

## Suggested Supplies

For organization – Students are welcome to use another system if they prefer.

I suggest students keep materials in a folder for the class and buy many folders of that one color, so that when we are done with a unit, they can take the folder home and put it in a box or filing cabinet and bring a new one of the same color for the new unit. I then model keeping a table of contents of the work we put in the folder.

This system transfers well to high school classes.

### Planner?

If students don't use their planner, I suggest a small journal they can carry unobtrusively that they can jot down a running to-do list in, scratching things off as they are completed. Boys especially like this.

### Always used

Pencils

An editing pen – red? or any color they like – green, purple, etc. – used when we improve our notes

Lined paper

A sharpie marker – black ultrafine – used when we make maps

Colored pencils – used when we map

A good eraser

A hand-held sharpener

### Sometimes used/Useful

Bolder Sharpies

Double-stick tape

Rubber cement

A good eraser

A hand-held sharpener

These are just suggested supplies.

Rochester Schools must supply all necessary supplies for curricular course work if a student is unable. This does not mean that a student should show up with nothing. Students should let me or a counselor know if they have any problem with supplies before supplies are needed. The necessary supplies will be provided based on the need shown, then the student will bring them to class daily as do the other students.

It is important for students to bring their supplies to class for three reasons:

- Bringing their supplies builds responsibility.
- Students who come to class without supplies disrupt our ability to move into work while we get them set up, either asking me to stop and get them the needed materials or taking them from other students.
- The district gives teachers a limited budget for supplies for all the school hours of the year, so supplies taken by students take away from that budget or the budget of the teacher herself or the other students who kindly share.