

Dear 2024-2025 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Students and Parents,

We are so glad to have you involved in our 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Program. The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Teachers have put together a list of items we recommend you purchase for the upcoming year. We promise this year will prepare you for your progression towards middle school. We will call upon you to grow your thinking, analyzing, organizational, testing, planning, and social skills. We promise that this year you will grow as a student, friend, and person.

As always, the school will supply the essential items that you will need to be successful in school. Please make your decisions accordingly.

Items you may need: (these items are optional; but recommended)

- 6-12 Spiral Notebooks (you might need 3-4 per subject for the year)
- 5-10 folders for project work
- Pens (assignments are to be in blue or black only)
- Pencils or mechanical pencils --- many pencils (our 6<sup>th</sup> Graders have used or lost over 30 pencils in a semester) – be sure to get enough lead to last the year.
- 5 or more boxes of tissues for classroom use
- Sharpie Markers (Black or Blue thick and thin)
- Colored Markers and colored pencils
- A donation of a package or packages of white copy paper is greatly appreciated and will be used!
- Clorox Wipes for the classroom
- Hand Sanitizer for the classroom
- 1-2 Water Bottles that are spill proof and easy to carry
- Glue Sticks
- Headphones or ear buds for iPad use (students tend to lose or forget these – so extras would be wise)
- A pencil case or bag
- A sturdy Backpack
- Be sure to have a working charger for your iPad

- If possible, please label items and set some markers, folders, and notebooks aside at home for future use at school. No need to bring everything at once.
- We ask that parents discuss the best plan for their children with regards to staying organized. Find a regular location to place school materials such as letters home, Wednesday Folders, Project materials so they are seen, not lost, and used.
- Students may use their iPad as a planner and organizer for assignments. Students will be expected to use the agenda they receive at the beginning of the year.

**Cell Phones and smart watches may be brought to school but must be turned off and kept in backpacks. Students may use their phone after school outside of the building. Please follow OPS Handbook guidelines regarding phone use, smart watches are not allowed in the classroom.**

If you have any questions or concerns about this memo, please feel free to email one of the 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers at:

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We look forward to your active support in the upcoming year!