# personal space

(bedroom)

#### Remove

- 1. Gather four large boxes or bins. Label:
  - Trash
  - Give Away
  - Somewhere Else
  - Not Sure
- 2. Do a "two-minute sweep" for trash.
- 3. Do a "two-minute sweep" for clothes; sort.
- 4. Start at left of doorway, work your way around the room, in small sections.

# study space

### Remove

- 1. Remove everything from your study space, then add only what you want to display/use in your space.
- 2. Re-home, throw away, or give away items you did not put back in your study space.

# bookbag

#### Remove

- 1. Empty the bag.
- 2. Throw away all trash.

### locker

### Remove

- 1. Empty the locker.
- **2.** Throw away all trash.

# **Group/Categorize**

**Group like items together**, for example:

- Clothes
- Shoes
- Bedding
- School supplies/ papers
- Computer, mouse, etc.
- Other electronic accessories
- Stuffed animals
- Trophies/awards
- Oversized items

Not sure about something? Place it the "Not Sure" box.

# **Group/Categorize**

Group like items according to function. For example:

- Computer
- Charging station
- Pens/pencils; etc.

# **Group/Categorize**

# Group items together:

- papers + binder
- pens/pencils
- books

# **Group/Categorize**

Group books according to your schedule:

- "morning" books
- "afternoon" books

# Arrange

Find a place for each group/category:

- Keep "most used" items most accessible.
- Revisit "Not Sure" box to put more away.
- Create a permanent home for remaining "Not Sure" items.

### **Arrange**

Find a place for the items you need in this space:

- 1. Keep items accessible.
- 2.Make the space aesthetic and comfortable with organizational accessories, décor, lighting, etc.

### **Arrange**

- **1. Organize papers** in your binder.
- Place pens/pencils in a case or pocket of your bag.
- **3. Place remaining items** in bag.

# Arrange

Place books by category. For example:

- "Morning" books stacked on spine
- "Afternoon" books lying flat

#### **Maintain**

"Take Two!" Every evening, take two minutes to tidy your space.

Beware of trash; it is the #1 enemy of organization!

### Maintain

"Take Two!" Just before you start homework every day, take two minutes to tidy your study space.

#### **Maintain**

"Take Two!" As you start your daily homework, take two minutes to clean out trash and file papers in your binder.

#### Maintain

"Take Two!" Before you go home each day, take two minutes to clean out trash from your locker.

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