École Grosvenor-Wentworth Park School School Supply List 2024-25 Grade Two

To assist you in purchasing school supplies for your child we have prepared this list of materials:

Courier/message bag with zipper (can be purchased at Dollarama, about 10 X 13" in size) Solid fabric, not the colourful mesh bags, please.
Crayons - pack of 24 (Crayola is best, and often the lowest price–Walmart and Staples will be cheaper than Dollarama for this item)
Pack of coloured pencils (preferably Crayola. These are often the cheapest in the sales. Crayola erasable coloured pencils can also be very useful, but are more expensive.
Pack of washable, thin tip, classic colour markers (preferably Crayola)
Pack of washable, broad or thick tip, classic colour markers (preferably Crayola)
Sharpie brand black permanent markers (for art)
Sharpened pencils (Dollar store brand is NOT recommended as they do not sharpen well. Ticonderoga and Staedtler are two reliable brands. Papermate and Dixon are also good. Please do not buy pencils with a latex or plastic coating over the woodthese ruin the pencil sharpeners. Thanks.)
Hand-held pencil sharpener with a case to catch shavings (a screw-on lid is better than a snap closure. Staedtler brand is usually very good.)
1 hard-sided plastic pencil case (a plain box with no dividers is best)
White erasers – (preferably Staples or Staedtler–the Dollarama brand is not good for this item)
Pair of scissors (with metal blades)
Glue sticks -the large 40g size, please (the small ones break easily and do not last long)
Paper 2-pocket folders (no metal clips, just pockets) - Staples or Walmart have best price 2 red, 2 blue and 2 green and 2 white, if possible
Plastic 2-pocket folders (no metal clips, just pockets) - Dollarama is very good for this product. Staples and Walmart also good.
Hilroy 72-page exercise books (23 cm X 18 cm) 1/2 plain, 1/2 with primary lines (dotted middle line). These are usually green or yellow.
Package of 4 exercise books with lines (Hilroy or Canadiana are two good brands)
Package of lined, loose-leaf paper
Package of 10 clear page protectors (Heavy weight ones are nice, if you can find them. Dollarama Studio brand heavyweight page protectors are very good for this item.)
Thin-tipped Dry Erase markers (black and blue are best) Expo brand is best. Dollarama Studio brand markers do not last.) We use these daily for both phonics and math.
Sketchbook for artabout 9 X 12" (Not an expensive one, please. Dollarama carries a sketch pad for about

- Please feel free to reuse previous year's supplies if you can no need to buy new if you have items that are in usable condition
- Your child may be able to reuse last year's backpack--that's great! If you are going to be purchasing a new backpack, please be sure that it is large enough to hold the courier bag mentioned above, as well as your child's lunch bag, water bottle, change of clothes, sweater, etc.. A large backpack is actually easier for your child to manage than a too-small one, and the zipper will last longer. :-)

Your child we also need:

- A lunch bag to hold snack and lunch
- A no-spill water bottle (not the metal Stanley-type cups. These are too big for school.)

Please label both of these items with your child's name.

We have also included the following list of **optional items** for your consideration.

- 1 pair indoor shoes to be left at school (gym shoes/sneakers are best) Please put your child's name on these.
- 1 box of large Ziploc bags or 1 box of smaller, sandwich-size Ziploc bags We go through so many of these through the year!
- 2 boxes of facial tissues (We won't need these all in September. You can send them later in the year.)
- 1 pump bottle of hand sanitizer (not scented)
- 1 package of unscented baby wipes
- **1 headphone set** (preferably headphones that go over the ears, not in the ears) If you can label these and put them inside a ziploc bag with your child's name that would be great!
- 1 package white copy paper
- 1 fine-point black Sharpie
- **1-2 thin highlighters** (light colours like yellow are best)

What to do with all these supplies:

Since our first days will be very busy, you can help us out by filling your child's pencil box with a pair of scissors, 1 glue stick, 1 eraser, 1 box of crayons, 2 sharpened pencils and the pencil sharpener. (Please make sure the sharpener you buy does fit inside the box.)

Please put all the other small items in a large zip lock or similar kind of clear bag with your child's full name clearly written on the outside.

Put scribblers, sketchbook and other large items into a grocery or other large bag with your child's full name clearly written on the outside of the bag.

Please don't label any of the individual supplies, as we will be using computer-generated labels for many of the items, and creating our own labels for other things. Some supplies will be used individually, while others are shared in a table group. Thanks.

* We have included projected amounts of supplies so that you may take advantage of back-to-school sales. **School supplies are so much cheaper in August and September!** The brands we have suggested are not usually any more expensive, and are often the ones featured in the back to school sales. We suggest these brands because we know that they are good quality and will last through the year. The amounts suggested here are meant to last all year, but if your child runs out we may send a note home to let you know that they need more pencils or glue, etc..

Stores where we often find the best prices in the back-to-school sales are Walmart, Staples and sometimes the smaller pharmacies like Pharmasave. Giant Tiger sometimes has good prices. Be aware that Dollarama has good prices for some items, but is considerably more expensive for others (crayons are usually double the other stores, for example). Some "Studio" brand items at Dollarama are very low quality, and are frustrating to use. Back-to-school sale prices at Walmart and other stores are often cheaper than Dollarama's regular prices.