How to Disable Teacher Assist Monitoring During Breaks and Non-School Day

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Administrators can set time limits for Teacher Assist usage and ensure that special times are set up when monitoring is disabled by default, such as during semester breaks.

Students can take their Chromebook home on days off from school if that is the school's policy, and by setting special times, the administrator can ensure that no violations of student privacy occur during these special times off from school.

Teacher Assist includes a flexible **Time Limits** feature that enables administrators to manage exactly when teachers can use screen monitoring tools.

By defining allowed or blocked hours during regular school days as well as during special periods like semester breaks or holidays, administrators can balance classroom management needs with student privacy, especially when school-issued Chromebooks are used off-campus.

Set up Time Limits in Teacher Assist

Navigate to **Configuration > Time Limits** section of Teacher Assist.

This is used for the Admins to **allow** or **disallow** the use of Teacher Assist.

The options are as follows:

- **Weekdays hours** – select weekdays and hours for when Teacher Assist can or cannot be used by Teachers
  - **Allowed** – set allowed hours for Teacher Assist to be used
  - **Blocked** – set blocked hours for Teacher Assist to be used
  - **None** – default value where no rule is applied
- **Special hours** – select special time period for which Teacher Assist can or cannot be used.
  - **Allowed** – set allowed dates and hours for Teacher Assist to be used

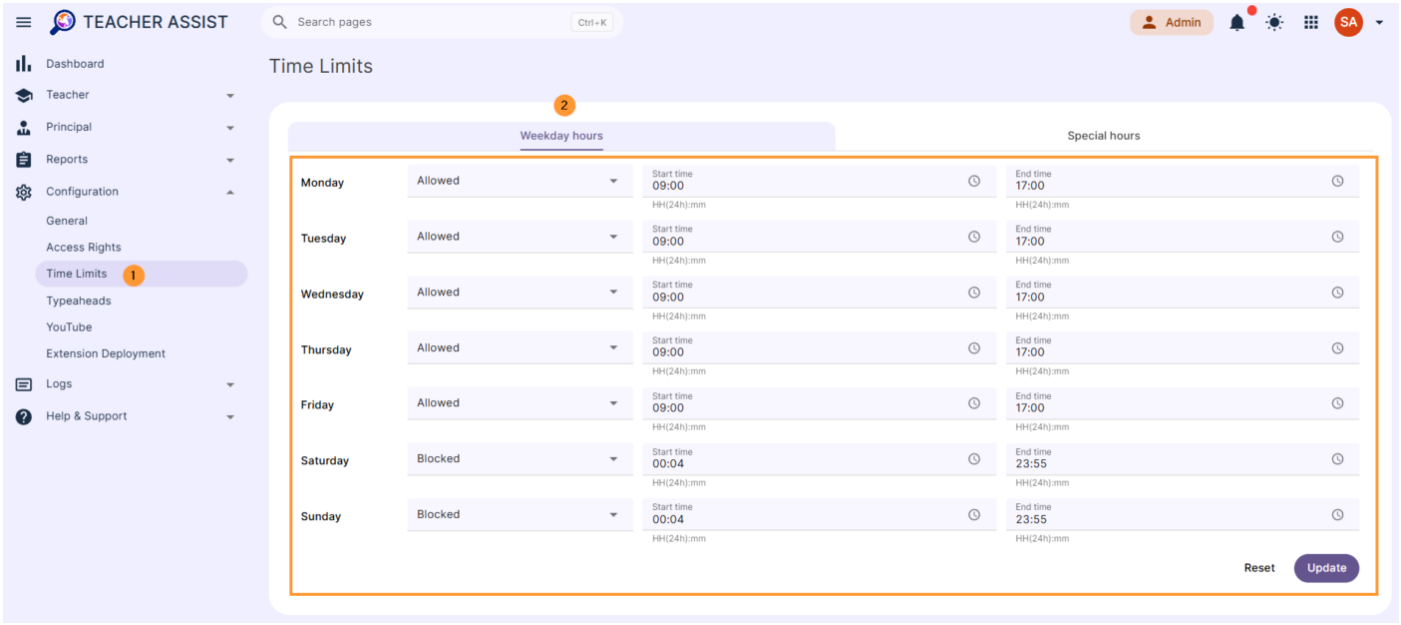
- **Blocked** – set blocked dates and hours for Teacher Assist to be used

Weekdays Hours

To set up regular weekday hours, navigate to **Configuration > Time Limits > Weekday Hours** section.

Select days and action for Teacher Assist to be blocked or allowed.

