

# WRITING CENTER

## BRINGING LITERACY INTO THE CLASSROOM



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### Suggested Materials needed:

**COLORED PENCILS, VARIOUS SIZE MARKERS, CRAYONS, BALLPOINT PENS, MECHANICAL PENCILS. KEEP SOME STANDARD MATERIALS AND ADD/DELETE DEPENDING ON THE THEME-E.G. GEL PENS FOR SPECIAL INVITATIONS, WHITE CRAYONS TO USE WITH DARK PAPER.**

**VARIETY OF PAPER-8 ½ X 11, LEGAL, CONSTRUCTION, SMALL AND LARGE INDEX CARDS, ENVELOPES, SOME LINED (ALTHOUGH CHILDREN WILL CHOOSE THIS WHEN THEY ARE READY), SMALL PIECES OF CARDBOARD OR OAKTAG. KEEP SOME STANDARD MATERIALS AND ADD/DELETE AS SUGGESTED ABOVE.**

**RUBBER STAMPS (INCLUDING ALPHABET LETTERS), INK PADS, TAPE, STAPLER, SCISSORS, MAILING LABELS, STICKERS, STAMPS (SUCH AS THOSE INCLUDED IN "JUNK" MAIL)**

**AN ALPHABET CHART SHOULD BE ATTACHED TO EACH SPACE ON THE TABLE WHERE A CHILD MIGHT SIT. UPPER AND LOWER CASE SHOULD BE NEXT TO EACH OTHER. E.G. AA BB CC DD, ETC.**

**2-3 SETS OF CARDS WITH CHILDREN'S NAMES ON A METAL RING. ALL UPPER CASE ON ONE SIDE OF THE CARD AND TRADITIONAL SPELLING ON THE OTHER SIDE-I.E. BOBBY/BOBBY. A GOOD IDEA IS TO ONLY HAVE 3-4 CHILDREN'S NAMES ON EACH RING SO THEY DON'T HAVE TO SPEND A LOT OF TIME LOOKING THROUGH SO MANY CARDS AND IT MAKES IT EASIER TO SHARE IF THE WRITING AREA IS BUSY.**

**"BLANK BOOKS" ARE EASILY MADE AND SHOULD ALWAYS BE AVAILABLE. FOLD 2-4 SHEETS OF 8 ½ X 11 PAPER IN HALF AND STAPLE. ADD A PIECE OF CONSTRUCTION PAPER FOR A COVER.**

**DRY-ERASE BOARDS AND MARKERS, PICTURE DICTIONARY**

**SMALL CHALKBOARDS AND CHALK, SMALL AND LARGE CLIPBOARDS**

**NOTEPADS OF VARYING SIZES**