



# York Early College Academy

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Learning Today to Lead Tomorrow

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We hope this email finds you and your families healthy and well! As we wrap up the 2026-2027 school year, we would like to thank you for your continued support and partnership. As you and your family prepare for the upcoming school year, we want to give you some important information.

## **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

The first day of the 2026-2027 school year is **Thursday, September 10, 2026**. The school day will be from **8:00 am- 2:20 pm**. Students will be able to enter the building as early as **7:30 am** and will continue to enter through the main entrance on 167<sup>th</sup> Street. Upon entering the building, students will proceed directly to the auditorium. Breakfast will be available.

**Please note that the first day of school for students in grades 11 and 12 who are on the college campus is Friday, August 28, 2026.**



## **SUMMER READING**

Research studies show that scholars who do not read during the summer may lose a month or more of the academic progress they made during the year! It is especially important that scholars continue to read during the summer to prevent any regression in the reading skills they developed throughout the school year. Over the summer, we ask you to **encourage your scholar to read**. **We recommend that your child read for at least 30 minutes to 1 hour each day.** This may include reading *magazines, comics, newspapers, popular young adult books, graphic novels, or listening to audiobooks or podcasts*. To help you and your scholar choose appropriate books and monitor your progress, we have included a variety of materials in this [Summer Reading Resource Guide](#).



New York  
Public  
Library

**All three NYC public library systems are offering FREE programs and resources this summer!** Your family and scholar(s) have access to a wide range of resources and activities, such as:

- Programs and activities for all ages
- Curated booklists for all reading levels, which also includes books in international languages
- Reading Challenge with READsquared, the Library's Summer Reading online platform

See what's happening at

- [The Queens Public Library](#)
- [The New York Public Library](#) and
- [Brooklyn Public Library!](#)





**Students can also access thousands of ebooks and audiobooks on any device, for FREE!**

- 1) Download the Sora app from your app store, or go to <https://company.overdrive.com/k-12-schools/discover-sora/nyc/>
- 2) Enter setup code **NYCSCHOOLS**
- 3) Tap "Sign in using New York City Department of Education" button
- 4) Sign-in using your Student Account ID & password.

## Open a world of reading.

### Start reading today!

#### On Your Device

1. Download the free Sora app  
 
2. Tap "I have a setup code"
3. Type: nycschools
4. Tap "Sign in using New York City Public Schools" button
5. Enter your student account & password

#### In Your Browser

1. Visit <https://soraapp.com/library/nycschools>
2. Click "Sign in using New York City Public Schools" button
3. Enter your student account ID & password

#### Tips

- To read a book tap/click "Borrow"
- Change language in a browser:
  1. Click Menu icon in upper right
  2. Select General Settings
  3. Change "My language is English"
- Change language in the Sora app:  
Change language of your device, usually in your device settings

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[DiscoverSora.com/nyc](https://DiscoverSora.com/nyc)

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**Your YECA scholar has access to this online program!** Sign-in using your NYCDOE email. With skills that match what they've learned throughout the year, as well as insights into their progress, IXL is a great resource to supplement your scholar's learning experience. 9th and 10th graders also have access to PSAT and SAT prep through IXL learning.



Created by experts, Khan Academy's library of trusted, standards-aligned practice and lessons covers math K-12 through early college, grammar, science, history, AP®, SAT®, and more. **It's all free for all scholars!**

### **UNIFORMS**

Uniforms play a crucial role in maintaining a professional appearance and promoting a sense of unity and pride within York Early College Academy. As an early college school, we are preparing scholars for the collegiate academic setting, internships, community service and post-secondary experiences such as job interviews. **This upcoming school year, our uniform policy will be effective for all students in Grades 6-10.** As we strive to maintain a focused learning environment, it is essential that all students adhere to our uniform policy. As such, our uniform policy will be enforced and follow up will be made with scholars and their families. We thank you in advance for your cooperation with this matter.

Please purchase uniform shirts at <https://flynnohara.com/>

All scholars are required to wear the appropriate attire, as outlined below and can be found in York Early College Academy's program handbook. Our updated uniform policy is as follows:

#### **➤ Grades 6-10**

- **Your choice of shirts:**
  - Blue Uniform Polo **or**
  - Gray T-Shirt **and/or**
  - Sweater with school logo **and/or**
  - Fleece with school logo
- **Your choice of bottoms.**
  - Bottoms can be bought from any store and must be *appropriate for the educational setting*. We recommend jeans, skirts no shorter than your knees, loose-fitting pants, and minimal to no rips.
- **Gym** - Gray YECA P.E. shirt and pants appropriate for physical education, such as sweatpants or mesh shorts.

