## **PolyVision Interactive Whiteboard Basics**

For more information and lesson plans, please check out <u>http://polyvision.wikispaces.com</u>.

## CONNECTING YOUR BOARD:

- In order for your board to be interactive, you will need to connect two cables to your laptop. First, attach the projection cable. This is the large black cable with blue connection ends. One end will plug into the wall port located near the desktop computer in your room. The other will connect to the left side of your laptop.
- 2. Next, attach the computer to the whiteboard using one of the USB ports on the laptop. This is the cable that runs from your projector, through the ceiling, and dangles from the ceiling somewhere near the desktop computer in your room.
- 3. Turn on projector using your remote. You should see your computer screen come up on the interactive board. If not, you may need to hit "Source Search" on your white remote.

## CONFIGURING THE WHITEBOARD:

- 1. You can either use the buttons located on the left side of your board or an on-screen remote to work your interactive board. First, you will need to make sure that you configure your board.
- 2. Step 1: Make sure the PolyVision Walk and Talk software is on. In the lower right corner of your screen you should see an icon that looks like a white screen. You can configure this program by

right clicking on the icon and selecting "Configure Walk and Talk." If the icon is not in your system tray in the lower right corner, you can turn the application on by clicking on "Start," then "Programs," and selecting "Polyvision" from your list of programs.

- 3. By selecting "Configure Walk and Talk" a pop-up menu will appear. Select "Projection" from the tabs at the top of the pop-up menu.
- 4. Change the "Alignment Points" to 16 points and check off the box for "Fixed Projector." Then select "Apply" at the bottom of the menu. You will need to align your board after you have finished configuring your options.

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- 5. Next, select the "Save" button and click the pop-up menu next to "Save File As." Select the file type you want for all screen shots that are saved by the board. A jpg is a good choice for most projects you might use the images for. You will want to change where the image is saved to since the default is to save it to your desktop (which we cannot do). Click on the "Browse" button and change this option to your personal folder on the server. You may want to create a new folder just for images you save from your PolyVision projects.
- 6. To set your selections, click "OK." Now you will need to configure your board in order to make sure it is aligned. Select the "Projection" icon on the right side of your board. This will bring up a series of boxes. Touch the corners of each box to align your screen. Then, you are ready to go!



BOARD BASICS:

- Touch the ← button on the left side of your board to open up a blank screen. Use this screen to take notes during your interactive lesson. You will return to this same page each time you hit this button.
- Use the → button after you have opened a blank screen to return to the original page you were working on.
- Select the "Show Board" icon to toggle between a cursor and a pen.
- Select your pen color or eraser using the buttons on the left.
- Since you have configured your "Save As" option, when you select "Save" an image of your screen will save in the file you designated.
- For more information, you will also find a user's manual in the PolyVision folder in your Programs file.