

2014 – 2015 SCHOOL SUPPLIES
MACKINTOSH ACADEMY, LITTLETON CAMPUS

Pre-Kindergarten

For your child:

- ☐ Backpack (please ensure that your child can carry and no roller backpacks)
- ☐ Lunch box (for LUNCH and SNACK) with reusable containers, utensils, and water bottle
- ☐ Indoor non-marking gym shoes (preferably Velcro & these stay at school all year)
- ☐ Extra clothing in gallon-size zip lock bag with name (to replace wet clothes)
- ☐ OPTIONAL – shin guards and eye protection for sport activities
- ☐ For Spanish: Ticonderoga “My first” Pencil 4 ct.

To be kept/shared in the classroom (per student):

- ☐ Crayola, 16 ct. Large Crayons
- ☐ Crayola, 8 ct. Watercolor Paints
- ☐ Colored Pencils, 24 ct.
- ☐ 1 pkg construction paper-all same color
(email lisa@mackintoshacademy.com 8/1-8/6 for color)
- ☐ 1 roll double-stick tape
- ☐ 1 – 3pk Clorox wipes
- ☐ 1 box of tissues
- ☐ 1 – 3” clear view White Binder (Portfolio – used for next several grades)
- ☐ 1 – 1 ½” clear view White Binder
- ☐ 25 clear page protectors

In an effort to be both cost effective and avoid stockpiling supplies, the following are desired for the classroom but in smaller amounts. If you would like to contribute any of the following, please let me know, with much appreciation, by email lisa@mackintoshacademy.com 8/1-8/6:

- *3- 4pks generic colored sponges *1 ream of white card stock *1- 6pk AA batteries
- *20 pieces of felt-mixed colors *1 pkg colored rubber bands
- *1- 24ct. Ticonderoga #2 HB pencils

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Kindergarten

- ☐ Backpack
- ☐ 1½” Binder with pocket and clear plastic cover
- ☐ 3” Binder with pocket and clear plastic cover
- ☐ 1 package of 12 x 18 white construction paper
- ☐ Sharpened #2 pencils wood/yellow (48 ct.)
- ☐ 1 package of 8 1/2 x 11 copy paper
- ☐ 1 box multi-color dry erase makers
- ☐ 1 package of reusable scotch tape
- ☐ 2 bottles of white liquid Elmer’s washable glue
- ☐ 1 package of 3 x 3 multicolor sticky Notes
- ☐ One plastic two pocket folder, with prongs
- ☐ Reusable water bottle
- ☐ Lunch box (for LUNCH and SNACK) with reusable containers, utensils, and water bottle
- ☐ Indoor non-marking gym shoes (preferably Velcro, these stay at school all year)
- ☐ Extra clothing in gallon-size zip lock bag in case of accidents (1 set for spring/fall, 1 set for winter)
- ☐ 1 box plastic forks and spoons only (no knives)
- ☐ 1 box of 5 oz. paper cups
- ☐ 1 box Kleenex
- ☐ OPTIONAL – shin guards and eye protection for sport activities
- ☐ For Spanish:
 - Ticonderoga pencils 12 ct #2 HB
 - Glue Sticks 3 ct.

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1st and 2nd Grade

- ☐ Backpack
- ☐ Glue stick (3)
- ☐ Crayola Classic Color Fine Line Markers, 10 ct.
- ☐ Crayola Classic Color Broad Line Markers, 10 ct.
- ☐ Ticonderoga sharpened pencils #2, 48 ct.
- ☐ Small, durable pencil box to keep inside desk
- ☐ (3) Heavy weight plastic folder; bottom pockets, no prongs
- ☐ (2) 1" binders
- ☐ (1) 3" binder
- ☐ (2) Composition books (no designs please)
- ☐ 1 package of 8 ½ x 11 copy paper
- ☐ 1 package of multi colored dry erase markers
- ☐ 1 package of 3 x 3 multicolor sticky notes
- ☐ Lunch box (for LUNCH and SNACK) with reusable containers, utensils, and water bottle
- ☐ Indoor non-marking gym shoes (preferably Velcro, these stay at school all year)
- ☐ Extra clothing in gallon-size zip lock bag in case of accidents
- ☐ OPTIONAL – shin guards and eye protection for sport activities
- ☐ Reusable water bottle (labeled with child's name)

For Spanish:

- ☐ Fiskars 7" student scissors 1 ct.
- ☐ Ticonderoga pencils #2 HB 12 ct

Please email lara@mackintoshacademy.com if you would like to donate any of the following items for our classroom:

- ☐ Plastic forks
- ☐ Plastic spoons
- ☐ Box 5 oz. paper cups
- ☐ Kleenex
- ☐ 12 x 18 White construction paper
- ☐ Rolls of designer duct tape (to decorate math and reading journals)

