



Back-to-School Information and Supplies for Middle School Students in Grade 6

Every effort is made to support a smooth transition to Middle School for your child and your family, starting with the supply list. Two views of the supply list are provided:

- **Page 2 / Shopping View**

On page 2 of this packet, you'll find the supply list organized in broad categories, which we hope will make the purchasing process smooth.

- **Page 3 / Supplies Set Up Instructions and Information**

This details how to set up supplies and how your child will use them throughout the year.

We recommend posting this page for reference during the first few weeks of the school year.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

- Please purchase and **prepare items by August 31.**
- **Your child will bring in their materials during orientation on September 1** and the learning specialist will check that all students are ready to go.
- Most of the items on this supply list are required for your child's classes throughout Middle School; families are encouraged to reuse as many items as possible from year-to-year.
- Links to supplies are provided to clarify **recommended features**; no specific seller is endorsed for purchase.
- **All 6th graders will receive pages for a Park-specific planner** (called the *School-to-Home* binder, which will go in the 1/2" binder you purchase). Teachers will support the use of this tool.
- Additional items may be requested throughout the school year.
- **LABEL ALL ITEMS** (especially tech), as well as water bottles, backpack, and PE clothes.

6TH GRADE SUPPLIES: Shopping List

PENCIL CASE ITEMS

- Pencil case
- Highlighters (at least 2 colors)
- Pencils (mechanical OR standard)
- Colored pencils
- Medium/fine Sharpie marker
- Post-It Notes
- Spare eraser
- Blue or black pens
- 4 dry-erase markers (assorted colors)

LARGER ITEMS

- **ONE** [½" binder](#)
- **THREE** [1.5" binders](#)
- One pack [binder dividers](#) (suggested: 10-15 count)
- One pack of [sheet protectors](#)
- One [composition notebook](#)
- One ream of [loose-leaf notebook paper](#)
- [12" ruler](#); translucent/parent, unbreakable; inches & centimeters
- *Optional: [4-function calculator](#) for homework OR a [TI-30XS calculator](#) (this is suggested for 7th and 8th grades)*
- Locker organizer to fit in locker – see locker dimensions below (29" high x 14" wide x 16 " deep)

TECH REQUIREMENTS

- Laptop (click [HERE](#) for tech specifications)
- Charger. *It can be helpful to have TWO chargers: one that "lives" at school and one that "lives" at home*
- Headphones/earbuds

MODERN LANGUAGE-SPECIFIC

- FRENCH: 100 index cards
- SPANISH: 300 index cards
- SPANISH: OPTIONAL -- [Larousse Spanish Student Dictionary](#) to keep at home for homework assignments

LANGUAGE ARTS TITLES (**Additional book titles will be announced for purchase during the school year.)

- [The Hero Next Door: A We Need Diverse Books Anthology](#), Olugbemisola Rhuday-Perkovich (Editor)

MUSIC SUPPLIES (Instructors of each music ensemble will reach out with instrument-specific supply lists as needed.)

- Students in concert band/string ensemble are required to provide own instrument and [music stand](#) for home practice

PE SUPPLIES

- 1 pair **black** PE shorts, leggings/sweatpants
- 2 unisex Park PE shirts (click to purchase from the [School Store](#))

SCIENCE

- Shoes for outdoor classwork. *Rain boots are preferred; old sneakers or closed toe sandals (eg, Keens) will work. These should be kept at home until needed.*

LIBRARY

- [Click here](#) for instructions to obtain and/or enter your child's Enoch Pratt Free Library card number
- **REMINDER:** Each student should complete at least one [summer reading](#) book before the first day of school

6th GRADE SUPPLIES: Set up instructions and information

- Use this information to set up your supplies before coming to your first day of Middle School.
- Don't worry, your teachers and advisor will help work out any kinks during the first few days of school.

These items are with you all the time - they travel to and from school/home	
School to Home binder/planner ½" binder	- Schedule (students will get these at school) - Planner pages (students will get these at school) - 1 divider AND 10 sheets of loose-leaf paper
Laptop Put your name on it!	Have a designated charging spot at home. Charge each night so you don't have to use a charger during the day.
Pencil case Put your name on it!	Put the items from the shopping list in it. If you're using earbuds instead of headphones, keep these in your pencil case
These binders/materials travel with you to class; they go home as needed	
Math 1.5" binder	- Quadrule (you'll get this at school) - Ruler - Calculator (keep it in your pencil case)
Science 1.5" binder	- 3 dividers - 20 sheets of paper
French 1.5" binder	- 20-30 sheets of loose-leaf paper - 25 sheet protectors - 3 dividers - Composition notebook - Notecards
Spanish 1.5" binder	- 20-30 sheets of loose-leaf paper - 5 sheet protectors - 3 dividers - Composition notebook
You'll get these materials at school, and they'll stay in your teachers' classrooms	
Language Arts <i>Materials provided at school</i>	- Folder (your teacher will give you this at school) - Notebook (your teacher will give you this at school)
Social Studies <i>Materials provided at school</i>	- Folder (your teacher will give you this at school) - Notebook (your teacher will give you this at school)
This stuff stays in your locker AND/OR your advisor will help you learn where to store them	
Think of your locker as a personal storage unit/supply store. <i>Locker dimensions for organizer:</i> <i>Height of lockers: 29 inches</i> <i>Width of lockers: 14 inches</i> <i>Depth of lockers: 16 inches</i>	- Extra paper, dividers, sheet protectors - Books you aren't using - Headphones (if they don't fit in your pencil case) - Charger - Instrument (band/strings) - PE clothes