

# school year 2012

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Clarendon &  
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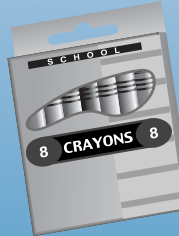
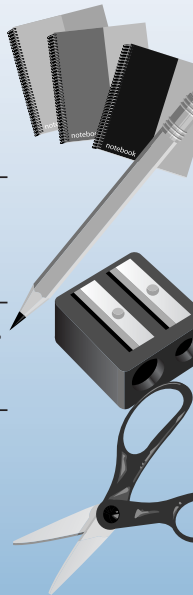
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# school registration

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Registration for students already enrolled in Clarendon CISD will be on Monday and Tuesday, August 13 & 14, from 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria.

Registration for students new to the district will be on Wednesday, August 15, in each school campus office from 8:30 a.m - 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 - 3:30 p.m. **Clarendon classes begin August 27.**

## HEDLEY CISD

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There are many ways parents can help nervous youngsters get over the first day of school jitters.



## ALLEVIATING FIRST DAY-OF-SCHOOL JITTERS

A child's first day of school is a momentous occasion, one that parents and children alike will never forget. For parents, the day might stir memories of their own first day of school all those years ago. For youngsters, the excitement of the first day of school might be accompanied by a little anxiety, as kids don't know what to expect.

Anxiety may decrease as kids grow more acclimated to their school and their classmates, but that first day can be difficult for some youngsters. Here are a few steps parents can take to prepare their children for school.

**\* DISCUSS THE SCHEDULE** with your child. Having a schedule can be a difficult adjustment for youngsters, especially those who have never attended preschool or another

structured program. To help kids handle this adjustment, discuss the schedule with your children ahead of time, explaining when school begins and ends each day and how activities are likely to be scheduled during the school day. In the weeks leading up to the first day of school, help kids get in the swing of things by waking them up earlier and scheduling some activities so kids can get used to a more structured environment.

**\* VISIT THE SCHOOL.** The school itself might also be a cause for anxiety. Kids who have never been inside of a school might benefit from a visit to the school in advance of their first day. Arrange a tour with the local school district so kids can see the bright classrooms and the playgrounds, which should settle any fears they might

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have about leaving the comforts of home for the classroom.

**\* LET KIDS KNOW** their classmates will likely be nervous as well. For youngsters who seem especially nervous about their first day of school, parents can point out that other kids are likely just as nervous. Parents can even share stories of their own anxiety with regard to school and explain to kids how the nervousness was quickly calmed.

**\* REMIND KIDS** you're just a phone call away. Going to school and becoming independent is an important step for kids, but children might be reassured if their parents remind them Mom and Dad are just a phone call away. Soon enough, kids will adapt to the classroom and won't need that reassurance, but those initial nerves might be calmed if kids are reminded that their parents are still nearby.

**\* CONSIDER CARPOOLING** with another family. One thing that's certain to calm a youngster's first-day-of-school jitters is the presence of a fellow friend or neighbor who is also going to school for the first time. Consider carpooling with another family so children forget about their anxiety and spend their school day mornings talking or playing with a friend. While this might not be feasible on the very first day of school when parents want to cherish the occasion by dropping their kids off themselves and watching them walk into school, it can help going forward.

# HOW TO RECOGNIZE IF YOUR CHILD HAS A VISION PROBLEM



Parents want their kids to be as healthy as possible. Whether tailoring kids' diets to include healthier foods or encouraging their youngsters to be physically active, parents often go the extra mile with regards to the health of their children.

But as hard as parents may try, some health-related issues are difficult to avoid or prevent. For example, even the most conscientious parents might have little influence over their children's vision. Many children have a form of myopia, commonly known as nearsightedness, which progressively worsens as kids get older but eventually stabilizes when their eyes have stopped growing, typically in a young adult's early 20s. Myopia is common and treatable, but parents should still educate themselves about it so they can better respond should they suspect their child is suffering from nearsightedness.

## WHAT CAUSES MYOPIA?

When a person has myopia, light entering his or her eye is focused incorrectly. Nearsighted people usually have an eyeball that is slightly

longer than normal from front to back, and the light rays that make up the images a nearsighted person sees focus in front of the retina instead of directly on it. The result is that objects that are far away appear blurry.

## ARE THERE INDICATORS THAT A CHILD IS NEARSIGHTED?

Kids likely won't tell their parents that they are struggling to see distant objects clearly, so it's important for parents to look for indicators that a child might be struggling with myopia. Kids who are nearsighted might squint to see objects that are far away, including the television.

One of the telltale indicators is how a child behaves in the classroom. Children who tell their teacher they need to move closer to the chalkboard should be taken to the eye doctor. Parents who suspect their child might be nearsighted can talk to their child's teacher and ask if the teacher feels the child might be struggling with his or her vision. Such struggles can affect how a child performs in school.

Children who get frequent

headaches might also be suffering from nearsightedness.

Doctors recommend that kids have their eyes examined at six months, three years of age and prior to entering the first grade. But even if kids have passed previous eye examinations at each of those benchmarks, it's best to take them for another exam the moment a vision problem is suspected.

## IS MYOPIA PREVENTABLE?

Since it is often inherited, myopia is not preventable. However, treatment can significantly minimize its effects. Children who appear to be struggling to see distant objects clearly should be taken for an eye exam. That exam may include an eye pressure measurement; a refraction test, which is used to determine a correct prescription for eyeglasses; a retinal examination and a visual acuity test, which measures sharpness of vision at close and far distances.

