Shift Ownership to Students

Choose two areas where you currently exercise all the decision making in your classroom. Make a plan for how you can shift some ownership to students. Remember that you can still set parameters, but strive in these two areas to allow students more autonomy and control.

_____ where to work (at desks, sitting, standing, etc.)

_____ whom to work or sit with

_____ how to organize desks or work spaces

_____ what work to display on classroom displays or how to display it

_____ when to use the restroom

_____ how desks or work areas are arranged

_____ how the classroom library is organized or when or how to use it

_____ what to do at free times: during indoor recess, when work is finished, and so on

_____ other: __________________________________________________

How will you give students more autonomy in these two areas?

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