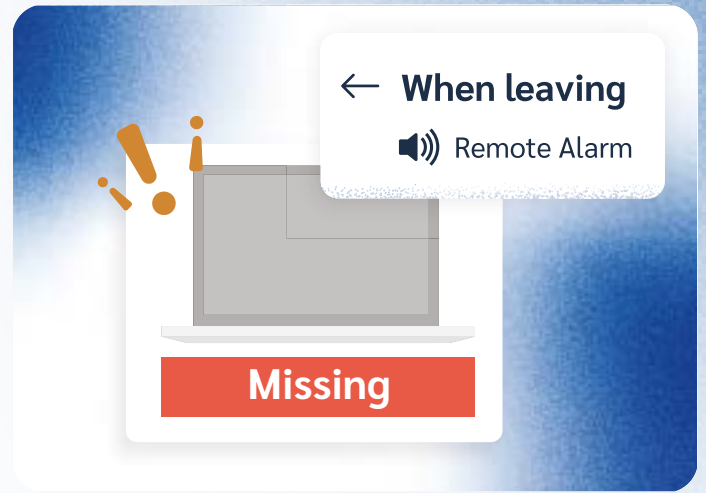
Low accountability from students & staff: Without clear tracking, that sense of responsibility for device care goes right out the window, leading to a spike in damaged devices and misuse.

Meet Prey: Purpose-built for EDU device management

Prey helps schools take back the reins on their student device programs, turning those headache-inducing manual processes into smooth, automated workflows that boost visibility and dramatically slash device loss.

We've designed Prey to play nice with Windows, macOS, ChromeOS, Ubuntu, and Android – covering your laptops, tablets, and smartphones. Everything tracked, managed, and protected from one unified hub that doesn't require an engineering degree to navigate.

Automate loan device management

OVERDUE

⤓ **Export CSV**

← **When leaving**
🔊 Remote Alarm

Missing

With Prey, EDU IT administrators can finally toss those chaotic spreadsheets and manual device logs in the recycling bin. We automate the entire check-in and check-out dance, seamlessly matching devices to students, simplifying handovers, and giving you crystal-clear visibility without the paperwork headaches.

Here's how Prey transforms your device assignments:

- **Automatically log who has a device and when it was checked out:** Our Device Loan Manager does the heavy lifting, recording student details and checkout times automatically. No more playing detective to figure out who has what – the system knows exactly who's responsible for each device without you lifting a finger.

- **Supports individual or bulk assignments** using easy-to-upload CSV files. Whether you're assigning a single laptop to a new student or issuing an entire cart of Chromebooks to a classroom, Prey makes it fast and painless. Just upload a spreadsheet with student names, emails, and device IDs — and you're done. No more manual entry, no more errors.
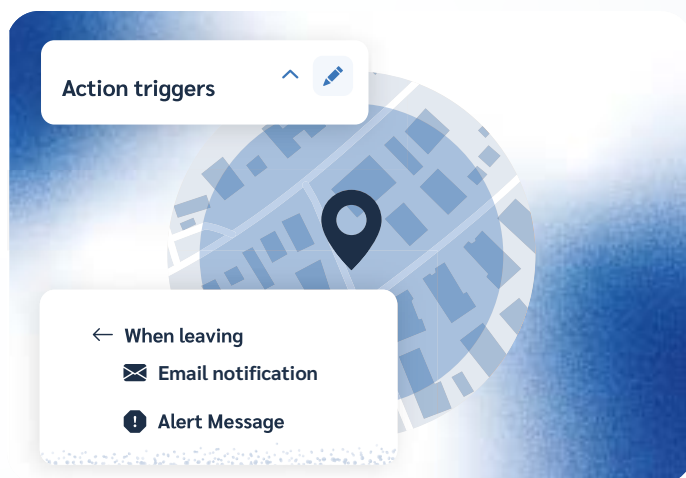
- **Ensure accountability with location and user activity tracking:** We combine real-time location data with activity monitoring to foster responsible device use. Prey can also be tuned to gather only necessary details, maintaining full compliance with FERPA regulations by safeguarding student privacy.

