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## Nigerian students power up their laptops

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Khaled Hassounah, director of Nicholas Negroponte's One Laptop Per Child (OLPC) program in Africa and the Middle East, has spent the last year touring schools in Nigeria. He and his team chose a school 10 miles outside Nigeria's capital, Abuja, to deploy the company's first child-friendly laptops in the region.

These 10- and 11-year-old students are lucky to share three books per academic subject, a clock, bell, wall calendar, and science equipment consisting of a lever. Students in less fortunate schools might share three books total. With the XO Children's Machine, OLPC hopes young students will have the tools to shape their own education.

Credit: Khaled Hassounah

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