

DREHER HIGH SCHOOL
2022-2023 GENERAL SCHOOL SUPPLY SUGGESTIONS

Please note that the following list has been compiled by departments, but that it may not be exhaustive. Teachers have discretion on how instruction is organized, so some supplies below may not be used in every classroom and other supplies may be communicated by the teacher on the first day. This is provided to give parents a general list so that basic supplies can be purchased for school.

Suggested Supplies for all Classes:

- Weekly Academic Planner
- Ruled Notebook Paper
- Pencils (#2 preferred, mechanical ok)
- Pens (blue or black ink)
- Erasers
- Highlighters
- Colored Pencils
- Various folders
- Binder(s)
- Dividers to organize binders
- Plastic or Metal (No Glass) reusable Water Bottle.
- Backpacks or Messenger Bag

Specific to Fine Arts Classes:

Dance

- Leotard and Leggings
- 1/2" Three-Ring binder (color for level of Dance class: D1-pink, D2-green, D3-blue, D4-purple)

Theatre 1-4

- Journal/Notebook

Art 1-4

- Sketch Book & Number 2 wooden pencil

Chorus

- Journal
- Highlighter

Specific to Math Classes:

- Dedicated Binder for course
 - Graph Paper
 - Calculator: The following graphic calculators may be purchased:
 - o CP Courses: TI-84
 - o Honors Courses: Ti-NSpire CX
 - o AP Courses: TI-NSpire CAS
- For parents who do not want to invest in these graphing calculators, a scientific calculator, at least, is required.

Specific to English Courses:

- A composition book
- Some English teachers may expect certain books or novels be purchased. These will be listed on the course syllabus on the first day.

Specific to PE/Weight Room Classes:

- Sneakers
- Shorts (no Spandex allowed)
- T-shirt (no crop tops or cutoff sleeves)

Specific to Career, Technology, Engineering (CTE) Classes:

- Flash Drive
- One Subject Notebook

GETTING YOUR STUDENT ORGANIZED FOR SUCCESS THIS SCHOOL YEAR

Importance of Organization

One of the most important skills that will help students succeed in any school year is to learn how to stay organized. Since high school is divided into multiple classes in various subject areas, it is important for students to begin the school year with organizational skills in mind. Teachers need parents' support in helping students get organized from day one.

Physical Organization

High school students are notorious for stuffing items into a bag or textbook and rummaging through crumpled papers, urgently searching for that one piece of homework they need. Organizing items into folders, binders, and bags will help students find what they need when they need it.

Bookbags

All students need some sort of bag to keep their school supplies, books, district laptop, and assignments. Different bags work for different students. Some students like to have two bookbags (one for A-day and one for B-day). Some students, especially those who have some classes that meet every day, are at a higher risk of losing items. Students will need to carry supplies for eight classes (4 per day). When choosing a bag or bags, consider schedules and students' existing organizational skills to determine what will work best.

- Does your student need two bags?
- Will your student keep up with switching out what is needed for A-Days vs. B-Days?
- How heavy will a bag be with textbooks, laptop, and supplies?

Binders

Some classes might ask for a dedicated binder for each class, while others will ask for a dedicated

section of a binder for their class. Either way, it is important for students to think through how they will organize their binders.

- Will you need separate sections for one course? (i.e., notes, homework, classwork, etc).
- Will you need to keep materials for an entire course and need a bigger binder, or will you be able to change materials out as the year goes on?

Some of these questions won't be able to be answered until class has started.

Folders

Folders are another cornerstone of organization. Encouraging students to put *everything* into a folder will avoid the mess that can easily accrue in a bookbag. For instance, you might choose to have a folder for homework only, deciding that incomplete homework goes in the left pocket, and completed homework goes into the right pocket, ready to turn in or be checked. Additionally, you may want to color code binders (or sections) and folders for each class.

Time Management

The next most important area of organization is time management and planning. All students should have an agenda book/weekly academic planner in which to record daily homework assignments, upcoming tests, and project due dates. Getting in the habit of writing these down during *each* and *every* class will help students stay on track. There are also digital calendars that can be used with reminders. Students have to decide what works for them. Sometimes an old fashioned pen and paper planner helps to separate and prioritize what needs to be done from everything else.