SMART Board for Mac: Getting Started

SMART Notebook Installation Notes

- SMART Notebook software must be installed to access the full functionality of your SMART Board.
- If you have the SMART Notebook CD, insert it into your Mac, open the installer, and follow the instructions on screen.
- If you do not have the install CD, you can download the latest version of SMART Notebook from the SMART Technologies website: http://tinyurl.com/nbook10
- During the installation process you may be asked if you want to automatically load the SMART Board drivers when the computer starts up. Please leave this option enabled.
- Please ask your school tech support specialist if you have any trouble installing the software.

Connecting the SMART Board

1. Plug the wide, rectangular end of the USB cable into any available USB port on your Mac.
2. Connect the square end of the USB cable to the pigtail connector on the lower right side of your SMART Board. It may be hanging between the board and the wall on which it is mounted.
3. The status light on the lower right corner of the SMART Board should switch to a solid green color after a few seconds.
4. On your computer, click the Apple menu, then select System Preferences, then click on Displays.
5. Click the Arrangement tab.
6. If the Mirror displays option is not checked, enable it now.
7. Set the resolution to 1024x768 and close the window.

Alignment

1. Simultaneously press the two buttons at the bottom center of the SMART Board. They are labeled with icons that resemble a keyboard and a mouse (shown below.)

2. The alignment program will open and fill your computer screen and projector. Follow the on-screen directions to calibrate – Using your finger on the SMART Board, press the center of the targets in order until all nine are calibrated.

3. The alignment window will disappear once you press the last target.

Troubleshooting

- If the SMART Board’s status light is completely dark, double check that the USB cable is securely connected to your computer and the SMART Board. If you are using a USB hub, try connecting directly to the computer instead.
- If the light is flashing red, this indicates that the board is receiving power from the computer but it can’t communicate with the SMART Board Tools and drivers. Verify that the SMART Board Tools program icon appears at the bottom of your screen and has a black triangle or a glowing dot beneath, which indicates that it is running (below; top.) If there is a red X (below; bottom), disconnect and reconnect the USB cable, then restart your computer.