



## Setting Up Our Studio!

The *atelier*, or art studio, is an essential part of a school inspired by the philosophy of Reggio-Emilia. The *atelier* is a place for exploration, creativity and a way for children to express their thoughts and ideas. It is an integral part of the cognitive and symbolic expression involved in the process of learning. Natural, unexpected and recyclable objects that are all around us open up a world of discovery for our young children.

Attached, you will find an inventory of materials. While some we have ordered from our art supply catalog, many of the items are those you may have at home, in your yard or your recycling box.

We would be delighted if you could help us by collecting and donating your “treasures.” What a simple way to contribute to our Temple Emanuel Early Childhood Center community!

## And For Our Centers...

Children learn through play. They try on different roles, learn to negotiate with one another, practice their language skills or simply delight in pretending to be someone else! The best items to stretch children’s imaginations are those that are real. We would love your donations.

In our Dramatic Play Area we could use purses, scarves, shawls, shoes, skirts, shirts, nightgowns, vests or beads. In our Writing Center we would love items such as calculators, magazines such as National Geographic, office supplies, rulers, measuring tape, maps, atlases, stationery, adult dictionaries and nature guides. In the Kitchen Area we would appreciate utensils such as wooden spoons, whisks, mixing bowls, small tablecloths or cloth napkins, small pots and pans, empty pasta or cereal boxes and measuring cups.

Have fun and feel free to use your imagination!

## Comprehensive Studio List

### Collage Materials

Seeds of all kinds  
Lace  
Felt  
Fabric  
Jewelry/jewels  
Hardware (nuts, bolts, fasteners)  
Natural feathers  
Gauze, tulle, netting  
Buttons  
Glitter  
Toothpicks  
Wire – all sizes/materials (brass, silver/copper)  
Twisted color wire  
Telephone wire  
Coated clothesline wire  
Plexiglas mirror pieces  
Veneer  
Charms  
Rubber stamps  
Old game pieces  
Old puzzle pieces  
Metal objects  
Glass/ceramic pieces  
Wire cutters  
Chicken wire  
Pipe cleaners  
Beads  
Corks  
Wood beads  
Yarn  
Ribbons  
Trip  
Q-tips  
Rubber bands  
Glass beads  
Sequins  
Popsicle sticks  
Tongue depressors  
Colored sand  
Ceramic shapes  
Straws  
Form rubber  
Looms

### Paper

White drawing paper  
Textured grays and off whites from graphic offices  
Charcoal papers  
Computer paper  
Tissue paper  
Crepe paper  
Designed paper  
Wrapping paper  
Drawing paper  
Fadeless colored paper  
Cellophane  
Sand paper  
Waxed paper  
Newspaper  
Newsprint  
Paper towels  
Wallpaper  
Construction paper  
Tracing paper  
Contact paper  
Butcher paper  
Mural paper  
Shelf paper  
Paper bags  
Paper cups/muffin liners  
Paper plates  
Tag board  
Poster board  
Magazines  
Blue print paper  
Shiny, metallic paper  
Unmarked envelopes  
Unused cards  
Post-its  
Stationery  
Transparent paper  
Aluminum foil  
High-gloss construction paper  
Matte construction paper  
Coffee filters  
Bulletin board paper  
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### Sculpture materials

Paper Mache  
Gray clay  
White clay  
Air-dry Mexican potter clay  
Playdough  
Salt/flour clay  
Clay tools  
Canvas covering for tables  
Plaster of Paris

### Drawing materials

Black felt tip markers – uniball fine, expresso medium, sharpie- extra fine  
Colored pencils  
Pentel fine markers  
Alpha color pastels  
Drawing pencils  
Crayons  
Chalk  
Crapas/oil pastels  
Pastels  
Fabric markers  
Pencils  
Markers – bold/thin  
Graters  
Irons  
Warming tray  
Muffin tin  
Lead pencils  
Watercolor pencils  
Charcoal  
Rulers

### Shadow and light

Shadow screen  
Light table  
Overhead projector  
Flashlights  
Transparent/translucent materials  
Anything from collage list and beyond

### **3D Construction and woodworking**

Cardboard – all sizes  
and shapes  
Styrofoam  
Tubes  
Boxes  
Panel board  
Frames  
Coffee cans  
Oatmeal boxes  
Tape  
Scissors  
String  
Salt containers  
Juice cans  
Egg cartons  
Aluminum foil  
Straws  
Foam rubber  
Hangers  
Wood – all shapes and  
sizes  
Wood glue  
Nails  
Safety goggles  
Tool set  
Dowels  
Clothespins  
Sand  
String  
Rope  
Clips  
Bottle caps  
Springs  
Bobbars  
Hooks  
Washers  
Pulleys  
Wheels  
Magnets  
Elastic  
Lanyard  
Shoelaces  
Cones  
Logs  
Mirrors  
Wood shavings  
Cotton balls  
Fasteners and grommets

Rubber and metal  
washers  
Eye hooks  
Screws  
Snaps  
Zippers  
Tassels  
Bubble wrap

### **Natural materials**

Dried flowers  
Dried fruit  
Pressed laminated  
Seeds – winged or fluffy  
Grasses  
Onionskin  
Acorns  
Pinecones  
Rocks, stones  
Shells  
Cotton  
Wood  
Leather  
Sticks, branches  
Gourds  
Nuts leaves  
Crystals  
Seeds, pods  
Ferns  
Twigs  
Dried fruit  
Pressed laminated  
Seeds – winged or fluffy  
Grasses  
Onionskin

### **Paint tools**

Brayer roller  
Toothbrushes  
Screen frame  
Gadgets for printing –  
loofahs, foam, kitchen  
utensils etc.  
Spreaders  
Rollers

### **Paint**

Prang watercolor sets –  
set of 16 Niji tubes  
Premium grade tempera  
Dick Blick brushes –  
economy camel hair for  
tempera – sizes 4,6,8  
Assorted watercolor  
brushes  
Rit dye  
Powder tempera paint  
Fabric paint  
Watercolor sets (hard  
and liquid)  
Tempera blocks  
Smocks  
Food coloring  
Finger paint

### **Tools, supplies, glue**

Staples and staplers  
Whole punch  
Clear plastic sheeting  
Elmer's gel glue  
Glue sticks  
Double stick tape  
YES glue for panels  
Hot glue and gun for  
heavy objects  
Scissors  
Erasers  
Crimpers  
Silk screens  
Easels  
Looms  
Pencil sharpeners  
Baby food jars