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3rd and 4th Grade

Individual supplies for each student

- ☐ Backpack
- ☐ Lunch box (for **LUNCH and SNACK**) with reusable containers and utensils
- ☐ Reusable water bottle (labeled with child's name)
- ☐ Indoor non-marking gym shoes (these stay at school all year)
- ☐ Manual pencil sharpener with holder for shavings – labeled with name
- ☐ Small, durable pencil box to keep inside desk
- ☐ 2" white binder with clear view front
- ☐ 1/2" colored binder with inside pockets
- ☐ Solid color, three-hole punched, two-pocket folder (2)
- ☐ Spiral bound notebook, wide ruled
- ☐ 2 composition books
- ☐ Package of mechanical pencils – labeled with name
- ☐ Package of refill leads for mechanical pencils – labeled with name
- ☐ Gmail Account
- ☐ OPTIONAL – shin guards and eye protection for sport activities

For Spanish Classroom:

- ☐ One 1 ½ inch 3 ring binder.
- ☐ Crayola Classic Crayons 24 ct.
- ☐ Ticonderoga pencils #2 HB 12 ct.

To be kept/shared in the classroom (per student):

- ☐ Set of 24 (or more) colored markers
- ☐ Highlighting markers (2 colors)
- ☐ Pair of good quality scissors (big kid, pointed tip)
- ☐ Package of 3" x 5" or 4" by 6" index cards
- ☐ 24, wooden, #2B pencils - sharpened
- ☐ 2 Pink Pearl Erasers
- ☐ 1 package of Post-Its, any style
- ☐ 2 rolls double-stick tape (permanent, ½")
- ☐ 1 package dry erase markers
- ☐ 1 package of Ziploc bags

Additional technology pieces for 4th grade students

- ☐ 1 USB Thumb drive (labeled with name)
- ☐ Laptop/Netbook with built-in Wireless, Internet, Word Processing, Spreadsheet, and Presentation software. (See guide below.)

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5th – 6th Grades

- ☐ 1 ½” binder
- ☐ 5 cut binder dividers with pockets
- ☐ 100 sheets lined paper (divided in binder)
- ☐ Water bottle
- ☐ Pencil sharpener
- ☐ 1” binder
- ☐ 4 Composition notebooks
- ☐ Notebook pouch or pencil box
- ☐ Indoor, non-marking gym shoes (these stay at school all year)
- ☐ USB Thumb drive
- ☐ (2) Texas Instruments TI-30Xa Scientific Calculators (one for home, one for school)
- ☐ Laptop/Netbook with built-in Wireless, Internet, Word Processing, Spreadsheet, and Presentation software. (Does not need to be new. SIMPLE and reliable is best.)
- ☐ Gmail Account
- ☐ OPTIONAL – shin guards and eye protection for sport activities
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For Spanish Classroom

- 1 Spiral Notebook containing two pockets and 1 folder
- Crayola Classic Colored Pencils 24 ct
- Glue Sticks 3 ct

To be kept/shared in the classroom (per student):

- ☐ 1 set of colored markers
- ☐ 1 set of colored pencils
- ☐ 12-inch ruler (with cm)
- ☐ Highlighting markers (2 colors)
- ☐ Pair of good quality scissors
- ☐ Pack of 3” x 5” index cards
- ☐ 2 Glue sticks
- ☐ 20 #2B pencils (mechanical or wooden)
- ☐ 20 Pens (blue or black)

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7th and 8th Grades

To be kept by students (please label all student items clearly with student's name):

- ☐ Backpack that will fit into a small locker
- ☐ One 1½" binder
- ☐ 5 plastic dividers with pockets for binder to separate subjects
- ☐ Four ½" binders with pockets (technology, visual arts, performing arts, Spanish)
- ☐ Four Composition Notebooks (math, science, Language & Literature, humanities)
- ☐ Indoor, closed toe, non-marking sturdy gym shoes (these stay at school all year)
- ☐ Laptop/Netbook with Built in Wireless Capability, Internet, Word Processing, spreadsheet and presentation software (See guide below.)
- ☐ Gmail Account
- ☐ one package colored pencils
- ☐ 1 set thin markers
- ☐ one pair scissors
- ☐ Geometry only: one protractor and one compass (metal, nice quality)
- ☐ 2 packs 3"x5" index cards
- ☐ one 12" ruler with cm markings
- ☐ (2) Texas Instruments TI-30Xa Scientific Calculators (one for home, one for school)
- ☐ OPTIONAL – shin guards and eye protection for sport activities

For Spanish:

