

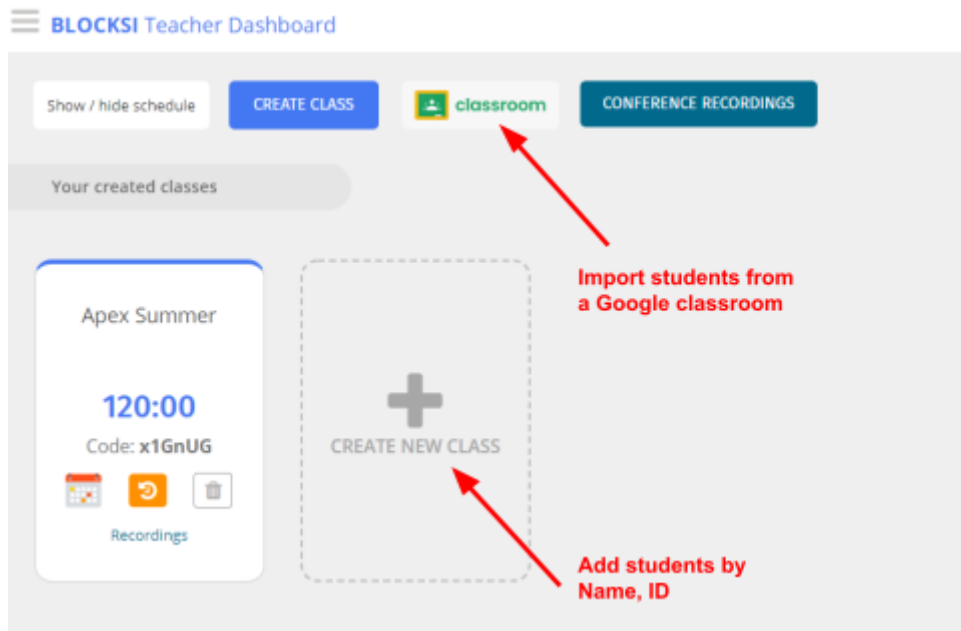
Blocksi - Guide to securing APEX tests

Recommendations for creating a “secure” APEX test environment:

- 1) All quiz and tests administered on-site with an instructor
- 2) No access to a secondary device (they turn in phone to start the assessment)
- 2) Conducted on school Chromebook with Blocksi Whitelist for allowed sites only using the "assessment" option. (See this document)

Procedure for use Blocksi to create a Whitelist (allowed sites only) list for an APEX assessment:

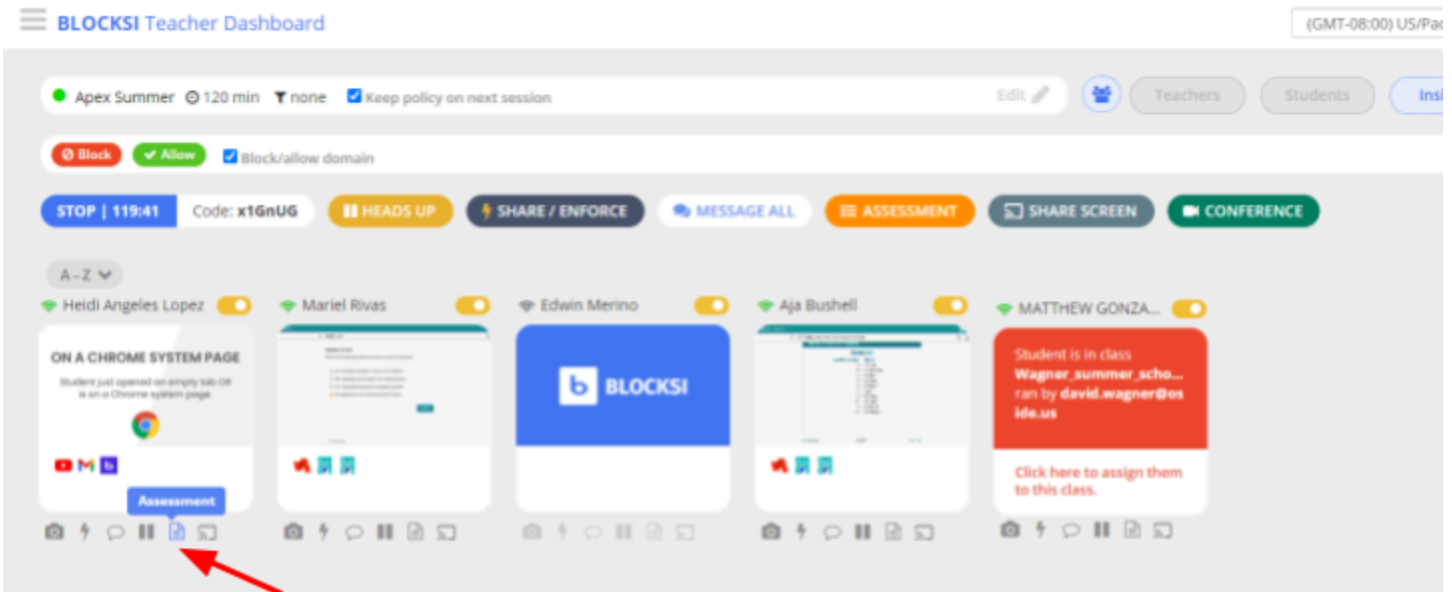
- 1) **Create a Blocksi class.** You can manually add the students to a class or create the class and import all the students from a Google Classroom. During the regular school year you should see your classes and can skip this step.



