



Dear Middle School Parents,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We have an exciting year ahead of us, and part of a successful academic year involves having the right materials for school supplies.

Middle school is an important time to learn organizational skills, especially using tools that best fit each student's style and preference. A best practice at Valor is to have a pencil case that includes items used in each class: pencils, pens, sharpener, erasers, glue sticks, markers or colored pencils and scissors that can be carried from class to class. Under the section heading "Consumable Supplies", please be sure that students replenish their supplies as needed. Except where noted specifically for a class in the list, students are expected to have a binder or notebook system to keep track of classwork, handouts, worksheets and homework for each class. Items under "Other Supplies" should always be available to the students in working order.

One of the exciting privileges of middle school is having a locker, so you might want to add other fun items to your shopping list, including locker organizers and decoration. A locker shelf that is smaller than 12" x 12" (length x width) should fit. ***Please do not purchase any permanent stickers/wallpaper or decorations that cannot be taken out at the end of the year.***

Sixth graders may continue using rolling backpacks, but we recommend that all middle school students eventually use soft backpacks without wheels. We suggest buying a sturdy one with strong, comfortable straps. This will be where students keep their binder, pencil case and other "light" items with them; textbooks and subject-specific items can be taken out and put in their lockers during breaks and carried from class to class. Backpacks must be stored either in lockers or hung on hooks when not in use.

Each student is required to bring their own chromebook and charger. It is expected that the student will bring home the chromebook each night for homework assignments and to be recharged. Students should keep the chargers with them at all times (not left in classrooms or lockers) and brought home for recharging their chromebook. One suggestion (not required) is to have two chargers – one for home and one for school. ***Please label both the chromebook and charger with the student's name*** (as many chargers are known to walk away throughout the schoolyear.) Students will be allowed to recharge chromebooks at school using their own chargers, but it is best practice to start the day with a fully charged chromebook.

The supply & tech fee of \$60 is applied towards the student planner, shared classroom supplies, GoGuardian subscription and etextbooks.

Thank you for your support,

Valor Christian Academy Middle School Teachers and Administrative Staff

SUPPLY LIST
6th – 8th GRADE

***Label each item (except individual pens & pencils) with your child's name.**

Materials	Quantity for Student Personal Use	Description
\$60.00 supply & tech fee		Charges can be processed through FACTs, or paid by check made payable to Valor Christian Academy (This fee covers student planner, shared classroom supplies, GoGuardian subscription and etextbooks.)
General Supplies		
3-Ring Binder/s	One 2" binder (Zipper binder style recommended)	Student may choose between using one large binder (2.0" or more) for all 5 core classes or purchasing 5 separate binders (1" rings) for each class: Bible, Math, History, Science and ELA.
Tab Dividers (optional)	1 5-Tab pk	If using one large binder for all 5 classes. Not needed if using separate binders for each subject.
Pencil Pouch / Case		Recommended: Filled with these items daily: 2 pens, pencils, eraser, sharpener, scissors, highlighter, glue sticks, stapler, pencil lead (if using mechanical pencil).
Composition Notebooks	3	9.75" x 7.5"; 100 sheets, college ruled. For use in Standard Math Class and ELA. Additional composition books may need to be purchased for 2 nd semester.
Journal	1	Used in Bible class. Prefer to have durable binding and cover that can be used throughout middle school.
Bible	1	ESV (English Standard Version)
Pencil sharpener	1	Choose a pencil sharpener that catches pencil shavings. Not needed if using mechanical pencils.
Scissors	1 pair	

Mini stapler & staples	1	To remain in student's pencil case
Calculator	1	4 functions with square root key. Suggested style: TI-503 SV
Chromebook & Chargers	1	See flyer on specifications under www.valorchristianacademy.org - middle school resource tab. Be sure both chromebook and charger are labeled with name. Highly recommended to purchase 1 charger for home and 1 for school.
Consumable Supplies (*)	*Replenish as needed	
Pens	2-3 pens	Blue or black ink – any brand (about 1 dz for the year) – No clicking pens
Red Pens	2-3 pens	Required for Math (about 1 dz for the year)
No. 2 Pencils	2-3 pencils	Students may use mechanical pencils, but students are responsible for maintaining a supply of lead. (about 2-3 dz for the year)
Eraser	1 eraser	About 2-3 per year
Colored Pencils	1 pack	Any brand with basic colors - Keep a set of colored pencils in backpack.
Dry Erase Markers	2-3	Pen style – for use in Science (EXPO brand preferred)
Highlighters	2-3	Student preference
College Ruled Lined Paper – Loose Leaf	1 pk	Required to be loose leaf 3-hole punch. Please do not tear out of spiral notebook. Students should have one pack always on hand.
Graph Paper – loose leaf	1 pk	Required for Math class
Sticky Notes	2 pads	Used in Bible, History and ELA. Need to replenish throughout the year.
Index Cards	1 pack	3 x 5" size lined – any color with lines (For use in Bible class)
Glue Sticks	1-2 sticks	For use in ELA, Science, Bible and Math