



4. Encourage family members to reflect on what it would be like to begin the school year without basic school supplies. Discuss why various groups plan ways to donate school supplies to families who need them. As a family, talk about how you would feel if you couldn't afford school supplies and someone anonymously donated supplies for your children to use. Why might an anonymous gift of school supplies be appreciated by some families?
5. Visit your school's website to find a list of required school supplies for the upcoming school year. Decide if you want to help students in an elementary or middle school, or if you want to help high-school students.
6. Decide how much you want to spend on this helping project and choose which supplies you will purchase. Watch for back-to-school sales to get good bargains, so you can give more for your money.
7. Consider enlisting the help of other families and friends or a church youth group or Sunday school class. Teens often enjoy working with their friends to make a service project even bigger and better.
8. Arrange a time to deliver the supplies you collect to the donation drop-off location. Before you get out of the car with the supplies you've gathered, pause to ask God to bless the students who will receive your gift.

