

## FAQ

### **- How does the 1<sup>st</sup> Day School Supplies program work?**

Mason-Rice uses the services of 1<sup>st</sup> Day School Supplies and their back-to-school supply kit program. Please note that this program is not a fundraiser and the prices are competitive. Plus, you have the added benefit of getting exactly what the teachers have requested on their lists. The ordering happens in June. Please look out for emails from the PTO on how and when to order. It is a very easy and quick online process. The supply kits will be shipped to your home in August.

### **- Where can I buy supplies if I missed the deadline for ordering through 1<sup>st</sup> Day School Supplies?**

If you missed ordering in June, you can buy supplies on your own. Your options are to shop at Amazon, Target, Walmart, Staples, or anywhere you wish. The list of required supplies will be posted at [www.masonrice.org](http://www.masonrice.org) sometime this summer.

### **- Where can I find the list of supplies required by teachers?**

The current list of required supplies is usually posted on [www.masonrice.org](http://www.masonrice.org) in the summer.

### **- I ordered through 1<sup>st</sup> Day School Supplies in June. When and where will my child receive the supplies?**

Your supplies will arrive at your home at least one week before school starts. Please look out for communication in August about when to bring in supplies to school.

### **- Can I help volunteer to sort the supplies delivered from 1<sup>st</sup> Day?**

No. This year we are not able to do the sorting and delivery of school supplies. This event has been a long standing tradition at Mason Rice and we will miss seeing all of you in August. All supply kits will be shipped to home.

### **- I can't remember if I ordered the supplies in June. How can I check?**

Search your email for the order confirmation:

- by website address - [1stdayschoolsupplies.com](http://1stdayschoolsupplies.com)
- check your spam and promotions folders
- contact 1<sup>st</sup> Day at Email: [info@1stDaySchoolSupplies.com](mailto:info@1stDaySchoolSupplies.com)
- If you are still not able to find the confirmation, and you believe you have ordered the supplies, you can email [inna@toadler.com](mailto:inna@toadler.com) or [syleng314@gmail.com](mailto:syleng314@gmail.com). One of us will check the order list for the name of your child. Please allow 2 days for a reply.

### **Are the teachers particular about brands? Do they need to be exactly the same pencils and notebook brands or does the same description count?**

We recommend getting the requested brand if it is a name brand. It is important to get a quality product. You can substitute where it makes sense. For example, for markers, getting the Crayola ones is important as others dry out mid-year. Make sure the folders are plastic and sturdy as the paper ones do not last all year. The school's green team recommends low odor and environmentally safer products as specified.

### **My family would benefit from a scholarship for school supplies. Who do I contact?**

Our PTO willingly supports those families who might benefit from a scholarship for school supplies. Please contact Jake Bultema ([jacob\\_bultema@newton.k12.ma.us](mailto:jacob_bultema@newton.k12.ma.us)) for assistance.