When a child is diagnosed as being nearsighted, the doctor will likely prescribe eyeglasses or contact lenses. LASIK surgery can correct vision, but many surgeons are reticent to recommend such surgery until a patient's eye has fully developed, which does not occur until after childhood.

## ARE THERE OTHER SYMPTOMS OF CHILDHOOD VISION PROBLEMS?

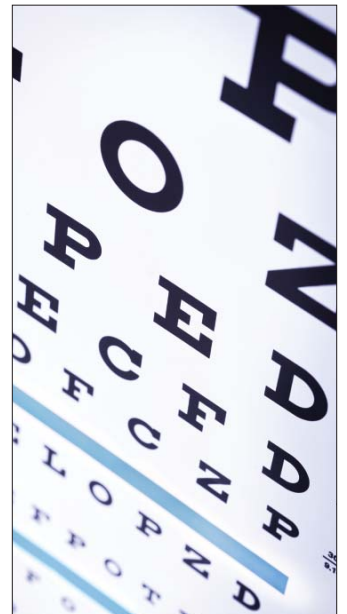
There are additional symptoms of childhood vision problems that might not indicate nearsightedness, but

might indicate another problem that should result in a trip to the eye doctor. For example, a child might close one eye when watching television or reading. This could be indicative that vision in one eye is poorer than the other.

Young children who struggle to color within the lines might have an issue with their hand-eye coordination. Poor hand-eye coordination could be the result of a vision impairment.

Children who tilt their head to one side to improve vision might be suffering from a vision problem that makes it difficult for them to look directly down.

Vision problems can negatively affect how a child performs in school as well as in social situations. Though such vision problems are not always preventable, parents who can identify them can greatly minimize their effects.





# TEXANS CAN \$AVE BIG DURING SALES TAX HOLIDAY August 17-19

In 2012, Texas shoppers get a break from state and local sales taxes on Aug. 17, 18 and 19 — the state's annual tax holiday. Lay-away plans can be used again this year to take advantage of the sales tax holiday. As in previous years, the law exempts most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under \$100 from sales and use taxes, which could save shoppers about \$8 on every \$100 they spend.

## Clothing and Footwear

Retailers will not be required to collect state and local sales or use tax on most footwear and clothing that are sold for less than \$100 during the holiday. The exemption applies to each eligible item that sells for less than



\$100, regardless of how many items are sold on the same invoice to a customer. For example, if a customer purchases two shirts for \$80 each, then both items qualify for the exemption, even though the customer's total purchase price (\$160) exceeds \$99.99.

The exemption does not apply to the first \$99.99 of an otherwise eligible item that sells for more than \$99.99. For example, if a customer purchases a pair of pants that costs \$110, then sales tax is due on the entire \$110.

The exemption also does not apply to sales of special clothing or footwear that the manufacturer primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use and that is not normally worn except when used for the athletic activity or protective use for which the manufacturer designed the article. For example, golf cleats and football pads are primarily designed for athletic activity or protective use and are not normally worn except for those purposes; they do not qualify for the exemption. Tennis shoes, jogging suits and

swimsuits, however, are commonly worn for purposes other than athletic activity and thus qualify for the exemption.

Additionally, tax is due on sales of accessories, including jewelry, handbags, purses, briefcases, luggage, umbrellas, wallets, watches and similar items.

The sales tax holiday exemption does not extend to rental of clothing or footwear; nor does it apply to alteration or cleaning services performed on clothes and shoes. These items continue to be subject to state and local sales or use tax.

## BACKPACKS

Backpacks under \$100 and used by elementary and secondary students are exempt. A backpack is a pack with straps one wears on the back. The exemption during the sales tax holiday includes backpacks with wheels, provided they can also be worn on the back like a traditional backpack, and messenger bags. The exemption does not include items that are reasonably defined as luggage, briefcases, athletic/duffle/gym bags, computer bags, purses or framed backpacks. Ten or fewer backpacks can be purchased tax-free at one time without providing an exemption certificate to the seller.

## SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Texas families also get a sales tax break on most school supplies priced at less than \$100 purchased for use by a student in an elementary or secondary school.

The following is an all-inclusive list of qualifying school supplies (if priced less than \$100):

- Binders
- Book bags
- Calculators
- Cellophane tape
- Blackboard chalk
- Compasses
- Composition books
- Crayons
- Erasers
- Folders; expandable, pocket, plastic, and manila
- Glue, paste and paste sticks
- Highlighters
- Index cards
- Index card boxes
- Legal pads
- Lunch boxes
- Markers (including dry erase markers)
- Notebooks

- Paper; loose leaf ruled notebook paper, copy paper, graph paper, tracing paper, manila paper, colored paper, poster board, and construction paper
- Pencil boxes and other school supply boxes
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencils
- Pens
- Protractors
- Rulers
- Scissors
- Writing tablets

No exemption certificate is required - with one exception. If the purchaser is buying the supplies under a business account, the retailer must obtain an exemption certificate from the purchaser certifying that the items are purchased for use by an elementary or secondary school student. "Under a business account" means the purchaser is using a business credit card or business check rather than a personal credit card or personal check; being billed under a business account maintained at the retailer; or is using a business membership at a retailer that is membership based.



# SAVE ON BACK-TO-SCHOOL CLOTHES SHOPPING

The back to school season can be bittersweet. Parents may miss having their youngsters around the house when summer officially ends, but it's also fun for parents to watch kids partake in all that school has to offer.

