

## Grades 5 Trailblazers (Ms. Desjarlais)

Please note that there are student with latex allergies in the middle school. While the Trailblazers do not share rooms with the middle school, it may be good to become familiar with latex-free supplies as next year you will be in middle school. Latex-free supplies would include: pencils, erasers, pencil grips, binders, book covers, elastic bands, etc. Most mechanical pencils seem to have non-latex erasers. Everything from Ticonderoga seems to be latex-free. A lot of companies have started labeling their eraser packages and pencils if they're latex-free. Several brands (BIC, Paper mate, and Walmart brand) of pencil grips are labeled latex-free or gel (gel is good too). Please no "fancy" pencils unless they have been labeled latex-free. Duct tape contains latex, so please do not use it on binders. If you are unsure, please check with the manufacturer!

- (1) Red 1" three ring **hard cover** binder with pocket on the inside of each cover
- (1) Black 1" three ring **hard cover** binder with pocket on the inside of each cover
- (1) Green 1" three ring **hard cover** binder with pocket on the inside of each cover
- (1) Blue 1" three ring **hard cover** binder with pocket on the inside of each cover
- (1) White 1" three ring **hard cover** binder with pocket on the inside of each cover (French students only. You do not need this if your Trapper has a section you will dedicate to French class.)

Note: If you have binders from last year, and they are still in **useable** condition, you may use them again this year.

- (1) Three ring binder or Trapper-style binder for homework
- One** three-hole punched 2-pocket folder (to go in the Trapper for homework; this is not necessary if your Trapper comes with folders.)
- Notebook paper for red, blue, green, and white (if taking French) three-ring binders; keep some at home as well (a year's supply; remember to include your language classes in your estimate!)
- One "marble" notebook

Note: If your journal from last year has plenty of space, feel free to reuse it.

- Pencils (enough for a year)
- Hand-held pencil sharpener to be kept in binder
- Pencil erasers

Note: In general, white erasers are latex-free. Bic and Pentel mechanical pencils with white erasers are latex free, as are Ticonderoga brand wooden pencils.

- Highlighters (pink, blue, yellow, green)
- Glue sticks (one package to be kept in the classroom)
- Binder-sized three hole punch that can clip into your Trapper (French students only)
- One pair of earbuds to be kept in school (please put earbuds in a container labeled with your name)
- 5-10 Packages of 3x5 index cards; you may need to replenish these as the year continues.
- Extra clothes (pants, shirt, undergarments - to be kept in locker; may need to be updated seasonally)

Optional:

- One flash or thumb drive or access to one if necessary for PowerPoint  
Note: If your flash drive from last year has plenty of space, feel free to reuse it. Fifth graders are assigned Google accounts, without access to email, so much of their work will be saved on their Google drive.
- Markers or colored pencils
- Hole reinforcers (1 package)
- Clorox wipes or other comparable wipe (to be kept in the classroom)
- Kleenex (1 box) to be shared in the classroom

Part of the goal of the Trailblazers is to prepare the students for middle school. Our first order of business is teaching organizational skills. Please help us begin the year in an organized fashion by bringing your supplies to school on the first day! We suggest putting your child's name or initials on **ALL** supplies, including pencils, erasers, etc. Sharpies work well for labeling the supplies. The only items we ask you **not** to label are the 5 three-ring binders, tissues, and Clorox wipes. Academy Hill will provide each student with their agenda.