1. For Windows XP users, left click on **Start**, then left click on **Control Panel**.

2. In the Control Panel window left click on **Performance and Maintenance**.
3. Then left click on **Power Options**.

4. In Power Options, click the down arrow under **Power schemes** and choose **Always On**. Then left click on each drop down menu under **Plugged in** and **Running on batteries** and click on
5. Click on the Advanced tab.

- Under the Options section, uncheck both Always show icon on the taskbar and Prompt for password when computer resumes from standby.

- Under the Power buttons section, set When I close the lid of my portable computer to Do nothing. Set When I press to power button on my computer to Shut down. And finally set When I press the sleep button on my computer to Do nothing.
6. Click the **Hibernate** tab and uncheck **Enable Hibernation**. Then click **Apply** and then **OK**.
7. You will return to the Performance and Maintenance window. Click on System.
8. The **System Properties** box will appear. Click the **Hardware** tab and then click the **Device Manager** button.
9. Device Manager will open. The last category will be called **Universal Serial Bus Controllers**. Click the plus sign next to it.
10. The category will expand. Now find a sub-category called **USB Root Hub** (there may be more than one), double click on it.

11. The **USB Root Hub Properties** box will appear. Click the **Power Management** tab.
12. Uncheck **Allow the computer to turn off this device to save power.** Then press **OK.** Repeat steps 10-12 for each USB Root Hub.

13. Once finished with the USB Root Hubs, you can close Device Manager and the System Properties box.