One of the things few parents look forward come the end of summer vacation is back-to-school shopping. Such shopping can be costly, especially when it's time to outfit kids with new wardrobes. While a complete wardrobe overhaul might not be necessary, kids typically need to replace a few items they've outgrown since the start of summer break. There are several ways parents can save on back-to-school clothes.

\* Get a head start. Parents can save themselves some money by shopping early for their children's back-to-school wardrobes. Though kids may experience a growth spurt during the summer, shop for items, like socks, that they aren't likely to grow out of before the back-to-school season begins. This

affords you time to comparison shop and spread out the cost of replacing your child's wardrobe instead of being hit with one big bill all at once.

\* Establish a budget. Without a budget, it's easy for parents to overspend on back-to-school clothing, especially for those parents who wait until the last minute and simply buy the first things they see. Establish a budget, ideally several weeks before your child's first day of school. Having a budget in place reduces the likelihood that you will overspend, and developing the budget early helps you spread out your spending.

\* Swap clothes with other families. Clothing swaps between families have grown increasingly popular as more and more parents look to save money on rising clothing costs for their kids. Typically, families will swap clothes, including

jackets, if their kids are similar in age and one youngster has outgrown his or her clothes. If you can't find a family to swap with, visit your local community center or church to see if it has a clothing swap program.



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Wednesday  
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# HOMEWORK HELP MAY FORCE PARENTS TO REFRESH SCHOOL SKILLS



Homework time often becomes a family affair. Many parents are finding they need to brush up on basic skills to offer adequate assistance.

Your fifth grader brings home math homework and asks for your assistance. The class is up to multiplying fractions, and it's been years since you've done this type of work. Never mind numerators and denominators, the most you know about fractions at this point is how a pizza is cut into eight slices. What are you going to do when your child is a teenager bringing home even harder homework?

Although they are routinely the first people students ask for homework help, many parents confess they are flummoxed by algebra equations and can't tell a preposition from a participle. Whether they earned straight As when they were students or not, lack of practice means parents may no longer

recall the lessons of their youth.

In a 2010 Encyclopedia Britannica survey, researchers tested 500 British parents who had children under the age of 16 at the time. The parents took a quiz based on lessons studied for General Certificate of Secondary Education, or GCSE, exams. The survey found that mothers struggled, answering 12.3 percent of questions correctly, while fathers (27.8 percent) did not fare much better.

Many North American parents struggle to help their students with homework as well. Immigrant parents have the most difficulty, likely due to language barriers. In addition, immigrant parents were likely schooled in different education systems in

another part of the world, making homework assignments seem foreign even for those parents who speak English well. Parents who understand the homework may be confusing their children by assisting them in a manner that is inconsistent with the way the students are now being taught. So what is a parent to do?

Some school districts are aware of the problem and provide solutions. Jill I., a parent in New York, says that her son's school sends home a parental instruction book that explains the basics behind subject matter and illustrates how to explain it to children. Other parents are left floundering to figure out the best way to be of assistance to their kids. These are some of the steps they can take.

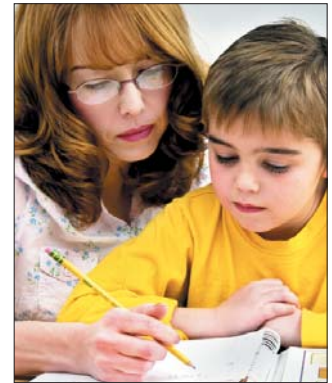
\* Contact the teacher and find out if you can purchase or borrow a copy of the teacher's edition of the textbook. This way you can keep abreast of the lessons and instruct in the same way that the lessons are being taught in school. If a book is not available, find out if instructional materials can be assembled to assist you in mastering the concepts.

\* Log online to search for the subject matter and refresh your memory. Many teachers or experts volunteer information online to help educate students (and parents) about math, science, reading, and other subjects. Parents looking to double-check their math and science work can use a Web site like Wolfram Alpha, which is a computational knowledge engine.

\* Hire a tutor if you find you're doing more harm than good when assisting

with homework. If lack of personal knowledge about the homework or simple frustration over your child's inability to grasp the lessons is making homework time unbearable, and ending in a shouting match, consider the use of a tutor. Students a few years older than your child might be able to help with homework because it is more fresh in their minds. Plus, your child may feel less pressure when learning from a peer or older sibling.

The "MetLife Survey of the American Teacher: The Homework Experience," a 2007 survey which polled teachers, students and parents, found that almost everyone believed in the value of homework. Homework was viewed as an essential part of student learning. Because it is an integral part of a child's learning experience, it behooves parents to find ways to assist with homework questions, no matter the method.



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# PARENTS CONNECTING WITH SOCIAL MEDIA



Parents are increasingly relying on social media sites to communicate with others and learn about school happenings.

There is a power outage, and your child's school is dismissing students early, requiring you to arrive quickly for pickup. Your kid will not be left waiting for you because you got this information immediately after a quick log-in to the social media site you use to connect with other parents. Some other parents may be delayed in receiving this important information because they rely on phone alerts.

Social media has changed the way people communicate. Whether through tweets or status updates, information shared through social media avenues is often instantaneous and can reach a large number of people, which is why many parents have turned to social media to learn about events at school.

