

Attleboro High School

Supplies List

Please note: Given that we have nearly 150 teachers in the school, it is impossible to provide a comprehensive list of supplies for a grade or subject. High School teachers use the first week of school to cover specific needs, policies, and procedures. They are instructed to be flexible. However, we realize that *Back-to-School* sales will assist families in purchasing the basic supplies in advance so as to help our students to be prepared. **These are recommendations.** *Students in CTE and Arts classes will be notified of supplies in the first few days of class.*

It is also important to consider that very few high school students use lockers. Backpacks are relatively standard; therefore, select one that is the most functional. Keeping supplies as simple as possible is advantageous.

- Planner/Agenda: Being organized is a huge part of success at the high school level. Students should have a planner/agenda that has enough space on each day to list homework as well as due dates of long-term assignments. **Please note that Freshmen will be given a planner. Freshmen do not need to purchase one.**
- Notebooks should be college-ruled. Some teachers collect notebooks periodically; therefore, it is not advisable to have more than one subject in each notebook.
- Binders: The 3-ring variety is the best. Binders with pockets tend to be more useful for organization. Most high school students use binders that are 2-3 inches wide.
- Loose leaf paper: Students will need college-ruled loose leaf paper for quizzes, tests, and some projects.
- Graph paper: Some math classes focus on graphing, and graph paper will be utilized.
- Pencils: Although mechanical pencils are preferred, students should keep a few standard #2 pencils with them as needed for standardized testing.
- Pens: It is best to have pens that write without smearing or smudging. Some ELA teachers will encourage students to keep a red pen handy for the purposes of self-assessment of writing samples.
- Highlighters: Using a highlighter to organize notes is a good strategy at the high school level.
- Index cards: Some teachers will ask for index cards; some will not. However, investing in a few packs to utilize as flash cards/study guides would be beneficial.
- Pocket folders: Organization is a huge part of success at the high school level. Stuffing papers into a notebook is not wise. It is recommended to have a pocket folder for each subject.
- Rulers: Having one to use as a straight-edge is helpful.
- Calculators: Although some math and science classes (Chemistry) will utilize a scientific calculator, it is not advisable to buy an expensive calculator until the teacher has met with the class.
- Locks: As mentioned previously, very few students use a locker, but those who choose to must provide their own lock.
- Earbuds/Headphones: Many teachers supplement instruction by suggesting online videos. Also, some online testing requires listening. An inexpensive set should be sufficient.
- Flash drives: AHS now utilizes Google Cloud storage that students can access from any internet device. However, if students choose to also use a flash drive, it should be small enough to be portable, but it should have a way to secure to a key ring or backpack so as not to be lost.

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Suggested SmartPhone Apps

While we realize that not all students have smartphones or tablets, the fact remains that many do. As students are preparing to return to school, the following apps may prove to be beneficial.

- **Destiny Discover:** Allows mobile access to our online library catalog. The first time the app is launched you will need to enter the URL **attleboro.follettdestiny.com**. Students can then log in using their firstinitial + last name (example: jsmith) and their local student id number (found in Aspen) is the password. Or, browse as a guest.
- **Google Classroom:** We are a Google apps for Education school and many teachers are now using google Classroom.
- **Gmail:** To access your school assigned Gmail account attleborops.net
- **Google Drive:** To access school work that has been saved in your school assigned Google Drive.
- **Twitter:** A great resource for both receiving and sharing information for collaboration with others.