- **Send automated reminders for overdue or missing devices:** We proactively nudge forgetful students and staff with timely automated alerts about overdue equipment, dramatically cutting down the risk of devices slipping through the cracks or going permanently AWOL.

Track & locate devices in real time

Prey delivers robust tracking capabilities that let you keep an eye on student devices wherever they might roam. Our real-time tracking system works hand-in-hand with automated management tools, making it incredibly straightforward for IT teams to monitor device movements, streamline loans, and respond quickly when things go sideways.
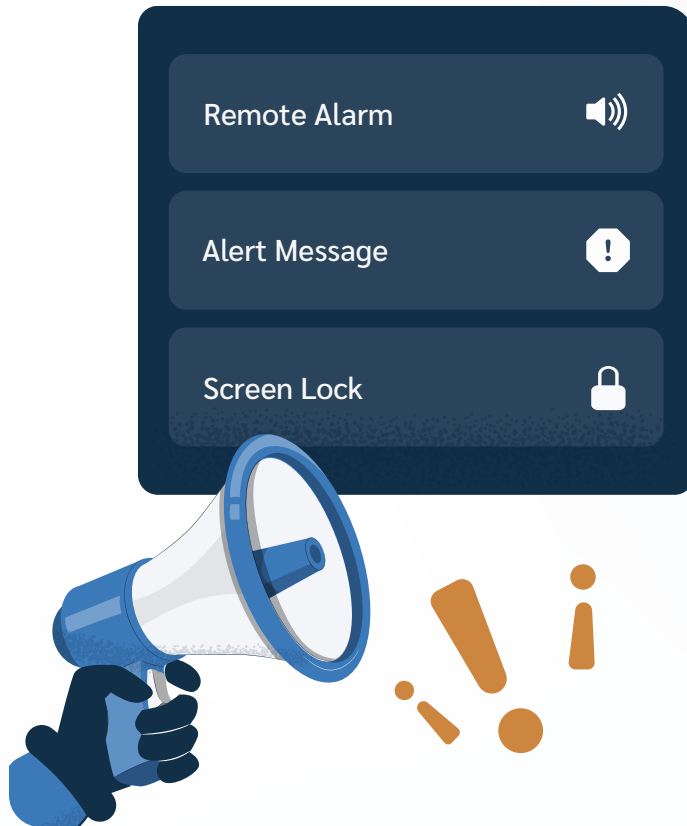
Here's how Prey keeps your devices safe and sound:

- **Automated device location tracking across campuses and beyond:** We use smart location tracking methods – GPS, Wi-Fi triangulation, and Geo-IP – to continuously monitor where devices are hanging out. Whether they're sitting in a classroom or chilling at a student's home, you'll always know their exact coordinates without breaking a sweat.

- **Geofencing alerts when a device leaves an approved area:** Setting up custom boundaries with Prey is as easy as drawing on a map. You defi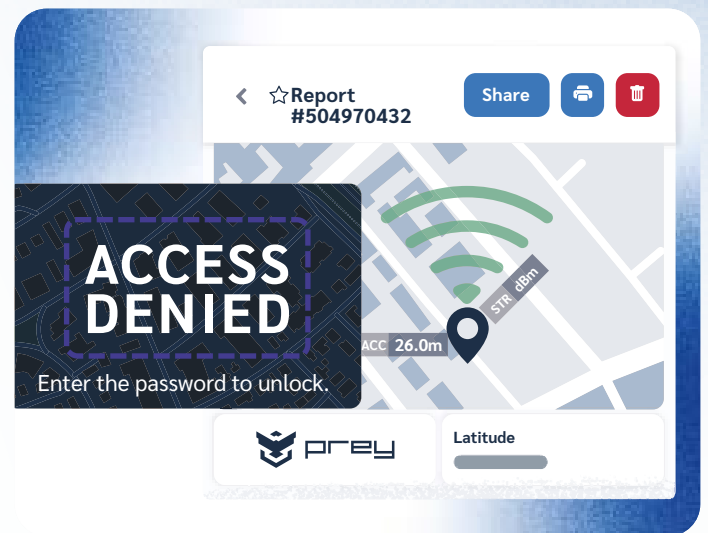ne the zones where devices should stay put, and we'll instantly ping you if one decides to go on an unauthorized adventure – letting you respond before "missing" becomes "gone forever."

