



Benjamin Rush Elementary

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Dear Parents of Fifth Grade Students:

Next fall we will continue the program called "Skills for School Success" in third, fourth, fifth, and sixth grades at Benjamin Rush. This program is designed to teach your child critical organizational and study skills that are needed to participate successfully in school.

The program stresses basic organizational skills that all students need. Students will be taught how to organize their materials using a standard notebook. In addition, students will be taught time management skills such as how to record assignments on an agenda and how to use their planner to plan home study.

Calendar planners, notebook dividers, composition notebooks, and a standard 3-ring binder will be ordered by the school and passed out to students in the fall. There is a \$15 charge to cover the costs of these supplies. Providing these core materials ensures all students are ready to start the year. Please purchase the remaining items listed below before the first day of school.

- \$15 check made out to Benjamin Rush Elementary
- Plastic or cloth zippered, supply pouch with 3-ring holes
- Pencil box
- 2 large packages of notebook paper - 3 hole punched, wide ruled
- 1 package of graph paper
- Wood or metal 12" ruler - marked both in English and metric unit (no bendable or folding rulers)
- 24 wooden pencils - #2 soft lead
- 2 erasers - "Pink Pearl" type (no novelty type erasers)
- 3 reams of white copy paper
- 10 glue sticks, white only (no colors)
- 1 bottle of 225ml bottle of Elmer's Glue
- Scissors - 6" pointed
- Colored pencils
- Thin point magic markers
- Package of red ballpoint pens
- Package of black Flair pens (no Sharpies)
- Package of highlighters
- Box of Kleenex tissue
- Two containers of disinfectant wipes
- Basic calculator
- USB flash drive, 4GB or larger
- Set of headphones or ear buds for computer use (please send them in a Ziploc bag for storage)
- One box of 1,000 popsicle sticks (standard size: 4 1/2" long, Ben Franklin has them)

If you find it difficult to purchase these materials, please let the teacher know. There are PTA funds available to assist you.

We are excited about this program and know that teachers, students, and parents will benefit as students increase their organizational and study skills. Thank you for helping us take the first step toward a well organized student.