

K-12 IT leaders reveal excitement about AI PCs



Al is no longer the future. It's here and Al PCs can bring this era of innovation directly to every educator's device.

80%

of IT leaders see the productivity, security, and experiential value in AI PCs.¹

Lenovo research reveals that more than 80% of IT leaders see real value in AI PCs, with 65% describing themselves as "excited" about AI PCs.¹

Overall, education spending on AI is expected to **increase 2.6x** in the coming year, with a focus on GenAI for improved productivity and user experience.² AI PCs will play an important role in getting those GenAI capabilities into the hands of every educator.

LENOVO RESEARCH KEY FINDINGS1

IT leaders say AI PCs will be valuable for:

88%

Automating mundane tasks

37%

Analyzing large data sets

86%

Strengthening security

84%

Improving power management



Productivity grows in importance



53% of K-12 professionals say they strongly believe that AI can help educators be more efficient and more focused on instructional quality and student engagement.³

IDC findings agree, showing that adopting AI in classrooms and administrative settings leads to:²

- Enhanced educator and staff productivity
- Faster innovation
- Improved student satisfaction
- Increased operational efficiency

According to Lenovo's research, AI PCs are emerging as the key to solving these challenges with advanced features to streamline tasks and customize workflows. Already, 46% of schools are planning to integrate Al-powered PCs to boost operational efficiency.¹

There's an urgency to the rollout as 95% of K-12 leaders say they already use AI at work.⁴ 57% of K-12 educators are currently using AI in the classroom for content creation, including study guides, quizzes, and interactive simulations.³

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Productivity can't happen without reliable devices

Non-AI PCs average a three-year refresh cycle.⁵ These frequent refreshes can lead to interruptions in productivity, higher costs, and increased generation of e-waste.

To push beyond the three-year refresh cycle, IT professionals want:⁵



High-quality build materials, designed to withstand daily wear and tear



High-quality internal components that won't break down prematurely



Support and serviceability so devices are easy and fast to fix

ITDMs are demanding high-quality devices, equipped to fully realize Al-driven productivity, with an ecosystem of products, services, and support behind them.



Data support is top of mind



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The most important quality education IT leaders are looking for in a partner is support for data management.¹ 66% of K-12 professionals are concerned about risks related to data privacy and security.³

This means Al-enabled devices are just the start of the relationship

Education IT partners must also offer an ecosystem of secure services and solutions for AI integration across the campus.



How Lenovo Aura Edition elevates the AI PC experience

Lenovo Aura Edition AI PCs offer premium options by tapping into the latest Intel® Core™ Ultra processors for smarter productivity, security, and experiences.

Personalized

Harness capabilities that adapt to each educator's individual preferences and work habits. With Smart Modes, users can activate modes for different scenarios to automate common tasks and optimize system performance – whether in the classroom, in a meeting, or at home.

Productive

Intel® Core™ Ultra processors with up to 48 NPU TOPS and locally processed AI workloads not only increase productivity for the school but also provide a seamless user experience. Lenovo Smart Share, powered by Intel® Unison™, provides users an instant, secure connection for sharing between phone and PC.

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