According to a study by Nielsen McKinsey Company, parents are more likely than adults without children to play games, engage in creative pursuits, and look for entertainment on Facebook, blogs and other social sites. The data collected from 2,000 adults (both parents and nonparents) who frequently use social media found 88 percent of users rely on social networking sites for communicating with family and friends. The next most popular activity is connecting with new friends, followed by accessing product reviews and online entertainment. Reports show that adults devote a quarter of their time spent online to social media sites. Parents, in particular, are finding new ways to put these sites to use.

Social media is helping parents in a

variety of ways, even enabling them to keep an eye on their children when they go online. According to a survey from Laptop magazine, 55 percent of parents are using social media to watch their kids' online activities. Of that 55 percent, one-fifth indicated they only use social media to monitor their child's online activity.

However, social media has other handy purposes. Many parents use it as they would a bulletin board -- posting all types of information. Some parents use social media to stay abreast of school happenings, asking questions about when fundraiser money is due or if anyone got the spelling words for the week. Others find it is a good way to meet parents or speak with the parents of their child's classmates. Some moms and dads use it to set up parents' nights out, advertise things for sale or ask for recommendations on contractors.

Parents also use social media to invite people to special events, including birthday parties. Others can see who was invited and decide if they're going to come, too.

More parents are turning to social media sites for advice and information, to stay in touch or simply to share a good laugh.



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August 27 - October 5 30 days  
 October 9 - November 16 29 days  
 November 19 - January 11 28 days  
 January 14 - February 22 30 days  
 February 25 - April 12 30 days  
 April 15 - May 31 33 days  
 180 days



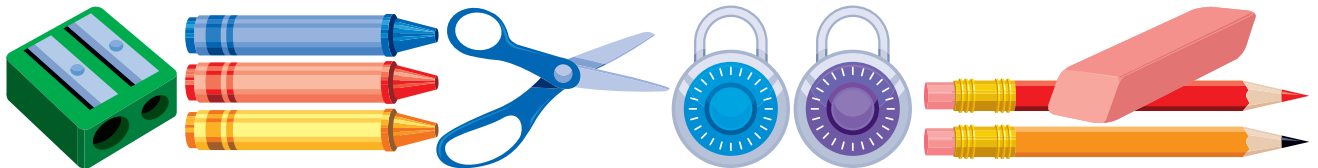
Registration - August 13 & 14; New Students - August 15  
 Graduation - May 31  
 Early Release Dates: November 21; December 21; May 30, 31

- New Staff Inservice
- Staff Development / Inservice Day
- Staff Preparation
- School Holiday; / Over Date = Early Out
- Bad Weather Day
- Staff Development Waiver Day
- STAAR Tests; < > EOC Testing Window
- Optional Extended Year

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# HEDLEY CALENDAR

**August 2012**

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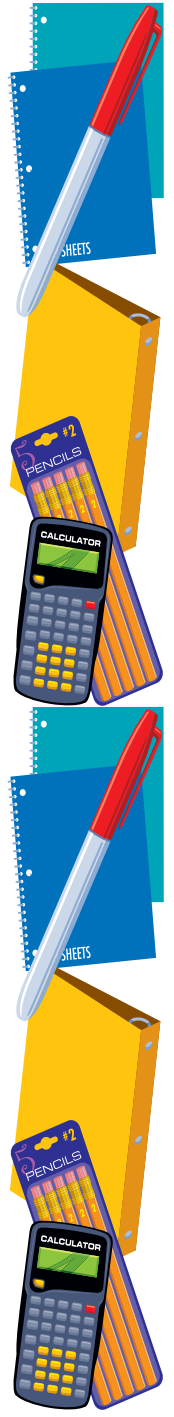
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First Six Weeks:	29
Second Six Weeks:	32
Third Six Weeks:	24
<b>First Semester:</b>	<b>85</b>
Fourth Six Weeks:	34
Fifth Six Weeks:	29
Sixth Six Weeks:	29
<b>Second Semester</b>	<b>92</b>
<b>Days Total</b>	<b>177</b>
Teacher In-Service/Workdays:	10 Days
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>187 Days</b>
<b>Adopted</b>	<b>Feb. 20, 2012</b>



# SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

## CLARENDON PRE-KINDERGARTEN

1-box of 8 large primary colored crayons  
 1-box of 10 primary color, washable markers  
 4-gluе sticks  
 1-Elmer's school glue, small  
 1-plastic box to hold supplies  
 1-spiral notebook  
 1-plastic folder (more durable and lasts longer)  
 1-box of Kleenex  
 1-water color set, primary colors  
 1-small backpack, no rollers please  
 1-container of wet wipes for cleaning hands/face  
 1-bottle hand sanitizer (boys)  
 1-container Clorox wipes (girls)  
 1-complete change of clothing including socks & underwear with student's name labeled on all items

## KINDERGARTEN

1-small school box (8" x 6")

1-box of 16 crayons (basic colors, standard size)  
 1-pair scissors (Fiskars brand)  
 1-Elmer's school glue white only  
 1-box of #2 standard pencils (yellow, sharpened)  
 1-box of 8 large markers (broad line, classic colors)  
 2-spiral notebooks  
 6-two-pocket folders  
 1-box of Ziploc bags (boys – gallon, girls – quart)  
 1-box of tissue  
 1-pull-top water bottle  
 1-water color set  
 1-large towel for resting (no mats please)  
 10-gluе sticks  
 \$1.50 for AR folder

