

# What Will I Need In Second Grade?

We know that many families want time to help prepare for the upcoming school year with purchasing supplies. Here is a list of supplies that we will be using next year as your student enters second grade. We are looking forward to working with each of you in the upcoming school year.

Please get...

- \* 1 zippered Trapper Keeper
- \* 4 plastic/poly folders with 3 hole punches to keep in the Trapper Keeper  
(the plastic/poly ones keep the best all school year)
- \* 3 boxes of tissues
- \* Earbuds
- \* Fabric/canvas/soft plastic zippered pencil case to keep in Trapper Keeper
- \* Expo dry erase markers

Optional for personal use...

- \* Colored highlighters

Optional to share with class...

- \* Gallon or quart Ziploc baggies
- \* Hand sanitizer
- \* Washable markers

Thank you!

Mrs. Maurer & Miss Ricker

# What is flexible seating?

In our classroom we will utilize flexible seating. This just means that the kids will be able to choose their type of seating each day. The options I have right now are standing desks (with stools), floor seating with pillows and wobble cushions, wobble stools, regular chairs, and regular chairs with resistance bands on the bottom.

Each morning your child will have the opportunity to choose their seat for the day. Do not worry, they will have what I call “first dibs” day where they get to pick the day before what seat they will sit in so they get first dibs on their seat. This allows the students to be able to work freely where they learn best. They know that it is a privilege and if they do not use it appropriately I can move them at any time. If a student purposely destroys types of flexible seating we will refer to the handbook for destruction of school property and follow the protocol for reimbursement. Due to moving their seat each day it is important that they bring a Trapper Keeper to keep their belongings organized.

Throughout our day they will also have the opportunity to work around the room where they can work independently and also with partners and groups at times. During these times they will also have other types of flexible seating to choose from. We will have bean bags, yoga mats, lap desks, and other chairs to pick from.

Flexible seating helps kids get “wiggles” out and be able to move as they learn. It also helps them to maintain active throughout the day without even knowing it. We would be happy to share articles on flexible seating with you if you would like. We have implemented flexible seating and have noticed great improvements with behavior, desire to learn, on-task behaviors, and overall desire to be at school.

If you have any questions please feel free to ask!

Thank you,

Mrs. Maurer & Miss Ricker