- 2) **Start the class**



- 3) For an individual student, click on the **Assessment** icon and **ALLOW** the following websites the **Enforced URLs** and **Whitelisted URLs**. Only these sites will be accessible. Everything else will be blocked. These are the sites you must allow for a student to access APEX. You could also allow additional sites.



Add the following URLs to the "**Enforced URLs**" section:

<https://www.apexvs.com>
<https://course.apexlearning.com>
<https://portal.oside.us>

Then add the following URLs to the "**Whitelisted URLs**" section:

<https://www.apexvs.com/>
<https://course.apexlearning.com/>
<https://portal.oside.us/>

Assessment (1045097@oside.us)

During assessment mode all web traffic will be blocked, except for the sites you enforce (ENFORCED URLs) or sites you list as safe (WHITELISTED URLs).

LOAD PRESET: Admin presets Apex Math Assessm:

SAVE CURRENT PRESET

Enforced URLs

https://www.apexvs.com

https://course.apexlearning.com

https://portal.oside.us

ADD FIELD +

Whitelisted URLs

https://www.apexvs.com/*

https://course.apexlearning.com

https://portal.oside.us/*

ADD FIELD +

Assessment

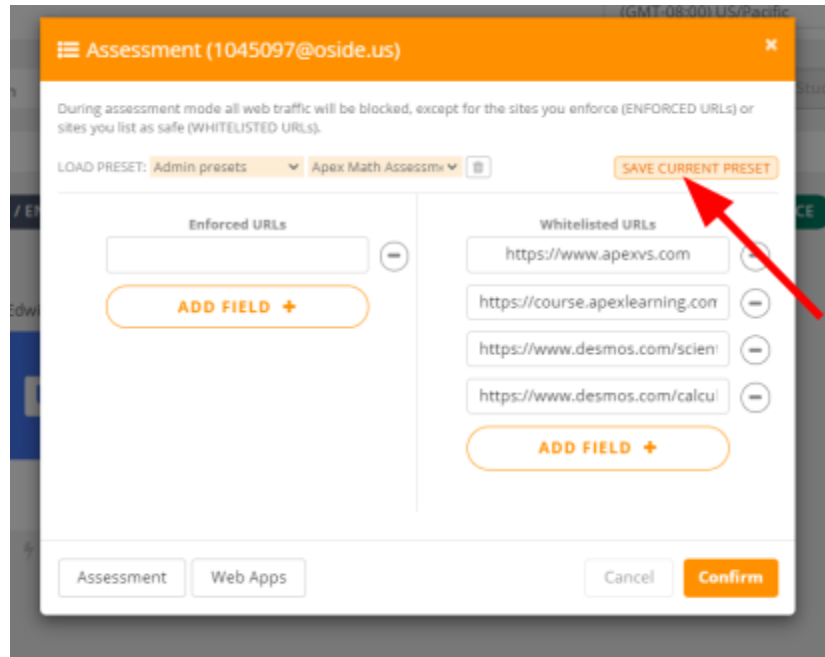
Web Apps

Cancel

Confirm

Be sure there are no extra / or spaces in the URLs!

