Paper Tower

Materials: computer paper works well. You may use the paper in the recycle bin that doesn’t have any folds yet

Objective: given a stack of paper and a flat surface, a group of students will fold it in such away to build a tower at least 3 stories high. You may choose to put a time limit on it or have two groups of students compete for the best time.

This activity requires communication between team members, coordination of efforts, and planning. Students may require the review of positional vocabulary and modeling of language used when directing others.

Clue: For those who think this is impossible, you may point out that folding the paper into thirds and fourths into pillars makes the paper stronger. They can then place paper on top of the pillars to complete a level.