

Art Supply List

Use this checklist when collecting materials for your art center.

Paper

Construction paper- in a variety of colors and sizes

Tissue paper -in a variety of colors

Butcher block/news print- comes in a big roll (you can sometimes get these free from a newspaper they call them end rolls)

Plain white or scratch paper! (I get boxes from an aunt who works in an office)

Poster board or tag board- white and other colors

Freezer wrap or finger paint paper

Wallpaper samples- (you can sometimes get these from wallpaper stores that will give away old sample books)

Magazines

Paper bags- brown and white ones big and small ones

Paper plates- large and small

Streamers- in a variety of colors (left over from birthday parties is great!)

Coffee filters- small and large sizes (white)

Card stock- (harder paper used for making greeting cards) you may want to have some on hand for some special projects, you can buy it in craft stores, we use it for picture frames, cards, and other things

Color Products

Crayons- big and small sizes for all ages

Markers- washable ones in a variety of colors (a hint- Crayola markers last the longest) try the stamper ones and the color change ones they are great!

Colored pencils- smelly ones are fun!

Chalk- colored and white, sidewalk and chalk board types

Tempera paint- in a variety of colors

Water color paints- small size and large "cake" size

Finger paints- in a variety of colors

Fabric paints- in a variety of colors for special projects

Food coloring- for play dough, coloring macaroni, coffee filter art, etc.

Stamp pads

2 care
+ 2 teach

4 kids

Tools

Art easel- Great for developing larger motor skills in arms and wrists and really stimulate creativity in children they love to stand at it and paint!

Paint brushes- in a variety of sizes, the big chunky ones are great for really little kids

Paint rollers- small sponge rollers are really fun!

Sponges- you can find precut sponges in all kinds of fun shapes or make your own with regular kitchen sponges

Q-Tips- for dot painting, to use for gluing, or coloring with chalk

Paint trays

Paint/Water Cups- there are some spill proof ones out there that are great!

Pipettes or eye droppers- for squeezing paint onto paper and coffee filters

Pencil/Crayon sharpener

White glue- regular old school glue... buy a huge bottle and refill small ones

Glue sticks- make gluing really easy and quick

Glue gun- ONLY TO BE USED WITH ADULTS- great for some craft projects where white glue wont hold

Kid Scissors

Plastic darning needles- small hands can use them to sew lacing cards, paper, foam, and felt

Plastic Cars- for painting

Miscellaneous

Buttons- a variety is great for creative art and craft activities

Sequins- a variety is great for creative art and craft activities

Paper Fasteners- those little metal things are great!

Yarn- in bright fun colors and some "hair shades" for puppets and such

Clothes pins- the pinch type and the regular type, for craft projects, and the pinch ones can be used to hold sponges for painting

Wiggly eyes- in small and large sizes

Chenille sticks- in a variety of colors

Wikki sticks- wax covered stick that bend and move found in craft stores

Feathers- in a variety of colors

Felt- in a variety of colors

Fun foam sheets- in a variety of colors

Glitter- in a variety of colors

Popsicle Sticks- medium to large sizes for everything from puppet holders to glue and paint applicators.

Beads- colored plastic beads for making jewelry and bead creature

Ribbon- in a variety of colors

Play dough and clay- for sculpting

Rubber stamps

Plaster of Paris

