Secondary school stationery checklist

At primary school, your child was probably provided with all the stationery supplies and books they needed. But once they move to secondary school, they'll be expected to have their own set of stationery and bring it to lessons with them.



Pens, pencils etc

- [ ] Generously sized pencil case
- [ ] Blue or black rollerball pens/biros: buy in bulk and have at least two in your pencil case at a time
- [ ] Handwriting pen or fountain pen (with extra cartridges if needed)
- [ ] Highlighters: ideally four different colours
- [ ] HB pencils: buy in bulk
- [ ] Pencil sharpener
- [ ] Rubber
- [ ] 30cm ruler (folding ones take less space and are less likely to snap)
- [ ] Ink eraser or correction fluid

Art/technology supplies

- [ ] 2B pencils
- [ ] 4B pencils
- [ ] Set of colouring pencils
- [ ] Glue stick

- [ ] Scissors

Maths supplies

- [ ] Compass
- [ ] 360-degree protractor
- [ ] Set square
- [ ] Scientific calculator (some schools want kids to have a specific model, so check before you buy)

English/modern and foreign language supplies

- [ ] English dictionary
- [ ] English thesaurus
- [ ] Dictionary for each foreign language studied

Computing supplies

- [ ] Memory stick
- [ ] Earphones

General stationery supplies

- [ ] A4 ring binder or lever arch file
- [ ] A4 subject divider cards
- [ ] A4 punched pockets
- [ ] Hole punch
- [ ] Spiral bound jotter
- [ ] Clear sticky back plastic for covering exercise books (stock up on this as you'll likely go through a number of these)

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