



## Yvonne Shaw Middle School Master Notebook

The idea behind the master notebook is simple but its results can be powerful. Incoming middle school students are often bewildered by their schedules, lockers, and having so many different teachers. When each teacher requires a different set of supplies or notebook, it can only add to the confusion. By defining a master notebook for the school, students benefit because they always have what they need with them. Parents are spared the expense of purchasing multiple notebooks and supplies and teachers can be confident that students will have what they need to be successful in school if they have their master notebook in hand.

The master notebook is made up of the following:

- 2"-3" zippered binder (this prevents notebooks from exploding when dropped)
- 8 dividers (pocket dividers made out of a poly material are excellent)
- 200 sheets of college-ruled paper
- 50 sheets of graph paper
- 5- 70 sheet spiral notebooks
- 1- 150 sheet spiral notebook with a plastic, durable cover
- A combination ruler / one-page hole punch
- A 13 pocket expanding file (students file returned work here so it doesn't get lost and the notebook doesn't get too full)
- A zippered pouch with the following supplies
  - Several number 2 pencils
  - Two pens with black or blue ink (no gel pens or felt pens)
  - Four highlighters (green, yellow, blue and pink)
  - Eraser
  - Compass
  - Protractor
  - Blunt nose scissors
  - Assortment of colored pencils
  - glue stick
  - 5- 3 ½" floppy disks
- Students are encouraged to use a planner to keep track of assignments, tests, and activities. It's a tool that almost all adults rely on and we feel our students will benefit from learning to use one. They will be available for purchase from Yvonne Shaw Middle School for \$5.