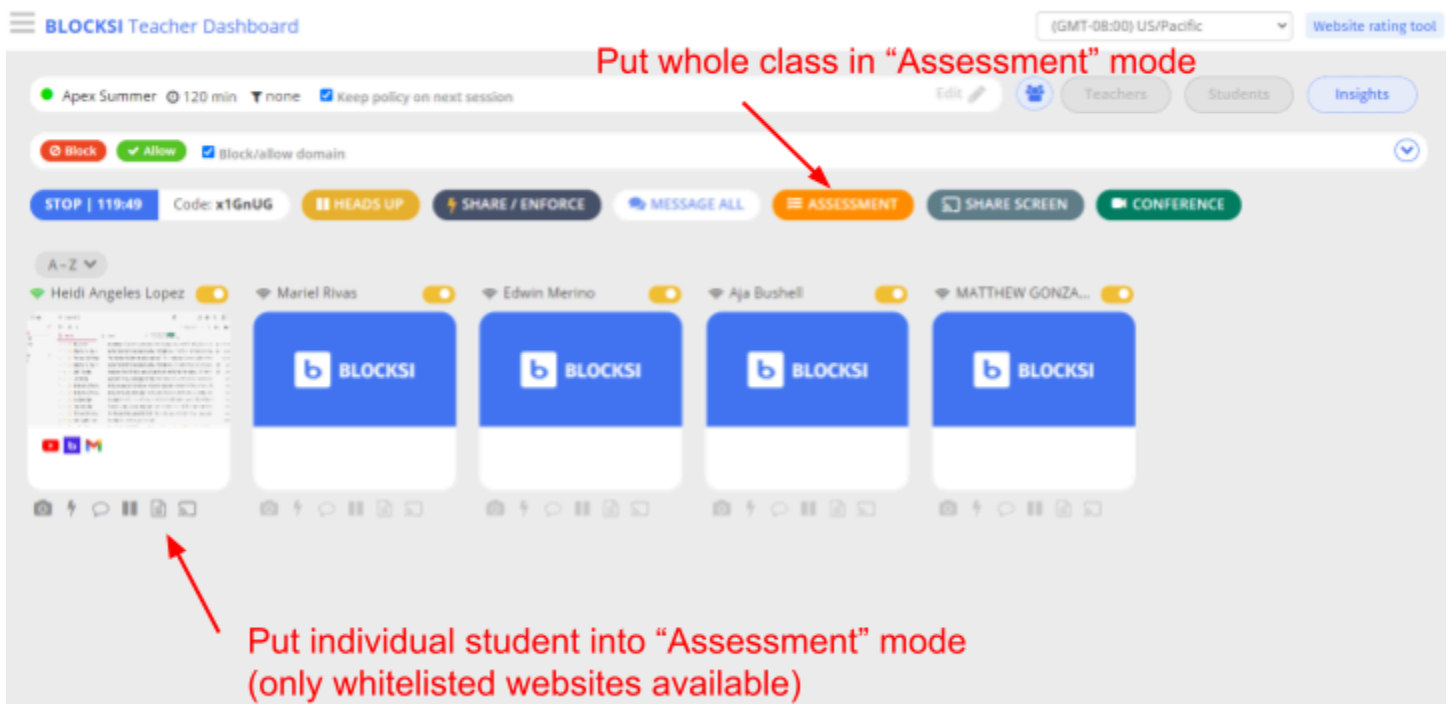
4) “Save current present” with a name, then confirm.



