

Supplies for Students Entering Fourth Grade

Dear Families,

Please see the attached list of supplies that your child will need and find helpful for fourth grade this year. We thank you in advance for preparing your child for a great year at Alexandria Middle School whether it be virtual or in person! You may want to help your child label and prepare supplies before their first day. We use a color-coded system to set students up for success with organization and effective materials management. It is helpful for there to be consistency throughout the classroom and the grade level, so please use the following guidelines when labeling folders and notebooks:

Notebook & Folder Colors and Labels		
Red	Math	Please label the bottom right corner of all notebooks and folders with your child's first and last name, and the subject. Example: <p style="text-align: right;">Student Name 4th Grade Math</p>
Green	LA	
Yellow	Social Studies	
Blue	Science	
Black	Spanish	
Free Choice	Music	
Free Choice	Home (folder only)	

This year, students should only bring in a few necessary supplies on the first day and keep the rest at home for now. As fourth graders, students will be expected to use supplies responsibly and be mindful not to misplace or misuse items. They will keep their extra supplies available at home and replenish their daily use classroom materials as needed. Please talk with your child to prepare them for this new responsibility and help them develop strategies for conservation and budgeting to be sure their items carry them through the academic year. We look forward to starting the new year with your child in September and are hard at work preparing for a great year!

Sincerely,

The Fourth Grade Teachers

Fourth Grade Supply List for 2020-2021

- + 2 free-choice folders for homeroom
- + 5 spiral-bound notebooks in the following colors: yellow, blue, green, red, black
- + 5 poly folders in the following colors: yellow, blue, green, red, black
- + 2 composition notebooks
- + 1 pack of fine-tip Expo Markers *
- + 5-10 packs of Post-It Notes *
- + Earbuds (to fit an iPad; no large headphones please)
- + Pencils (at least 24) (*Just a few for first days)
- + 1 small pack of colored pencils
- + 1- 2 highlighters*
- + 2-4 glue sticks*
- + Small pencil pouch or box to keep daily-use supplies neat in desk
- + *Encouraged:* Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, and Division flashcards to keep and use at home to build and maintain basic fact fluency which is essential for success in middle school math.
- + For in-person students:
 - + Face-covering/masks for daily use
 - + Personal water bottle
 - + Personal hand sanitizer or wipes
 - + Handheld pencil sharpener

Remote students will also need access to a pencil sharpener, scissors, ruler, stapler, etc. on occasion and should try to keep these in an accessible location at home.

**Please just send one of each of these items on the first day of school.*