## FIRST GRADE

2-large box tissues  
 12-six-sided #2 pencils (yellow)  
 1-box of 24 crayons  
 4-gluе sticks  
 2-Elmer's school glue  
 2-pkgs dry erase markers, 4 colors / pkg  
 1-water color set

2-erasers  
 1-box of 8 washable markers  
 5-folders with pockets (solid color)  
 1-school box  
 2-spiral notebooks (70-80 page, 10 1/2" x 8")  
 1-pair scissors (Fiskars brand for kids)  
 1-paint shirt  
 1-water bottle (pull-top)  
 1-backpack  
 1-box Ziploc bags (quart or gallon)  
 1-ruler with inch and centimeter markings  
 \$1.50 for AR folder

## SECOND GRADE

Please put student's name on each item  
 12-#2 pencils  
 1-box colored pencils  
 1-set of watercolors  
 2- pink erasers  
 2-Elmer's glue (white only)  
 4-gluе sticks  
 1-box crayons (24 ct.)  
 1-pair scissors (Fiskars brand for

kids)  
 1-school box (small only, large won't fit in desk)  
 2-boxes tissue  
 3-folders with pockets (no brads, plain and inexpensive)  
 3-spiral notebook – single subject  
 1-box markers (broadline, primary colors)  
 4-red pencils  
 \$1.50 for AR folder  
 Please do not send 3-ring binders/notebooks

## THIRD GRADE

Please put child's name on each item  
 1-pkg. red pencils / pens  
 1-box of 12 map pencils  
 2-pkg. #2 pencils  
 1- pink eraser  
 1-pkg. notebook paper (regular width lines)  
 3-folders with pockets  
 1-box Crayola brand crayons  
 1-box Crayola brand markers  
 1-pair Fiskars brand pointed school scissors  
 2-boxes tissue (large)

2-containers antibacterial wipes  
 1-ruler (with inch and centimeter markings)  
 1-Elmer's glue (white only)  
 2-gluе sticks  
 1-box Ziploc baggies (quart or gallon)  
 1-school supply box (small)  
 1-3-ring binder not to exceed 1 1/2 inches in width  
 1-pouch to be kept in 3-ring binder  
 2-one subject spiral notebooks  
 2-one subject composition journals (wide ruled)  
 \$1.50 for AR folder

## FOURTH GRADE

Please put child's name on each item  
 1-three-ring binder, no larger than 2"  
 1-pkg. loose leaf notebook paper  
 4-folders with pockets & holes for inserting in binder  
 1-small spiral notebook  
 8- #2 pencils (NO MECHANICAL)  
 1-pair scissors (Fiskars brand for kids)  
 2-boxes of tissue

1-Elmer's school glue  
 1-large gluе stick  
 1-box crayons  
 1-12" wooden ruler with metric markings  
 2-red pencils  
 1-pencil bag with zipper & holes for inserting in binder  
 2-boxes of tissue  
 1-box markers  
 1-box colored pencils  
 1-eraser  
 \$1.50 for AR folder

## FIFTH GRADE

2-pkg. loose leaf notebook paper  
 2-ink pen, blue or black  
 2-red ink pen  
 10-#2 pencils  
 1-box of map pencils  
 1-box of highlighters, multicolored  
 1-pkg Post-it page markers  
 1-pencil bag (no boxes please)  
 1-eraser  
 1-pair scissors  
 1-pkg. Elmer's school glue sticks  
 1-12" ruler  
 2-boxes of tissue

1-box colored markers  
 4-spiral notebooks  
 1-pencil sharpener, personal  
 2-folders with pockets and fasteners  
 \$1.50 for AR folder

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Pencils  
 Pens (black or blue) and red  
 3 composition books  
 3 folders w/pockets  
 Scissors  
 Bottle glue  
 Notebook paper  
 Colored pencils  
 Markers  
 Expandable file folder  
 1 ruler  
 5 tabbed dividers for English  
 1 pkg. ruled 3x5 index cards  
 Large spiral notebook  
 1 Three inch zipper binder  
 2 Ziploc baggies (quart size)  
 Box of Kleenex

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### EARLY CHILDHOOD

- 2 box of Kleenex
- 1 paint T-shirt
- 1 paint set
- 1 box triangle crayons (8 count)
- 2 plastic folders with pockets (no brads)

### KINDERGARTEN

- Small school box
- 1 large box of #2 pencils (Eagle)
- 24 count
- 8 count Crayola crayons
- 18 count Crayola crayons
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 (Fiskars) scissors
- 2 plastic pocket folders (no brads)
- 1 box Ziploc bags with zipper top
- 1 paint set
- 2 spiral notebooks
- \$5.00 for Weekly Readers
- 6 small glue sticks

### FIRST GRADE

- 1 small school box
- 2 boxes of No. 2 Pencils/ 12 ct.
- 2 boxes of 24 count crayons
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 5" blunt (Fiskars) scissors
- 1 plastic ruler
- 1 package of pencil top erasers
- 3 wide ruled spirals/one subject
- 8 green pocket folders with brads
- 2 boxes of Kleenex

### SECOND GRADE

- 3 pocket folders with brads
- 1 small school box
- 1 box of 24 count crayons
- 1 package of markers
- 1 (Fiskar) scissors
- 3 glue sticks
- 1 bottle Elmer's glue
- 24 #2 pencils
- 3 boxes of Kleenex
- 1 package of pencil tip erasers
- 2 package wide ruled notebook