- ☐ 1 Spiral Notebook containing two pockets
- ☐ 1 folder
- ☐ Crayon Markers Thick (8 count)

To be kept/shared in the classroom (per student):

- ☐ 20 pens (black or blue only)
- ☐ 20 #2B pencils (mechanical or wooden)
- ☐ College-ruled ream(s) of paper (500 sheets)
- ☐ Graph Paper (quad ruled, three hole punched – 50 sheets)
- ☐ 2 highlighters
- ☐ 3 glue sticks
- ☐ 3 black Sharpies
- ☐ Box of tissues
- ☐ Papermate Pink Pearl regular erasers (2)

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Tips for buying your child their first Laptop/ Netbook:

Buying a laptop for your child as a school tool can be a daunting task. Striking the balance between buying a laptop that will be an effective tool for your child while managing the budgetary needs of your family can be a challenge. To help you with this task, we've put together the following list garnered from the past two years of working in the classroom with fourth graders and their computers.

1) Please, No Tablets: The tablet is an amazing machine and certainly has a place in your overall technology life, but tablets are hampered by their limitations to their platform's app store, a dependency on the cloud, a lack of direct connectivity to other devices (such as printers) and their tendency to be viewed more as entertainment devices than productivity tools by children. Editing written work also is difficult. Tablets are great in the older grades to view online textbooks, but only in addition to a laptop/netbook for writing and organization of files.

2) Used is Fine: Many people are in a constant upgrade path. There are a plethora of used computers on the market. Just make sure that you spend time with your new (to you) computer deleting any old files left and setting up a user account for your child. If you have the know-how, consider doing a full wipe and reinstall of your laptop's OS to start off with a total clean slate. We ask that the computers run reliably, have word processing and spreadsheet capability, and are able to connect to the internet. We also recommend systems which have a battery life of 2 hours and a small footprint.

The following computers are recommended computers for our students, by our students:

- Apple MacBook or MacBook Air
- Chromebooks (Acer, Samsung, Asus)
- Acer Aspire systems
- Dell Inspirons

Actually, most laptops/netbooks/chromebooks will provide what students need. We expect families will spend between \$250 – 500, unless they decide to get an Apple which tends to run more cost wise.

3) Apple or Windows?: We believe either platform is viable for the classroom. Netbooks, like Chromebooks, are fine too. As with anything technological, there are strong supporters on both the Apple and PC front and we support both systems, without prejudice or bias. We haven't found one computer "stand out" brand over another based on the many types of laptops that our students come to school with over the years. Our main recommendation and need is for the computer to run at an acceptable speed, have at least a two hour battery life, a usb port, and software for basic word processing and spreadsheet capabilities (this can be Google Drive) and internet research capabilities. OSX and Window operating systems are reliable and have shown to break down about at the same rate. Windows work better with the textbook software used in 6th – 8th grade and some applications such as Google Drive and Scratch. However, Apple does have the leg up regarding some of the creative software (Garage Band, iMovie) and they have earned the "it just works" moniker in that their components work very well together. We are equally familiar with both platforms and think that either works great. It's really what your family preference is. Don't spend more than \$500, and you often can find good netbooks around \$200. With that being said...

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4) Be aware of Windows 8 unless you also change to the “Classic UI”: In my opinion (Jim Parker’s), the Metro UI introduced in Windows 8 is a difficult and distracting platform for younger students. The classic Windows UI screen is a much better way to teach children how to keep their computer organized. Go for Windows 7 or change your windows theme to Classic. However, it’s hard to find a Windows computer without Windows 8, so please be aware that younger students will need more support with Windows 8. We do prefer SIMPLE without distractions.

5) Set up clear boundaries: A new computer will be very exciting for your child. They will want to immediately dive in and begin tinkering. Talk to your child about the appropriate amounts of “screen time”, safe web searching, and appropriate programs to install. At school, the laptops will be used solely for word processing, research and content creation. Consider keeping this new laptop clear of things like games and other entertainment software. Keep these just on a home family computer. This helps you keep a better eye on how your child is spending their computer time and helps them to view their laptop as a productivity tool, not as another game console.

6) Required software, agreements:

- ☐ Web Browser (Chrome recommended)
- ☐ Google Safe Search Activated <https://support.google.com/websearch/answer/510?hl=en>
- ☐ Google Drive and Gmail Account
- ☐ Office Suite with Word, Spreadsheet, Presentation components (MS Office , Open Office, or Google Drive are recommended)
- ☐ Virus Protection (AVG, Avast, Norton, McAfee, Windows Defender)
- ☐ NO games and extra “stuff” that serves as distraction
- ☐ Signed Mackintosh Technology Usage Agreement regarding when and how technology will be used and maintained at school.