

Hillcrest School Supplies List for 2025-26

All grades 6, 7 & 8

Essential Items:

- 400 sheets of Refill paper – Ruled with margins
- 50 sheets of Refill Graph paper – 4:1
- 12 -Blue or Black Pens
- 2 Sharpie markers – permanent – fine point black
- 2 Sharpie permanent markers – chisel tip - black
- 4 pack of Highlighters – chisel tip – multi-colour
- 2 Staedtler erasers – Mars Plastic, white vinyl – large
- 2 Glue sticks – 36 grams
- 12 pre-sharpened HB Norica Pencils with latex free eraser
- 12 pre-sharpened Pencil Crayons (or used, but sharpened)
- Pencil pouch or Pencil Box
- Ruler – shatter proof – 30 cm
- Sharpener – OVAL with shaving collector – single hole
- Scissors – 6.5 inch – soft grip
- Laptop – see next page

Teacher specific items (wait until September):

- Duo-Tangs (quantity and colours)
- EXPO – dry erase low odor – Chisel tip
- Labels
- Ear buds for electronic devices
- Index dividers – Cello Tab
- Sheet protectors
- Binders (quantity and type)
- Red pens
- Tissues
- Sticky notes
- Scientific Calculator
- Math set – 9 pieces

Student Laptop for a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD school)

Q: Why are we doing Bring Your Own Device?

- *A: Lifelong learning. Learning doesn't stop at the end of the school day. We believe in the importance of developing creative and critical thinking skills that will serve students in all aspects of their lives. Using a tool like this will allow them to use the device they are already familiar with (or a device that they will become familiar with if it is new) in a new context. They will learn to use it as a tool for learning and presentation of learning and give them the skills they need to be successful in an increasingly technological world as they move into young adulthood. The School District has published their Direction 2025 document on developing lifelong learners which can be found here: [http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Board/Vision/Pages/default.aspx#/=](http://www.sd43.bc.ca/Board/Vision/Pages/default.aspx#/)*

Q: What kind of device will my child need?

- A: The device your child brings will need to have a minimum of a 10-inch screen, as well as a keyboard.

While we can support a variety of devices, we have some recommendations below:

- We do not recommend iPads or Minis. The screens are too small even with a keyboard.
- The district discourages Chrome Books and android tablets. They are unable/not optimized to run some of the software we use in the classroom.
- Think about the size and weight of the device as students will need to carry it to and from school each day. Protective cases are highly recommended.
- Battery Life - we encourage you to think about devices that have a longer battery life.
- You do not need to buy a high-end device, but you may want to think about how many years you plan for your child to use this device. We have noticed an issue with devices that have limited Hard Drive Space.
- Students in the district all get Office 365 for free. You do not need to purchase any software.
- We highly recommend students bring a mouse when bringing in a laptop.

Q: What if a family can't afford a device?

- A: The School District is committed to supporting our vulnerable families on a case-by-case basis. If you are unable to acquire a device for the BYOD Program

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