### paper

- 1 box gallon Ziploc bags with zipper top
- 1 box quart size Ziploc bags
- 1 large container disinfectant wipes
- \$5.00 for Weekly Reader & Science Spin

### THIRD GRADE

- Small school box (not a large one)
- 12 #2 pencils
- 24 count crayons
- 1 box washable markers
- 12 count map colors
- Scissors
- 4 glue sticks
- 6 folders with pockets and brads
- 1 package pencil tip erasers
- 2 large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 package wide rule notebook paper
- \$5.00 for Weekly Reader magazine

### FOURTH GRADE

- Notebook paper (wide rule)

### 6 pocket folders with brads

- 1 spiral notebook
- 12 #2 pencils
- 3 red grading pens or pencils
- 1 box of map colors
- 1 box crayons
- 1 box of markers
- Glue
- 1 zippered school bag or school box
- Scissors
- 3 large boxes of Kleenex
- \$5.00 for Time for Kids

### FIFTH GRADE

- Scissors
- 2 glue sticks
- 1 small bottle school glue (Elmer's, etc)
- 6 folders with pockets and brads (various color if possible)
- 1 box washable markers
- 1 box colored pencils (long colored pencils)
- 2 pkg. notebook paper (wide rule only)

### 2 spiral notebook (appx. 70 pages each)

- 2 red pens
- 2 pens (black or blue)
- 12 #2 pencils
- 3 large boxes of Kleenex
- 1 12" ruler with inches & centimeters (wooden or hard plastic)
- 1 pencil box or pencil zipper bag
- 1 small clear water bottle (optional)
- 1 big eraser
- 1 pencil sharpener with cavity for shavings
- 2 yellow or light colored highlighters
- \$5.50 for Science Studies Weekly subscription

### SIXTH GRADE

- 1 package of long map colors
- 1 small package of markers
- 1 large package of markers
- 1 1-inch binder (not a notebook)
- 5 1 1/2 inch 3-ring binders (not a notebook)



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## CLARENDON NOTES:

# BRONCOS TO ISSUE ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT

Athletic director Gary Jack has announced that Saturday, August 4 will be the day that equipment will be issued to those who will be playing Bronco football for the 2012-2013 season. The hand out will begin at 9:00 a.m. with seniors and end with the incoming freshmen. Practice will begin on Monday, August 6 at 7:30 a.m. "All athletes are expected to be on time, clean shaven, have a good short haircut, and be at all practices and meetings," Jack said.

Girls and boys cross-country athletes grade 9-12 need to report to the Broncos gym Monday, August 6 at 7:30 a.m. All girl athletes playing basketball are highly encouraged to

participate in cross-country. Also, all athletes will receive any paper work still needed on August 6.

All incoming seventh, ninth, and eleventh grade athletes have to have a doctor's physical prior to practice. "We have already had our physical day so if you do not have your physical yet, you need to get it by next week and the forms will be at the clinic," Jack said.

Jack is ready to kick off the new season and hopes each athlete is ready to go as well. "I hope each of you is as excited as I am about this season," he said. "My expectations are very high for each of you and our teams. I am expecting to be in the playoffs in every sport once again."

## SEASON TICKETS

Clarendon CISD will begin selling reserved seating/season tickets to the public at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, August 13, 2012. Reserved seating/season tickets can only be purchased at the Administration Building, 416 South Allen Street. The cost of each football reserved seating/season ticket is \$25. This price allows admission into five regular season home games and reserves your seat in the prime viewing location.

## SENIOR PARENTS

The Clarendon Senior Class Parents will meet on Monday, August 13, at 6 p.m. in the CHS Auditorium to discuss activities for the year.

## LITTLE MISS CHEERLEADERS

The Clarendon High School Bronco Cheerleaders will be hosting "Little Miss Cheer Camp" for Kindergarten - 5th grade girls on Saturday, September 1. The young cheerleaders will then perform at the next week's Pep Rally and Home Game.

# CLARENDON BRONCOS FOOTBALL 2012

Aug. 17	Bovina-(scr)	5:00	HOME
Aug. 23	White Deer-(scr)	5:00	AWAY
Aug. 31	Tulia	7:00	HOME
Sept. 7	Vega	7:00	AWAY
Sept. 14	Wheeler	7:00	AWAY
Sept. 21	GRUVER***	7:00	HOME
Sept. 28	Booker	7:00	AWAY
Oct. 5	OPEN		
Oct. 12	West Texas*	7:00	HOME
Oct. 19	Panhandle*	7:00	AWAY
Oct. 26	Stratford*	7:00	HOME
Nov. 2	Sunray*	7:00	HOME
Nov. 9	Memphis*	7:00	AWAY
*District	***Homecoming		

## CLARENDON JV & JR. HIGH FOOTBALL 2012

Aug. 30	Tulia	JV	5:00	AWAY
Sept. 6	Vega	JV	5:00	HOME
Sept. 13	Wheeler	JH-JV	5:00	HOME
Sept. 20	Gruver	JH-JV	5:00	AWAY
Sept. 27	Booker	JH-JV	5:00	HOME
Oct. 4	OPEN			
Oct. 11	West Texas	JH-JV	5:00	AWAY
Oct. 18	Panhandle	JH-JV	5:00	HOME
Oct. 25	Stratford	JH-JV	5:00	AWAY
Nov. 1	Sunray	JH-JV	5:00	AWAY
Nov. 8	Memphis	JH-JV	5:00	HOME