- **Historical movement reports to see where a device has been:** We keep detailed logs of where each device has traveled, making it simple to identify usage patterns or retrace steps when something goes missing. These movement breadcrumbs provide crucial insights that significantly boost your chances of recovery and keep everyone accountable.

Prevent device loss & unauthorized use

Remote Alarm 🔊

Alert Message ⚠️

Screen Lock 🔒

With Prey, a lost or stolen device doesn't have to spell disaster for your school's security. Its proactive protection tools make sure devices remain secure, accessible only to authorized users, and can even prevent sensitive information from falling into the wrong hands.

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ACCESS DENIED
Enter the password to unlock.

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Here's how Prey keeps your devices from playing hide-and-seek:

- **Remote lock & alarm activation to prevent misuse:** When a device goes missing or seems compromised, you can instantly lock its screen and trigger a loud alarm remotely – making unauthorized access a whole lot less appealing and helping you track down wandering devices faster.

- **Automated missing device protocols (location reports, screen alerts):** When someone reports a device missing, Prey springs into action automatically. Regular location updates and customized on-screen messages help you recover devices quickly before any sensitive information gets exposed.

- **Data wipe capabilities:** For those more serious situations, Prey offers remote data wiping options to ensure sensitive files stay protected. This versatile feature works wonders whether you're clearing a departing staff member's device or refreshing an entire fleet for the new school year.

Reduce IT workload & simplify management

Let's be real – manually tracking hundreds or thousands of student devices isn't just inefficient, it's practically impossible. Prey's centralized platform dramatically lightens IT workloads by bringing all device management under one intuitive dashboard, freeing up your tech team to focus on more meaningful work than updating spreadsheets.

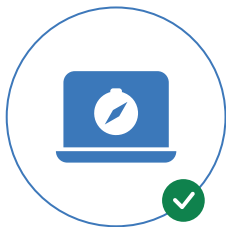## Here's how Prey makes device management actually manageable:

- **Gives IT teams complete visibility into device status & location:** Our central dashboard offers clear, real-time insights into every device's whereabouts, battery level, network connection, and assigned user. Features like our global map view and custom labels let you get the big picture at a glance without drowning in details.

- **Automates compliance & inventory reports for easier audits:** We automatically compile detailed inventory and compliance reports, keeping your school audit-ready without the usual scramble. Device Loan Manager and scheduled automated actions ensure your records are always precise, making reporting a breeze instead of a burden.

- **Eliminates the need for manual tracking with real-time data sync:** With continuous synchronization across all managed devices, you'll always have the most current information at your fingertips – completely eliminating those error-prone manual logs that nobody enjoys maintaining.

Take control of your 1:1 device program

With Prey, schools can finally break free from the chaos of lost devices and cumbersome tracking systems. Our automated check-in/check-out platform, combined with real-time tracking and robust security features, helps IT administrators slash device losses and respond quickly to issues, ensuring smoother, more secure management of student devices.

Beyond just simplifying management, Prey ensures every device is accounted for, liberating administrators from the headaches of manual tracking. Our intuitive tools and automated alerts foster student accountability while protecting sensitive data and valuable equipment.

Ensure devices are always accounted for

Eliminate manual tracking headaches

Keep students responsible & devices secure

Ready to transform your 1:1 device program from chaotic to controlled? Reach out to us today to discover how we can partner with your school to keep devices safe, secure, and exactly where they should be.

Book a demo | **Register for a free trial**

About Prey

Prey is a cross-platform **Device Tracking & Security** tool to stay in control of remote assets. It's a service that protects over 8 million devices and their data every day, all around the world.

Prey started in 2009 as a small tech company with a sole purpose: helping people keep track of their devices. 15 years later, our service evolved into a trusted multi-tool for both people and businesses. We are experts at tracking, protecting and managing your work and play tech tools. And a proud team of people willing to support you.

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