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BACK-TO-SCHOOL EDITION

CLASS ACTS

Cool-It Caddy, \$25 at Coolitcaddy.com. Protect your power bars, water bottles, lip gloss and other necessities from the scorching heat with these cute canvas bags packed with layers of insulation.



Memory on Hand, \$18.95 at Dailygrommet.com. A silicone wristband conceals a USB storage drive (2GB or 4 GB) for easy access to electronic files.



Olsenboye Military Backpack, \$29.99 at JCPenney.com. Stars and hearts add a girly touch to this great bag for the high school girl.



Lunchskins, \$25.25 at Abesmarket.com. Reusable sandwich bags for the eco-conscious student who scoffs at the idea of tossing plastic bags after lunch.



Hello Kitty Sk8-Hi D-Lo high tops, \$55 at Vans.com, Amazon.com and Nordstrom.com. Where adorable meets edgy.



Time, Money & Fractions iPad app, \$9.99 at Schoolzone.com. Kids ages 6-7 can practice their skills to help build confidence.



Rockin ABC's Tee for boys, \$28 at Psychobaby.com, [1630 N. Damen](http://1630N.Damen.com), and Psychobabyonline.com. For the young rebel in your life.



Sena iPad case, \$24 (originally \$100) at Nomorack.com.



Yummy Pockets Hot Dog Pencil Case, \$6 at Psychobaby.com, [1630 N. Damen](http://1630N.Damen.com), and Psychobabyonline.com. Perfect for the grade-school child. (If you can forgive the ketchup, that is.)



Zoo York Canvas Shoe, \$29.99 at JCPenney.com. A classic shoe for boys on a budget.

Have a child who's not too jazzed to return to the dreaded hallways this year? Maybe a hot dog pencil case could turn things around.

There is no shortage of quirky gadgets and accessories for children to sport to school this year. And you won't have to break into your child's college fund — stores are making many back-to-school items surprisingly affordable.

Here are some must-have finds — for every age group — that are sure to make the other kids green with envy:

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