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# HEDLEY OWLS FOOTBALL 2012

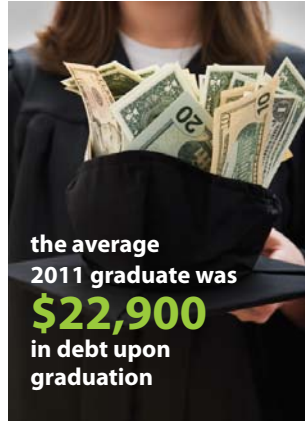
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Aug. 24	Chillicothe-(scr)	Away	TBA
Aug. 31	Groom	Away	7:30
Sept. 7	Lefors	Away	7:30
Sept. 14	McLean	Away	7:30
Sept. 21	Hart	Home	7:30
Sept. 28	Happy	Away	7:30
Oct. 5	Plainview Christian	Home	7:30
Oct. 12	Kress***	Home	7:30
Oct. 19	OPEN		
Oct. 26	Motley County*	Home	7:30
Nov. 2	Groom*	Home	7:30
Nov. 9	Silverton*	Away	7:30

\*District      \*\*\*Homecoming

## HEDLEY JR HIGH FOOTBALL 2012

Sept. 13	McLean	Home	5:00
Sept. 20	Darrouzett	Home	5:00
Sept. 27	Happy	Home	5:00
Oct. 4	St. Andrews	Away	5:00
Oct. 11	Kress	Away	5:00
Oct. 18	OPEN		
Oct. 24	Motley County	Away	5:00
Nov. 1	Groom	Away	5:00
Nov. 8	Silverton	Home	5:00

# HOW TO HANDLE STUDENT LOAN DEBT AFTER COLLEGE



**Today's college graduates face numerous challenges.** With the global economy still struggling, the job market for recent graduates is less than ideal. Competition for jobs is also heated, as high rates of unemployment have created a job market in which out-of-work yet experienced professionals are routinely competing over entry-level jobs with recent graduates, many of whom have little or no experience in their chosen fields.

But the difficult job market is only part of the troubles recent graduates must face. Mounting debt is a major issue for many college grads. In Canada, for example, the average debt for a university graduate more than doubled between 1990 and 2000. By the 2009, Canadian students' collective debt from the Canada Student Loan Program exceeded \$13 billion for the first time in history. Across the border in the United States, the Class of 2011 earned the distinction of being the most indebted graduating class in the country's history. According to estimates from student-aid Web sites Fastweb.com and FinAid.org, the average 2011 graduate was \$22,900 in debt upon graduation.

In addition to finding work in a job market that's overcrowded with applicants, recent graduates must also find a way to handle their now historic amount of debt. Those facing loan repayment while struggling to find a job should consider the following tips.

**\* DON'T DELAY REQUESTS FOR HELP.**

Procrastination isn't a good approach to dealing with debt, whether that debt is from student loans, credit cards or personal loans. Recent graduates who cannot find work or who were laid off should contact their lenders right away and inquire about lowering or postponing monthly payments. It's never good to miss a payment, which will negatively impact an individual's credit rating and is almost certain to draw a financial penalty. If trouble is on the horizon, consult the lender as early as possible. The lender will likely grant a deferment or forbearance, neither of which will tarnish an individual's credit.

**\* DON'T IGNORE IT.**

Simply ignoring a student loan and not repaying it is not a good approach. The loan will still be there, and even bankruptcy court is not likely to discharge a student loan. In other words, individuals are going to have to repay their student loans, so ignoring them is not going to work. If an individual stops repaying his or her loan without being granted a deferment or forbearance, eventually wages might be garnished and private lenders might even sue their borrowers.

**\* DON'T PANIC.**

The current economy could seem daunting to recent graduates. Some may wonder if they will ever find work in their fields or if they will ever be able to repay their loans. But panicking won't help. Lenders will be willing to work with borrowers who are honest and straightforward. Avoiding lenders and missing payments will only make the situation worse.

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# PLANNING IS KEY TO AFFORDING COLLEGE

Setting goals is often the first step to achieving your hopes and dreams for yourself and your family. Making a plan, however, is crucial to making those dreams a reality. This is especially true when it comes to a college education for your children. Starting a college savings plan when your children are young sets you on a path for success and can help you reduce the need for expensive student loans down the road. Establishing a college savings plan early and contributing to it often is the key to reducing, or even eliminating, student loan debt. According to the Project on Student Loan Debt, the average student-loan debt increased 24 percent to \$23,200 in 2008, up from \$18,650 in 2004.

According to FinAid.org, parents who put aside just \$50 per month from the time their child is born can grow a nest egg of more than \$20,000 by the time that child turns 18, assuming a 7 percent return on investment. Increasing those contributions to \$100 per month

can yield more than \$43,000.

While there are a number of college savings vehicles to choose from, savers should keep in mind that a 529 plan is a tax-free and, in some cases, state tax-deductible option. Operated by a state or educational institution, a 529 plan is an education savings plan designed to provide families with an easy way to save. Most offer online enrollment with minimal initial investment, as low as \$25. Additionally, contributions can be made by more than just a child's parents. Anyone can contribute to an account or open one on behalf of a child.

Many states offer a 529 plan and each state's plan is different. Morningstar, a leading provider of investment research, provides analysis on the majority of the nation's 529 plans and rates them based on a variety of key factors. Additional sources for information on 529 plans are SavingForCollege.com as well as CollegeSavings.org.



