



First Day of School, 2009

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to school and especially to 5th grade! I am excited your student is in our class and I am looking forward to a wonderful year of learning and growth. Besides wondering what the new school year will bring, supplies are always a question that families have on their mind. Here is what you will need:

One small pencil box (about 8"x4") to hold:

2 black pens

2 blue pens

2 red pens

2 green OR purple pens (one of each is okay too!)

3 different colored highlighters

2 pencils, mechanical or otherwise

1 box of lead (only if using a mechanical pencil)

1 small pencil sharpener (only if **not** using a wooden pencil)

1 large glue stick

1 small pair of scissors

1 (just one!) eraser

6 thin BLACK Expo markers

1 clean crew sock (used as an eraser for our Math Boards)

3 packs of **wide rule** notebook paper

1 box of tissues

- Something to organize your papers! Bring either an accordion file folder or if you **must**, a 3 ring binder (maximum 2-inch thickness) with at least 7 subject dividers. (7 years of teaching 5th grade plus years of experience as a mother have taught me that students actually put their papers in the accordion folder on a regular basis rather than a 3 ring binder!)
- A small, lightweight, wearable backpack or shoulder bag to hold everything easily!
- \$13.00 cash or (check made out to Vista Verde) for our Vista Verde school planner (\$7) and TIME for KIDS (\$6), due by Tuesday, August 4 at the latest.

THE **NO** LIST!

NO rolling backpacks (too large and cumbersome as well as a tripping hazard-especially for me!)

NO gel pens

NO toys disguised as school supplies...you know what we mean!

NO gum!! So many reasons.....

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jacobs