



August 1, 2016

Dear Parents,

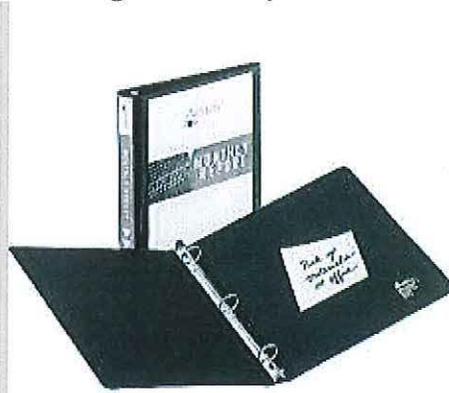
Hello! I hope everyone is having a great summer. I am sure everyone is very busy. Don't forget to remind your child to slow down and relax with some good books this summer.

I am writing to let you know the items your child will need for third grade this year. I realize many parents like to get the shopping done early so that school items can be secured before the "Back-To- School" rush.

Items needed for Third Grade:

1. **One hard covered salt and pepper composition book** (black and white marbled cover, labeled, please). The type that holds 100 sheets is best.
2. **Glue Sticks.** Typically, four small glue sticks will be needed for the year. Please label the glue stick package or each individual glue stick with your child's name. I will keep the glue sticks in my paper closet. This way, your child will have a constant supply and we will not have to worry about buying glue sticks throughout the year.
3. **Lots of pencils and erasers.** It would help if the pencils are pre-sharpened. Please, no "designer" pencils with plastic or glitter coatings- they ruin sharpeners.
4. **1 Highlighter-** yellow (labeled, please)
5. **A box of crayons** (16 count is best, labeled, please)
6. **A plastic pocket folder** of any color. The plastic pocket folder will hold your child's writing for the year. It will be used daily so a sturdy folder is a must. You may label your child's name on the folder, and then I will attach a label entitled "Writing".
7. **Colored Pencils:** Please purchase a pack of colored pencils. We will need these for map work and science notes. It would help if the pencils can be pre-sharpened. Crayola twistable colored pencils work really well and don't need constant sharpening. (label, please)

8. A **one and a half inch three ring-binder** of your child's color choice.



A picture representation: \*Please do not purchase a notebook with a picture on it (ie Kitties, puppies etc.) A plain notebook is best. If you can find a notebook with a clear plastic pocket on the outside, that would even be better!

9. **Pencil cases** that are in the form of hard, plastic boxes are difficult to fit into full student desks. If your child would like to bring a pencil organizer, it would be helpful if a pencil case made of soft- shelled material like vinyl or canvas were purchased.
10. **A Music Folder:** Mrs. Swartz, our music teacher, requests that your child brings a plastic pocket folder, labeled with your child's name.
11. **An Art Shirt**
12. **A special request:** If your family has used pencils around the house that could be donated to our classroom, I'd welcome them. Third graders go through a lot of pencils during the year and having a constant back-up supply is necessary. I will welcome used pencils all through the year.

Thank you!  
Mrs. E. Cleveland