#### **➤ Grades 11-12:** No uniform required.

## **PHONE-FREE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT**

In accordance with New York State Law, we will be making our school a phone-free space to improve teaching and learning. As per the NY State Law, students are not **permitted to have access to their phone during the school day.**

- <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/distraction-free-schools-governor-hochul-announces-new-york-become-largest-state-nation>
- <https://www.albanylaw.edu/media/26606>

All York Early College Academy students will be assigned an individual Yondr pouch. Students must bring their assigned pouch to school each day. Upon arrival, students will power off all personal internet-enabled devices and secure them in their assigned Yondr pouch. Devices will be locked at arrival, unlocked at dismissal, and pouches must remain sealed from bell to bell. Please review the complete policy here: [YECA Electronics Policy](#)

## **SUPPLY LISTS**

Attached you will find the supply lists for each grade for the 2026-2027 school year.

Please note the following:

- We understand that some of the general supply items on this list may not be readily available; however, whatever you can and would like to donate to YECA classrooms would be greatly appreciated.
- The course listings represent our current course offerings. Please note that these are subject to change, depending on next year's budget and reopening plans.
- Scholars participating in the college program for the Fall 24 semester must have devices that work and a reliable internet connection. Access to CUNYfirst, YorkMail, and the Cleared4 app must be active and accessible on all devices. *Classes will be in-person.*

Please reach out if you have questions or concerns, and as always, thank you so much for your continued support and partnership. We look forward to seeing you and your families in September!

Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Deborah Krempa, Principal  
Mrs. Angela Olarte, Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Delmara Reece, Assistant Principal

# 6TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST



## **General Supplies:**

- 1 - Soft Pencil Case (to be kept in backpack & brought to all classes) filled with:**
  - Pens/Pencils/Eraser (all classes)
  - Pencil Sharpener (all classes)
  - Mini Stapler with staples
  - Highlighters (all classes)
  - Pack of post-its (all classes)
  - 1 pack of Crayola Markers
  - 1 pack of colored pencils (24 colors minimum)
  - 1 pack of Markers
  - 1 ruler (all classes)
  - 1 Refillable Water Bottle (all classes)
  - 5 Glue Sticks

## **Supplies for Advisory** *(Please give your supplies to your Advisory teacher only)*

- 1 - Hand Sanitizer
- 2 - Roll of Paper Towels
- 2 - Tissue boxes
- 1- Disinfectant wipes

## **SEL (This is a class)**

- 1 - 2 pocket Folder

## **Literacy Level Up**

- 1 composition notebook

## **Math**

- Dry Erase Markers
- 1- 2in Binder (kept in class for note packets)
- 1 marble or spiral notebook labeled with first name, last name on front cover, print clearly!
- 1 - Folder
- A pack of mechanical pencils, 0.7 lead size or larger (NO PENS FOR MATH!)

## **English**

- Loose leaf paper
- 1 - 1 1/2 in Binder (kept in class for note packets) (624 Ms. Whitney)
- 1 -dividers
- 1 - Folder with prongs

## **History**

- 1 marble or spiral notebook labeled with first name, last name on front cover, print clearly!
- Looseleaf, approximately 100 sheets
- 1 - two-pocket folders labeled with first name and last name. With looseleaf. For History only!

## **Science**

- 1 graph paper notebook
- 1 black and white notebook
- A pack of mechanical pencils, 0.7 lead size or larger
- 1 - Folder
- 2 Bounty rolls (for science)
- 2 boxes of napkins (non-lotion) (for science)

## **Drama**

- 1 Actors Journal OR composition notebook (**200 or 300 pages**)
- 1 - 2 pocket Folder

# **7TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST**

(Supplies can be brought in throughout the first week. Students can give supplies to their first period teacher.)

