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Dear Parents & Guardians,

We are so excited to welcome your children into our Grade 7/8 classrooms this September. The back of this letter contains a list of school supplies that your child will be using in their courses throughout the year. Please let one of us know if there are any issues getting a hold of these materials and we will be happy to help.

The level of organization required by students in junior high school is significantly higher than that which is required in elementary school. Students are expected to play a much larger role in maintaining an organized binder, arriving to each class with all necessary school supplies, keeping their locker tidy, and staying on top of due dates for assignments in various classes. Understandably, many students find this to be a large change from previous years - particularly Grade 7s who are new to junior high. Our goal as a team is to foster these skills in our students - physical and academic organization - so that they can be successful in their school careers and beyond.

While we will be doing what we can in school to reinforce these skills, we would love to have your help, and welcome you to join us on this journey with our young learners. It is easy to assume that by this age, students are capable of organizing themselves - but this is often not the case! An occasional quick check-in with your child to ensure that their binder is still organized, school supplies still well-stocked, and assignments are up-to-date can be game-changing.

As always, please let one of us know if we can help at any time. We are thrilled to be back at ESS teaching another group of wonderful students, and looking forward to working with you to encourage their continued success.

Cheers,
Your ESS French Immersion Team

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School Supply List – French Immersion

2025 - 2026

Required

- **1 combination lock for locker**
- Binders (1 big zip up or two 1-2 inch binders). Please ensure these binders have pockets.
- 8 dividers
- 10 paper protectors
- Whiteboard markers for students (they will be used in math class!)
- Pencil case (preferably one with rings can be kept in binder)
- Pencils (wood or mechanical) - **may need to be replenished regularly**
- Pencil sharpener or extra lead
- Coloured pencils and/or markers
- Glue stick
- Black fine tip Sharpie
- Erasers
- Loose-leaf
- Graph paper (one pack)
- Highlighters (multiple colours if possible)
- Ruler (metal or flexible - the plastic ones break too easily!)
- 3 Duotangs OR two-pocket folders (4 if you are a band student): one for math, one for FLA, one for Science Humaines (Grade 7) PLUS another if you are a band student
- Two Hilroy Scribblers (one each for Science and for FLA)

Optional

- Shelf for locker
- Water bottle - please label with your name
- Sharpies (different colours & sizes)
- Headphones to keep in school (highly recommended)
- Kleenex (for classroom use)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION: Please have indoor running sneakers. Proper clothing for the gym would be a t-shirt with shorts or gym pants. Students are encouraged to bring a change of clothes and deodorant.

BAND STUDENTS: Please have a band book.

Please reuse and recycle. It is not always necessary to buy new supplies, and we encourage you to use items from previous years that are still usable.