Teaching Tools Donation Guidelines



Donation Hours

June-July: Monday - Thursday 8:30 - 4:30 p.m. and Fridays 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

August-May: Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Please pull around to the back of our building and call the front desk: (813) 574-0260 for assistance.

Core School Supplies

New items are always preferred, but we accept the following items that are gently used, provided that they are in good shape and no student names have been written on them:

Backpacks (new) Crayon packs (new) Journals Pencil sharpeners

Binders Dividers Lunch bags (new) Pens

Calculators Erasers (new) Markers (new) Pocket folder Colored pencils (new) Filler paper Notebooks Poster boards

CompassesGlue (new)Pencils (new)RulersComposition booksHighlightersPencil casesScissors

Office Supplies

Teachers go through office supplies quickly and always welcome the following items:

Binder clips Flash drives (wiped) Paper clips Staplers, staples & removers

Binders (under 2") Hole punchers Permanent markers Tape/tape dispensers

Desk accessories (like new) Manila folders (new) Post-it notes Tote bags

Arts & Crafts/Incentives

Teachers are always looking for items that are either new or in like-new condition to use for student rewards.

Button/googly eyes Foam/feathers Incentives/prizes Stickers

Clay/play-dough Games/puzzles Kids meal toys Washable paint
Construction paper Glitter & glitter glue Promotional items (fun stuff) Water bottles (new)

Felt/fabric Headphones/ear buds (new) Sidewalk chalk

Cleaning Supplies, Personal & Hygiene Items

Many of the teachers we serve have students that not only rely on them for school supplies but for other needs as well.

Antibacterial wipes Feminine care products Shampoo/conditioner Toothpaste/toothbrushes

Body/hand soap Hand sanitizer Socks (k-5 sizes) Underwear
Deodorant Paper towels Tissues boxes/tissue packs Zip-lock bags

K-12 Reading Books

We accept new and gently used reading books for PreK-12 students. However, we do not accept textbooks or obsolete testing materials as the public school system has a specific curriculum.

STEM Instructional Items

The following items can be incorporated into a STEM activity of in new or in like-new condition:

Balloons Marbles Cups Popsicle sticks **Balls** Dice Paper plates **Rubber bands** Display boards Pipe cleaners **Stop Watches Batteries** Coffee filters Game pieces Playing cards **Straws Strings**

Cotton swabs/Q-tips Legos Pom-poms Yarn

For branded materials or questions on other materials, please contact **Denise Becker**, **Director of Teacher Resource Program** at **dbecker@educationfoundation.com** or (813) 574-0287 to discuss type of donation, quantity, age, condition, etc.

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Items Teaching Tools Cannot Accept as Donations

While we appreciate all the donations we receive, not all items are ideal for our teachers and students or easily stored in - or distributed from - our warehouse. Please refer to the following list of items that we DO NOT accept:

- Adding machines
- Baby cribs/car seats
- Bedding/sheets/towels/pillows
- Binders (over 2" or pre-printed)
- Books containing religious, explicit or political material
- Building materials and household fixtures
- Business card holders (plastic/wire)
- Cassette tapes
- Cell phones/chargers
- Chalkboards
- Clothing/shoes (new or used)
- College textbooks/FCAT textbooks
- Computer/media cables and wires
- Dividers (incomplete sets)
- Encyclopedias
- Food and perishable items
- Furniture*
- Gas/oil based products
- Hanging file folders (new/used)
- Home exercise equipment (i.e., treadmills)

- House paints, lacquers, thinners
- Large metal file cabinets
- Magazines (with the exception of National Geographic)
- Mounted fabric, carpet, flooring and wallpaper samples
- Non-working or obsolete electronics & accessories
- Overhead projectors
- Phones
- Printers (used)
- Printer ink/toner
- Televisions (table style)
- Transparencies
- Tube-style computer monitors
- Used stuffed animals
- Used manila folders
- VCRs

2020-2021 School Year Hours:

Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.

For more information or questions regarding donation items, please contact us at (813) 574-0287 or visit www.EducationFoundation.com.



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