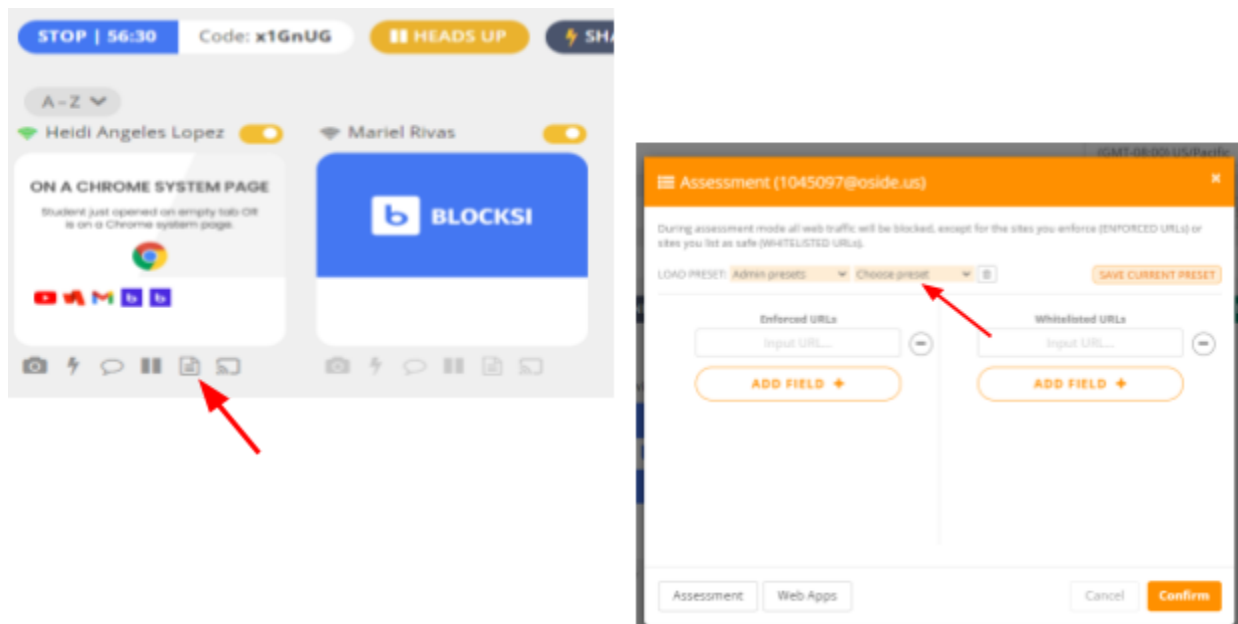
For the next student, you can just load the preset you named and confirm. When they are done you can click the assessment icon to turn it back off (goes from blue to gray).

5) Adding another student or the entire class to the “assessment mode”

- Click the Assessment icon below any student to turn on/off assessment mode. If you click the “Assessment” button in the top bar, all the students in the class will go into “assessment” mode.



Once you put an individual student in assessment mode, you can select your saved preset whitelist you made above.



Warning: Putting a student in an “Assessment mode” will initially close them out of all pages and show the list of “allowed” sites.

They need to pick the “portal” link to log back into Apex.

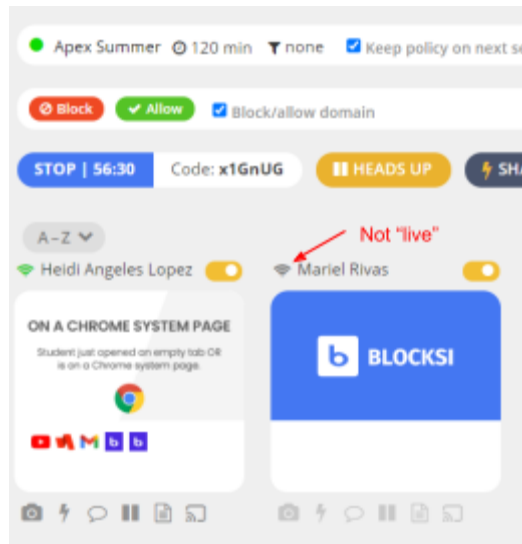
If they directly click the Apex link it will say they are “not authorized”.

For a quick video showing how to do this see:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1UUIresgQwOVzDcLq9dMkvK1YH0TFTDix/view>

6) Other Issues

If a Student is not “live” in the Blocks! classroom once you start a class, the issue could be they need to authenticate through the portal before you can “see” them in Blocks!. They could also be offline, but if you see their Chromebook open, it could just be the portal issue.



To tell if a Chromebook has BlocksXi installed on their Chromebook you can also look for the BlocksXi extension in Chrome.

