

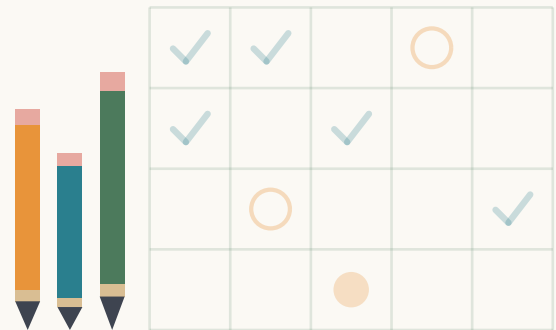


AN ARDENT WORKSHOP PRODUCT

Supply & Forms Checklist

The supplies to buy and the forms to return — one page per child.

22 supplies · 20 forms · free



The supplies to buy

Print one per child, write their name at the top, and check items off as they land in the cart. This is a cross-grade starting list, elementary through high school — the Typical of column says which band each item is usually asked for at, so you can skip the ones that do not apply. It is a list to start from in July, before your school's own list comes home. When it does, work from that.

CHILD	GRADE / SCHOOL	BUDGET FOR THIS TRIP

Got it	Item	Typical qty	Typical of	Category	Price paid
	Pencils, #2, pre-sharpened	24–48	K–2	Writing	
	Large eraser blocks	2–4	K–2	Writing	
	Wide-ruled composition notebooks	2–4	K–2	Paper	
	Two-pocket folders (plain colors)	2–4	K–2	Organization	
	Plastic pencil / supply box	1	K–2	Organization	
	Backpack (no wheels at many schools)	1	K–2	Backpack & lunch	
	Insulated lunch bag and reusable water bottle	1 each	K–2	Backpack & lunch	
	Tissues, disinfecting wipes, paper towels	1–2 each	K–2	Classroom	
	Colored pencils, 12–24 count	1 set	3–5	Writing	
	Highlighters	2–4	3–5	Writing	
	Wide- or college-ruled loose-leaf paper	2–3 packs	3–5	Paper	
	Spiral or composition notebooks	3–5	3–5	Paper	
	Three-ring binder, 1–1.5 inch	1–2	3–5	Organization	
	Binder dividers with tabs	1–2 sets	3–5	Organization	
	Homework or take-home folder	1	3–5	Organization	
	Binder or accordion file per subject block	1–3	6–8	Organization	

Got it	Item	Typical qty	Typical of	Category	Price paid
	Student planner or agenda	1	6–8	Organization	
	Locker shelf and small magnetic organizer	1	6–8	Organization	
	College-ruled paper and notebooks	4–6	6–8	Paper	
	Pens (blue or black) and red pens for peer grading	6–12	6–8	Writing	
	Mechanical pencils and lead refills	1 pack each	6–8	Writing	
	Binders, notebooks, or a single accordion file	2–5	9–12	Organization	

Total spent: _____ Still to buy: _____

The forms to return

The forms and records schools commonly ask families for. Write the due date beside each one as it comes home, and check it off the day it goes back. Cross out anything your school doesn't ask for, and add what it does.

DO THE ONES NEEDING SOMEONE ELSE'S SIGNATURE FIRST

A sports physical, a medication authorization, an allergy or asthma action plan — these depend on an appointment you don't control, and August is when every other family is calling the pediatrician too. The same goes for anything with a summer deadline: bus registration and meal benefits often close before the school year starts.

Done	Form or record	Category	Due	Returned
	Proof of residency	Enrollment & identity		
	Birth certificate or proof of age			
	Emergency contact and release form			
	Custody, guardianship, or court order documentation			
	Immunization record	Health & medical		
	Physical examination / health appraisal form			
	Sports physical / athletic participation clearance			
	Medication authorization			
	Allergy, asthma, or seizure action plan			
	Dental and vision screening results			
	Photo and media release	Permissions & releases		
	Directory information / privacy opt-out			
	Field trip permission slip			
	Student and family handbook acknowledgment			
	Bus registration or route request	Transportation		

Done	Form or record	Category	Due	Returned
	Change of transportation / alternate pickup note			
	Student parking permit			
	Meal benefit application	Meals & financial		
	Meal account setup and top-up			
	Fee waiver or assistance request			

Requirements differ by district, by state, and by year. This is a checklist to work from — your school's own packet is the authority on what it actually needs and when.

When a checklist stops being enough

A printed checklist works right up until there are two or three children, forty items, and a dozen forms with different deadlines — and then you're back to re-reading the whole page to find the one thing that's late.

The full workbook is the same list with the arithmetic done for you. Enter a form's due date once and it rates itself Returned, Due soon, OVERDUE, or Not started against today — per child, in color. Supply lists cost themselves out against a budget. Activity fees total per child. And it carries forward, so next August starts from this August instead of a blank page.

THE FULL BACK-TO-SCHOOL FAMILY ORGANIZER & RECORDS WORKBOOK

Eleven connected tabs in Excel and Google Sheets, plus four PDF guides — the due-date engine, supply costs against budget, activity fees, a same-day pickup flag, key-date countdowns, a season dashboard, and a year-over-year recap. Plus the full references this page is drawn from: 47 supply items across four grade bands with the reasoning, and all 24 forms with what each one is and where to get it. [See the full workbook >](#)

A note on what this is. This checklist organizes records your household already has. It is not medical, legal, educational, or financial advice, and it does not tell you what your school, district, or state requires — the supply and forms lists describe common patterns to work from, and your school's own packet is the authority. Immunization requirements and exemptions in particular are set by your state or local health authority and the school. Keep sensitive documents in your own secure files. Free to use; please don't resell or redistribute.