

Dell Activity Light API (ChomeOS)

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Overview

Dell Activity Light API (Chrome OS) is a set of JavaScript APIs to control of LED device on Dell Chromebook. When those APIs, you can turn on/off the LED, change the color of the LED light.

Compatibility

Chome OS r39 or above

Quick Start

To use Dell Activity Light API, please follow instructions below:

1. Add dell.led.js in background section in your manifest.json, as shown in the example code below:

```
"app": {

"background": {

"scripts": ["dell.led.js", ... ...],

"persistent": false
... ...
}
```

2. Call Dell Activity Light API in form of dell.led.xxxxxx according in your javascript or html files.

API List

Constants

dell.led.colors

Description	Definition of the colors Dell Activity Light device can present.



Values	dell.led.colors.RED
	dell.led.colors.GREEN
	dell.led.colors.BLUE
	dell.led.colors.YELLOW
	dell.led.colors.CYAN
	dell.led.colors.MAGENTA
	dell.led.colors.WHITE
	dell.led.colors.BLACK

Functions

dell.led.turnOn

Description	Establish the connection to Dell Activity Light device. Dell Activity Light light is a HID device connected via USB bus. dell.led.turnOn tries to detect the device and establish the connection. It is the first API you need to call before starting to control the device. Detailed behavior as below: 1. Establish connection to HID. 2. Reset LED device to an initial state (turn off if it's already on). 3. Any error during connection is recorded in the log.
Prototype	dell.led.turnOn()
Parameters	N/A
Return	N/A
Sample	
	if (!dell.led.isOn()) {
	dell.led.turnOn();
	}



dell.led.turnOff

Description	Turn Off the Dell Activity Light device. After turning off the device, you need to call dell.led.turnOn() to start control again.
Prototype	dell.led.turnOff()
Parameters	N/A
Return	N/A
Sample	if (dell.led.isOn()) { dell.led.turnOff(); }

dell.led.changeColor

Description	Light the Dell Activity Light Device with specified color. If the color is dell.led.colors.BLACK, it will behave the same as dell.led.turnOff, however, it's strongly recommended to use dell.led.turnOff instead of dell.led.changeColor(dell.led.colors.BLACK).
Prototype	dell.led.changeColor(dell.led.colors)
Parameters	{ dell.led.colors } color: colors of the LED light
Return	N/A
Sample	if (dell.led.isOn()) { dell.led.changeColor(dell.led.colors.RED); }



dell.led.isOn

Description	Check current state of Dell Activity Light device.
Prototype	dell.led.isOn()
Parameters	N/A
Return	{ bool } true: device is on false: device is off
Sample	<pre>if (dell.led.isOn()) { dell.led.changeColor(dell.led.colors.RED); }</pre>

System Behavior

Multi-process & Multi-thread

In general, there is no concurrent protection in Dell Activity Light API.

- 1. dell.led.xxxxx has to be run in the sample processes (application contexts) that calling dell.led.turnOn
- 2. There is no restriction on current call of Dell Activity Light API from different application contexts (processes), however, it's recommended not to use the API in two or more applications at the same time, to avoid any unexpected behavior caused by race condition.

Automatic & Manual state recover

Dell Activity Light API is designed to be compatible to Chrome OS system behavior gracefully.

System shutdown with Dell Activity Light turned on and application running:

Dell Activity Light device would turn off. On next boot, the application would start automatically, however, it need to call dell.led.turnOn and dell.led.changeColor to light the device again.



2.	User sign out with Dell Activity Light turned on and application running:
	Dell Activity Light device would turn off. On next boot, the application would start automatically, however, it need to call dell.led.turnOn and dell.led.changeColor to light the device again.
3.	User close the cover to sleep Chrome OS:
	Dell Activity Light device would turn off. On next time user open the cover and system resume from sleep mode, the application would start automatically and LED would light automatically.
4.	User uninstall the application with Dell Activity Light turned on and application running:
	Dell Activity Light device would turn off.
5.	User close the application with Dell Activity Light on:
	Dell Activity Light device would turn off.
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