**What resources or summer reading can an incoming 7th grade scholar review in preparation for the upcoming school year?**

- SORA (*sign in using doe email*)
- EPIC Reading (*sign in using doe email*)
- IXL (*sign in using doe email*)
- ReadWorks (*sign in using doe email*)
- Commonlit.org (*sign in using doe email*)

## **General Supply List- (Checked in SLC)**

- 1 - Soft Pencil Case (to be kept in backpack & brought to all classes) filled with:
  - Pens (All Subjects)
  - Pencils (All Subjects)
  - Highlighters (All Subjects)
  - Sharpener
  - Erasers
  - Post-its (All Subjects)
  - Glue sticks
  - A ruler
  - Colored pencils (All Subjects)
  - Crayons (All Subjects)
  - Plug in over the head Headphones (Amazon Link: <https://a.co/d/047XrAwD>)

## **Supplies for SLC Advisory**

- 2 - Boxes of Tissues
- 1 - Clorox wipes
- 1 - Hand Sanitizer
- 1- Roll of Paper Towels
- 1- Binder ([Link](#))

## **ELA**

- Looseleaf
- 1 - Folder
- 1 - Notebook
- 1- Highlighter

## **SEL (This is a class)**

- 1 - 2 pocket Folder
- 1 composition notebook (**100 pages**)

## **Art**

- 1 - Sketchbook:** 9x12 inches mixed media sketchbook (at least 90lb paper) with at least 60 blank pages that is suitable for wet and dry media. A Canson XL or Strathmore brand spiral-bound sketchbook is recommended, available on Amazon, Target, etc.
- 1 - Roll of Paper Towels
- 1 - Clorox Wipes
- 1 - Pack of Thin Tip Black Sharpies
- 1 - Pack of RegularTip Black Sharpies
- 1- Colored pencil pack (can be the same from general supply list)
- 1 - Crayon Pack (can be the same from general supply list)

## **Science/Computer Science**

- 1 - Notebook
- 1 - Folder
- 1 - Roll of Paper Towels

## **Math**

- [Calculator](#)
- 1 - Notebook (spiral or composition)
- 1 - Two-pocket Folder
- 1- pack of tracing paper

## **History**

- 1 marble or spiral notebook labeled with first name, last name on front cover. For History only!
- Looseleaf, approximately 100 sheets
- 1 - two-pocket folders labeled with first name and last name, with looseleaf paper. For History only!

## **Literacy Level Up**

- 1 composition notebook

# **8TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST**

**What resources or summer reading can an incoming 8th grade scholar review in preparation for the upcoming school year?**

- *Daily reading on EPIC & SORA (Sign-in using DOE email)*
- *Practice math skills on IXL (Sign-in using DOE email)*

## **General Supplies**

- 1 - Soft Pencil Case (to be kept in backpack & brought to all classes) filled with:
  - 1 - Pencil Sharpener
  - Pencils (All Subjects)
  - Pens (All Subjects)
  - Gluesticks
  - Colored Pencils
- Plug in over the head Headphones (Amazon Link: <https://a.co/d/o47XrAwD>)



## **SEL (This is a class)**

- 1 - 2 pocket Folder
- 1 composition notebook (**100 pages**)

## **History**

- Tissues
- Paper Towel (8D)
- Sanitizer (8E)
- Wipes (8F)
- 1 pack of crayola markers and/or colored pencils (stored in classroom)

## **Algebra 1**

- 2 - binders (1 for class; 1 to keep at home)
- 2 - folders (homework, classwork)
- Loose-leaf paper
- Graph Paper
- 1 - TI-84 Graphing Calculator
- Black/Blue Pen
- Pencils
- 1 box of Tissues
- 1 roll of Paper Towels
- Hand Sanitizer

## **ELA**

- 1 Spiral Notebook
- 1 folder
- Loose-leaf paper
- 1 pack of crayola markers and/or colored pencils (stored in classroom)
- Tissues

## **Biology**

- 1 - folder
- Loose-leaf paper
- 1 pack of crayola markers (to be collected and stored in classroom)
- 1 pack of crayola colored pencils (to be collected and stored in classroom)
- Tissues
- Paper towels

## **Software Engineering (Computer Science)**

- 1- Black Composition Notebook/Binder & College Ruled Paper (loose-leaf paper)
- Red Pens
- 1 - Blue Folder with pockets



## **SUPPLY LIST**

(Supplies can be brought in throughout the first week.)

