

## **School Supply List for Middle Elementary (ages 7 - 9)**

- \*\*\*a permanent, light-weight water bottle
- \*\*\*an easy-to-manage lunch box
- \*\*\*a couple easy-to-manage food keepers for the lunch box
- \*\*\*one ream of white paper
- \*\*\*a box of large Ziploc bags (1 gallon-sized)
- \*\*\*a complete change of clothes, including socks
- \*\*\*a white t-shirt (for tie-dye day) that is slightly too big for your child
- \*\*\*A ream of notebook paper (wide-rule)
- \*\*\*a zipper binder (not too heavy)
- \*\*\*2 pocket folders for take home work and for portfolio work
- \*\*\*a box of Ticonderoga yellow pencils (the fancy ones with decorations don't have a centered lead, so they don't sharpen very well)
- \*\*\*a DeKalb County library card in your child's name
- \*\*\*a flash drive
- \*\*\*2 or 3 bell jars with lids
- \*\*\*3 pieces of poster board (any colors)

We generally ask for whole school-type supplies (like toilet paper, cleaning stuff, washcloths, etc.) about three times a year and I'll put out a call for those things in October. That's an entirely volunteer process—some parents get all of that donated from their work and some buy 20 or 30 rolls of t.p. at Costco. It's a voluntary donation and some parents ask for a tax letter so they can write it off their taxes. We are a non-profit, so anything donated can be included as a donation to charity.

We don't encourage books bags, unless you are dying to buy one, since we want the kids to be able to carry their own stuff and it's hard to fit every thing into a book bag that a little guy could actually wear on his/her back. We do suggest a "shopping-type" cloth bag that could carry the lunchbox, artwork, etc. If it's open at the top, stuff can hang out without having to be carried separately.

Buy good solid sneakers, rather than Crocs—we walk a lot. Send a hoodie that can stay here for cold afternoons.