

## Tips for Extending Battery Life

With the increased use of Videoconferencing applications, such as, Zoom, as well as other software intense applications, we need to be aware that the laptop battery life will suffer. Battery Life issues can quickly be addressed by following a few simple tips and instructions. Please take a look at the settings/recommendations settings below:

From the: **Taskbar**

- Click on the Battery Icon on the right side of your taskbar.
  - Adjust the power mode (When on battery)
    - Best Performance (Faster less Battery life)
    - Better Performance (favors application performance over battery not by much)
    - **Better battery (Longer battery life with less application performance) – Recommend**
    - Battery Saver (Disables windows features and throttles down application performance)
- Click on **Battery Settings**.
  - Under Battery Saver
    - **Select “Turn battery saver on automatically if my battery falls below: and set to 20% – Recommend**
    - Select “Battery saver status until next charge.”

**Note:** When selecting the “Battery Saver” option, your laptop will stay on Battery saver mode until you plug in your device. The Battery saver mode, as mentioned before, disables windows features and throttles down applications.

- **Lower the brightness on the Display - Recommend**
  - Press Fn Key + F3 to Decrease Display Brightness
  - Press Fn Key + F4 to Increase Display Brightness
- While still in the Battery Setting Section under “More saving options” Click on “Change battery settings for playing Video” this will take you to the “Video Playback Settings”
  - **Select “I prefer video to play at a lower resolution” (Helps save network bandwidth) - Recommend**
- Under Battery Options
  - **Select “Optimize for battery life” from pull-down - Recommend**