

## Supplies List

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The lists below are meant to serve as a guide. Schools and teachers may have specific additions to the lists below. Plot a date on the calendar 3-4 weeks before the start of the school year when you can visit the supplies store. Avoid the weekend before school begins. The sale items may seem appealing, but the lines of frenzied customers won't be.

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### Supplies for School

- \_\_\_ One box of pencils (twenty-four pencils)
- \_\_\_ One box of pens (twelve to twenty-four pens)
- \_\_\_ Highlighters (four to six)
  
- \_\_\_ Three wireless notebooks with perforated paper (80 to 100 pages with three holes prepunched in the paper). These notebooks are different from the spiral-bound notebooks. Wireless notebooks have paper you can tear off along a clean edge.
  
- \_\_\_ Backpack (Look for a backpack with two to three pockets. Keeping your books and binders separate from your supplies makes it easier to find what you need when you need it.)

### Supplies for Home

- \_\_\_ Two packs of loose-leaf paper (a.k.a. binder paper, usually found in packs of 100 or more)
- \_\_\_ One box of pencils (twenty-four pencils)
- \_\_\_ One box of pens (twelve to twenty-four pens)
- \_\_\_ Two packs of 2 x 1-1/2 sticky notes
- \_\_\_ One stapler, desktop size. The mini-size version holds only about five staples.
- \_\_\_ One box of staples
- \_\_\_ One box of large paper clips
- \_\_\_ One three-hole punch (Buy the heavy version—it will last for years to come.)
- \_\_\_ One file crate (The traditional egg crate variety will do the job.)
- \_\_\_ One box of hanging files (which fit neatly into the egg crate)
- \_\_\_ One desktop calendar (Check the range of months and get one that begins in the summer months and continues through the following year.)
- \_\_\_ One pack of index cards (3 x 5 or 4 x 6)
- \_\_\_ One pencil sharpener (handheld or electric)

Take a second trip to the supplies store during the first week of school when your child has a complete list of required supplies from each teacher. Use the lists above as a resource that can alert your child when a followup trip is needed to refill needed supplies. Handover responsibility for maintaining the supplies bin to your child. When supplies run low you can schedule a trip to go together.