

## Supplies for Students Entering Fourth Grade

Dear Families,

Please see the attached list of supplies that your child will need for fourth grade. We thank you in advance for preparing your child for a wonderful fourth-grade year at Alexandria Middle School! You may want to help your child label and prepare supplies at home before arriving at school on 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:

<b>Notebook &amp; Folder Colors and Labels</b>		
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:  Emily Schrack 4th Grade Math
Green	LA	
Yellow	Social Studies	
Blue	Science	
Black	Spanish	
Free Choice	Music	
Free Choice	Home (folder only)	

Supplies can be sent to school on the first day, with smaller items in a labeled gallon-size ziplock bag. Students will be expected to use supplies responsibly and be mindful not to misplace or misuse items. Students will keep their extra supplies in the ziplock bag in their locker to replenish their daily use classroom materials as needed. Please talk with your child at home 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 2019-2020

- 1 one-inch three ring binder
- 1 pack of 5 tab dividers
- 2 free-choice folders for homeroom and music
- 5 spiral-bound notebooks in the following colors: yellow, blue, green, red, black
- 5 poly folders in the following colors: yellow, green, blue, red, black
- 1 composition notebook
- 1 pack of lined paper
- A pack of 5-10 fine-tip Expo Markers
- 10-15 packs of Post-It Notes
- Earbuds (to fit an iPad; no large headphones please)
- Pencils (at least 24; please avoid plastic-wrapped decorative pencils)
- 1 small pack of colored pencils
- 1 small pack of highlighters
- 1 pack of 3-5 glue sticks
- Small pencil pouch or box to keep daily-use supplies neat in desk
- Optional:* Minimal amount of locker accessories or decorations such as magnets, pencil holder, etc.
- 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.