An example of a top-rated Morningstar 529 plan is CollegeAdvantage, Ohio's college savings plan. Account owners can contribute to a CollegeAdvantage account for as little as \$25 and accounts are available to any U.S. resident and funds can be used at any college in the country.

"Saving with a 529 plan offers parents, friends and family members an affordable and attainable way to

save for their loved one's future college expenses," said Richard Norman, interim executive director of Ohio Tuition Trust Authority. "Many times, just beginning the process can help families feel like college is a realistic and achievable goal."

For more information about CollegeAdvantage, or to start saving with Ohio's 529 plan today, visit [www.collegeadvantage.com](http://www.collegeadvantage.com).

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# POOR JOB MARKET LEADS TO SURPLUS TEACHERS

In response to teacher shortages in school districts across the country, many college students decided to earn degrees in education and graduate ready to fill the deficit. However, the tides have quickly turned, and now there are more teachers than there are jobs available. Even substitute teaching positions have dried up.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the unemployment rate in the education sector now hovers around 9 percent. Since autumn of 2008, school systems, state education agencies, technical schools, and colleges have shed about 125,000 jobs. Even teachers who specialize in math and science – subjects that tend to have the largest number of shortages – have found fewer and fewer opportunities. Schools simply are not hiring.

School closings are one reason for the loss of jobs in all areas of education. New York City was recently in the spotlight after Mayor Michael Bloomberg suggested some schools be

closed. New York City's Panel for Educational Policy voted to shut down 19 of the city's public schools due to underperformance.

Budget shortfalls and poor performance has also jump-started school closings in Illinois, Ohio and Rhode Island. School closings are often based on poor performance on standardized tests, declining enrollment and outdated facilities.

While closing and consolidating schools may or may not help students in the long run, it doesn't bode well for teachers trying to find jobs. Fewer opportunities and more applicants have combined to make the current job market for teachers less than bountiful.

And that problem is not uniquely American. According to TeachNZ in New Zealand, the number of school teachers leaving the profession is at its lowest point in a decade. And the number of teaching vacancies is also the lowest it has been in a decade.

A Nova Scotia report detailed a "critical" overabundance of qualified teachers in that province.

Furthermore, the Ontario College of Teachers published an article in its in-house magazine about a dire surplus situation in the province, which is expected to continue for years.

Some students are taking notice and making changes with regard to their education. Though a degree in education once nearly guaranteed a job, that is no longer true. Some teachers are electing to specialize in certain subjects that generally offer the most amount of vacancies. Others are considering relocation to different areas of the country in an effort to find jobs. Some teachers have decided to travel overseas and teach English to others until the job market at home levels off.

Teaching was once a profession seemingly immune to the ups and downs of the economy. Today, budget constraints and other factors have greatly diminished the number of employment opportunities for teachers, leaving a surplus of teachers out of work or working in another field.





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## HOW PARENTS CAN GET INVOLVED AT SCHOOL

Research indicates that children whose parents get involved with their education are more likely to earn better grades and less likely to have behavior problems in the classroom.

The concept of parents working in conjunction with schools is nothing new. A 1987 study by Paul G. Fehrmann and colleagues documented the importance of parental involvement on their child's grades. Published in the Journal of Education Research, the study found that when parents stayed directly involved in their child's studies throughout high school, the child's grades improved.

There are many different reasons

for parents to get involved with their child's school and the community. Helping their children succeed is just one of them. The choice is just how to go about connecting with the school. Here are a few ideas.

### WORK WITH THE TEACHER

Teachers are increasingly facing obstacles with regards to time and funding. Many must preside over large classes and are responsible for outfitting their classrooms with certain supplies. This presents ideal opportunities for parents to step up and pitch in.

Volunteering in your child's classroom is a good way for you to help his or her teacher and get a firsthand

account of what your child is doing in class. You may be asked to prepare and package homework assignments or put together materials for craft projects. Some teachers welcome parents who come in to read books to the class or even give spelling tests. Think about chaperoning a field trip or helping with the set-up and clean-up of class parties. If you keep an open dialogue with the teacher through phone calls or e-mail, you may be presented with plenty of opportunities to get involved.

### ATTEND MEETINGS

Parent-teacher associations or organizations are often instrumental in helping a school to run smoothly. They are the people behind fundraisers and special activities outside of the classroom. The PTA is also privy to information on upcoming events before the rest of the school community.

Attending monthly meetings can keep you up to speed on the goings-on at your child's school. It will also ensure your voice is heard with regards to school policy. Showing your face at meetings will also give you the opportunity to meet other parents.

### ATTEND SPECIAL EVENTS

Not every parent can serve on the PTA or be present in the daily activities of the classroom. However, you can

show your support by attending special events hosted by the school -- such as fundraisers or field-day activities.

Volunteer your time with the setup of teacher-appreciation lunches and bake sales, serve as a tour guide for the school when new parents are invited, build sets or make costumes for a school play, or take pictures of events and create a collage to be put on display in the school.

### VOLUNTEER YOUR SKILLS

Some schools can benefit from the specialized skills of parents. Ask if you can come in and talk about your job or hobby and demonstrate it to the class. Individuals who have technology skills can volunteer to install computer software or to run networking throughout the school. If you have a background in print layout, find out if you can help design and publish the school newsletter or yearbooks.

Anytime a parent volunteers his or her time, that means less funding has to go to hiring an outside vendor for the job, saving the school money it sorely needs.

Being involved in your child's school sets a positive example for your kids and provides their school with some much-needed assistance.

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