

## **Backpacks and Book Bags**

To promote safe and efficient travel through hallways and to provide better control of unauthorized items, all backpacks and/or book bags must be stored in students' lockers during the school day.

Students will be allowed to carry a sensibly sized and appropriate backpack or book bag for the purpose of bringing books, supplies and other permitted items to and from school. School supplies and books will be stored in students' lockers during the school day, while sports equipment and other items used for after school activities will be stored in lockers located in a designated team room or locker room.

Small purses and drawstring bags will be allowed for carrying personal items including Physical Education attire and should not be used to store/carry books.

To help students transport their items to and from class, we will permit the use of clear backpacks and bags throughout the school day.

Acceptable backpacks and bags must be fully clear on all sides and made of transparent plastic or vinyl material. Fabric bottoms are acceptable but not required.

Mesh pockets on the side of the backpack are permitted if people can clearly see through the bag. Colored, transparent backpacks are not allowed; only fully clear backpacks will be permitted. The backpack may have colored straps and piping. A small non-transparent privacy pouch will be allowed for personal hygiene items.