



Supplies Suggested for Mrs. Crystal's Class:

Supplies will be provided for all students, but if you are able to provide these supplies it really helps out the Chrysalis budget.

1. Backpack - will be brought to school each day
2. Composition Book –College Ruled (without picture box type). Can be any color theme cover.
3. Pencil sharpeners with cage to catch shavings for the classroom
4. Pencils - 2 or more Ticonderoga brand #2 preferred
5. 2 Pocket Folders (2) -1 of them can be any style graphics-used for graded work to go home in and 1 of a plain color (any color) with three prongs and plastic preferred to last longer, this one will be for homework to go home in
6. Pencil Pouch with a zipper - will be used for Field Study. Please label with your child's name.
7. Glue Sticks- 1 package Elmers preferred
8. Crayons – 1 packages Crayola preferred
9. Colored Pencils – 12 or 24 pack Crayola preferred
10. Refillable water bottle with a secure lid labeled with child's name.
11. Headphones- We use several computerized programs that require students use headphones. Send them in a quart size zip-loc bag clearly labeled with your child's name on the bag and on the headphones.

Additional supplies – Wish list Items for Our Classroom

These items are items we can always use in the class. Items donated count toward one hour of parent volunteer time per \$10. If you choose to donate any of the list items below, please label the item with "Donated by _____ Family" with your family name inserted on the line. Save the receipt and turn it in to the office with your family name on it and log the donation for volunteer hours.

Epson Printer Ink Cartridges 200 (color) and 200 (black)

Kleenex Tissues

Non-toxic sanitizing wipes for tables

Hand Sanitizer (with pump)

Essential oils safe for diffusing in our class diffuser

Expo fun colors ("intense color") whiteboard markers regular size and fine

Package of colored Sharpies regular size and/or fine

We also have an Amazon class wish list you can find on our class website or the link below. It has some items we would love to have in our classroom!

Amazon Class Wish List: <http://a.co/3NfXxzN>



Dear 3rd Grade Families,

I hope you are all having a great summer. I am so happy to be teaching your children this year! **Welcome to a new year at Chrysalis!** We are looking forward to getting to know our new students and families. It is our desire for your child to feel comfortable, safe, and happy at school, so please feel free to contact us if you have any concerns or questions. The best time to catch me is after school, since before school I am busy finalizing plans for the day. We appreciate your respect for our morning planning time. The morning routine in 3rd grade will be for the students to hang their backpacks outside and head directly to the playground until the wolf howl when they will line up and will be welcomed inside for an amazing day! We look forward to a great year with your child. We have found that in order to build a strong classroom community and to help our students get settled with new routines, it works best to have parent volunteers start helping out the 3rd or 4th week of school, rather than the first few weeks

We welcome and need parent volunteers in the classroom. One of our biggest needs for the classroom is a volunteer who can **faithfully** volunteer every Monday morning for about 30-45 minutes each week to help check in homework and put the next week's homework in the folders. If there were a Monday holiday, then I would need help on that next day (Tuesday) morning. One other important job that we need is a parent who can **faithfully** make copies, laminate and do prep work each week. I will be sending an email through Parent Square with a Sign Up about other volunteer jobs very soon. Please look for the Sign Up Genius (or check our class website for it now for a head start) and choose a job that suits your schedule. You can also let me know right away if there is a job that sounds like a good fit for your family.

I would encourage you to check our class website regularly at <https://crystal.chrysalischarterschool.org> where you can find lots of information, resources, and pictures. The 3rd grade supplies list can be found on the homepage of the site. I have also included it on the next page for your convenience.

A Few Reminders:

Stay Positive! The first few weeks are exhausting to young children after a summer of leisure and fun. They will come home tired. Please make sure your child receives plenty of sleep at night and plan ahead to make mornings as smooth as possible.

Send a snack! Please be sure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and send a snack for the morning recess. High-energy snacks are best, including cheese, fruit, and vegetables and nuts, but please avoid sending sugary foods.

Read with your child! The best teacher is a parent who models the love of reading and makes time to read with his/her child. We will be sending weekly homework in a few weeks. Please take the time to make homework a priority early on in the school year. Students feel good about themselves when they are able to turn in their homework on time. Turning homework in on time helps to build study habits that will carry your child into successful high school and college years.

Parent Communication Folder

Send a backpack with your child each day and check the backpack each afternoon and look for the clear parent folder. This is how we will send home important papers and is a place that you can return any papers that need information from you; and to send money or notes to us. ***It is our lifeline of communication between home and school.*** The folder will **only come home** when we have papers to send home. Please promptly empty and **return the folder the next day.** This helps to keep the important papers tidy and not crumpled in the bottom of a backpack or blowing around the playground. If a child is missing the parent folder we will not send the important papers until it has been returned. Corrected work will be sent home about once a month in the "STAR" folder. Please look through this work and praise your child for a job well done. Return the empty folder to school the next school day.

We will be writing and sharing about our summer vacations on Tuesday, August 22nd. Please take a few minutes prior to this day to reminisce your summer days together to help brainstorm lots of ideas to incorporate into this writing project. Each student is encouraged to bring in items to share about his/her vacation. Some examples of things to bring are: a special shell or rock, photos (only a few), souvenirs, travel brochures or anything that is a reminder of summer vacation. Please bring in **no more than three** things to share. We are off to a fabulous year together!

Sincerely,
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