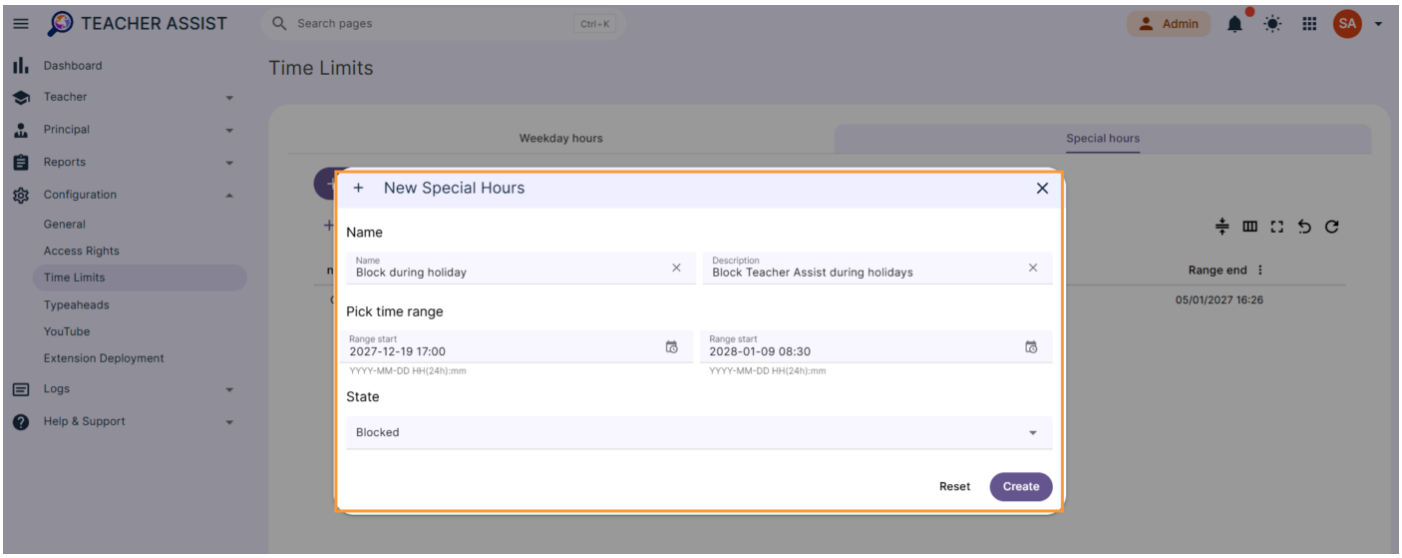
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Special Hours

Navigate to the **Configuration > Time Limits > Special Hours** tab.

Click on the **New special hours** button and create the block special hours

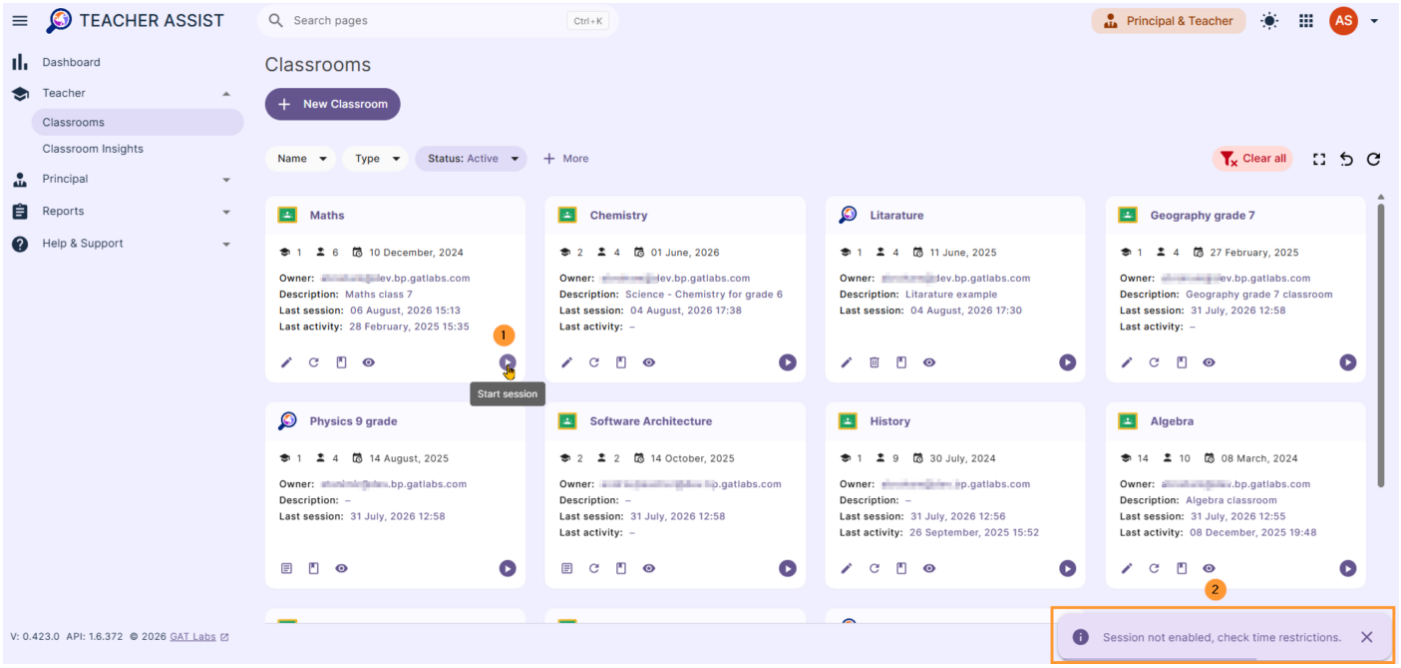


Result for Teachers

When time limits rules are applied, the Teachers or Admins will simply not be able to start classroom sessions and view the Chrome browser activity of the students in real-time.

They can access Teacher Assist, but when they try to start a live session, they will receive a message stating that it cannot be used.

The Teachers will view a message: **Session not enabled; check time restrictions.**



Conclusion

Once configured, these rules automatically enforce monitoring boundaries across the platform.

If a teacher or administrator attempts to launch a live session outside of the permitted schedule, Teacher Assist will prevent the session from starting and display a "Session not enabled; check time restrictions" prompt.

This safeguard guarantees that monitoring policies remain compliant and student privacy stays protected without requiring manual daily oversight.

Relevant posts

- Teacher Assist Overview
- Teacher Assist User Manual