**What resources or summer reading can an incoming 9th grade scholar review in preparation for the upcoming school year? The Jungle by Upton Sinclair, High interest reading for 30 minutes a day-without the use of any sort of technology.**

<p><b><u>General Supplies</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1- Paper towel</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1- Hand sanitizer</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - boxes of tissues each</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Clorox wipes</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Soft Pencil Case (to be kept in backpack &amp; brought to all classes) filled with:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Pencil Sharpener</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Pencils (All Subjects)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Pens (All Subjects)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Dry Erase Markers</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Highlighters (All Subjects)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Gluesticks</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Pack of Colored Pencils</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Mini Stapler</li></ul></li></ul>	<p><b><u>Earth Science</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Binder/Spiral Notebook</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Loose Leaf Paper (200 Sheets)</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 5 - Dividers</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 3 - Folders with pockets (able to be kept in a binder).</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Calculator - scientific</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Ruler with centimeters</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 3 hole punch (small one that goes into binder)</li></ul>
<p><b><u>Algebra 1 (Noey)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 inch binder divided into 3 sections</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Pocket Folder</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - TI-84+ Graphing Calculator - required</li></ul> <p><b><u>Algebra 2 (Suero)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 2 - Graph Paper Marble Notebook</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - TI-84+ Graphing Calculator - <b>required</b></li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Pack of thin Dry Erase Markers</li></ul>	<p><b><u>Spanish</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Folder with Pockets</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 2- Notebooks</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> mini stapler with mini staples</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Plug in over the head Headphones (Amazon Link: <a href="https://a.co/d/o47XrAwD">https://a.co/d/o47XrAwD</a>)</li></ul>
<p><b><u>U.S. History</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Plastic folder with pockets</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Looseleaf</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Pens and pencils, highlighters</li></ul>	<p><b><u>English</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Box of Post-it notes</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Durable folder with pockets</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Pens and Pencils</li></ul>
<p><b><u>Art</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>1 - Sketchbook:</b> 9x12 inches mixed media sketchbook (at least 90lb paper) with at least 60 blank pages that is suitable for wet and dry media. Canson XL or Strathmore brand spiral bound sketchbook is recommended, available on Amazon, Target, etc.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Roll of Paper Towels</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Pack of Thin Tip Black Sharpies</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Pack of RegularTip Black Sharpies</li></ul>	

# **10TH GRADE SUPPLY LIST**

## **General Supplies**

- Refillable water bottle to bring each day (Student)
- A student planner (Student)
- 2 - boxes of tissues (SLC Advisor)
- 1 - bottle of hand sanitizer (SLC Advisor)
- 1- roll of paper towels (SLC Advisor)
- 1 - container of Clorox/Lysol wipes (SLC Advisor)
- 5 - packs of looseleaf paper (100 sheets each - College Ruled) (Student)
- Self-Adhesive Hole Reinforcements for Looseleaf paper (Student)
- 10 - packs of Index Cards (Student)
- 1 - Soft Pencil Case (to be kept in backpack & brought to all classes) filled with: (Student)
  - Pens
  - Pencils
  - Ruler (with centimeters cm)
  - Highlighters
  - GeoTool Compass
  - Sharpener
  - Dry Erase Markers (4 Black)
  - Glue Stick
  - 1 - Mini Stapler

## **Global History**

- 1 - 5 subject notebook
- 1- Plastic Poly Folder
- Pack of Multi Color Pens
- Pack of Multi Color Highlighters

## **ELA**

- 2 - composition notebook
- 2 - Plastic Poly Folder
- Black and Blue erasable pens

## **Geometry(Noey)**

- 1 inch binder
- 3 Dividers
- 1 - 3 Hole Punched Pocket Folder
- 1 - TI-84+ Graphing Calculator - **required**

## **Geometry (Suero)**

- 2 - Graph Paper Marble Notebook
- 1 - TI-84+ Graphing Calculator - **required**
- Pack of thin Dry erase markers

## **Spanish**

- 2 - composition notebooks
- 1 - Folder
- Plug in over the head Headphones (Amazon Link:

<https://a.co/d/o47XrAwD>



- mini stapler with mini staples

## **Chemistry**

- 1- 2 inch binder
- 1 - 5 Subject notebook (College Ruled)
- 1- Yellow Plastic Poly Pocket Folder
- 1- Blue Plastic Poly Pocket Folder
- 1- Red Plastic Poly Pocket Folder
- 1 - Non-graphing Scientific Calculator (Ti-30XSII)
- Post it Notes (Red, Green, Blue, Yellow)