

Supplies

Collect a stash of supplies that you can use or store at the school/organization. You should be able to get most of these from the hosting school, so don't buy them—just have them handy.

- Pencils/markers/crayons
- Scissors
- Rulers
- Clipboards/small whiteboards to write on
- Scrap paper
- Hand sanitizer
- Paper towels

Buy these with money you get donated from the host/PTA/grants you work for

- Goggles—I like the ones that are purchased from science stores called “safety glasses”.

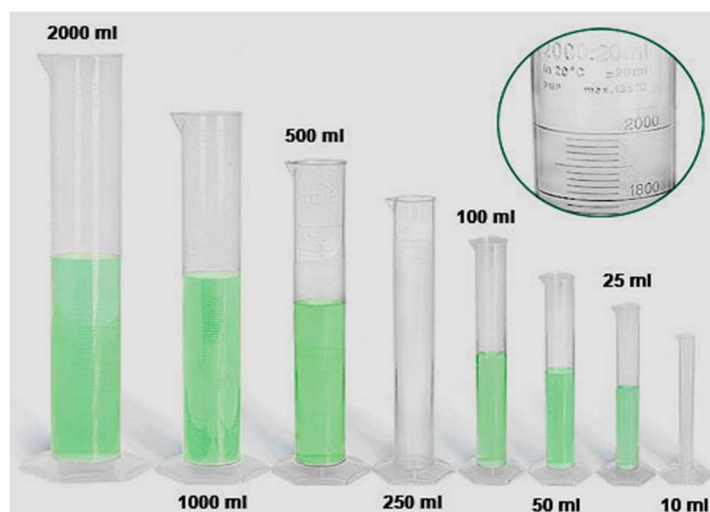
They are hard plastic, easy to keep clean and don't have that rubber smell.



- A digital camera—This is for you to document the fun, and to market your club. If the school has cameras the girls can use, by all means borrow them and let the girls take pictures too.

- Graduated cylinders—available possibly from the school or from science supply stores.

The girls like to use them and they teach precision.



- Tools

- One of the most important investments you can request money for and purchase is tools for the girls to use. We have used these over the years to take apart computers, work on LEGO® Robotics, design and assemble electric circuits, and more. Quality is not the most important thing here—quantity is. Go to the local hardware store and buy the sets of multiple sizes of screwdrivers, needle-nose pliers, and a few small hammers. See if the store will donate them to you, or let you have the discontinued ones at a discount. Then guard them with your life.
- A few inexpensive sets of the very small screwdrivers used for computers are perfect for taking apart computers for a meeting, a fabulous activity.
- Ask for donations—a lot of people have extra screwdrivers and pliers sitting around and would not mind giving them to you.
- Lock tools up when you are done with your meetings—they tend to walk, and you do not want tools unsupervised in a school.