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RIGHT ROAD TALENT BINDER TIPS!

As highlighted in Right Road For Kids™ Episode 1 - "You Are Special! - a Right Road Talent Binder is a very meaningful resource for a child. A few dollars invested can make a world of difference, as a Talent Binder can become that "special go-to place" that a child can "visit" time and time again to remember his or her specialness, develop his or her talents, and express him or herself in crucial positive ways. Here are some helpful tips for making your very own:



- 1) **GATHER THE BINDERS** → Even a simple \$1 economy binder from Wal-Mart or a dollar store can be made into a treasure for a child. Just check to make sure the quality is good, so it will at least last through a school year. (Kids love to keep their Talent Binders and add to them year after year!) If funds are an issue especially for a whole classroom, this is a great thing to ask for as a donation from parents, grandparents, or a local store. With perseverance, someone WILL step forward to help!
- 2) **GATHER "STARTER" TALENT BINDER SUPPLIES** → Like with the binders, these supplies are great items to ask for as donations. Suggested starter Right Road Talent Binder supplies: Pencil pouches to hold the supplies (with three holes to fit inside the Talent Binders), 12-count boxes of colored pencils, pencils, mechanical pencils (for when you don't have time to think about if pencils are sharpened or not!), erasers, markers or gel pens, binder paper, and plain white paper. Each subsequent Right Road For Kids!™ episode will highlight helpful items that can be added as your child or class progresses through the various Right Road lessons and projects.
- 3) **ADD "I'M ON THE RIGHT ROAD!" STICKERS** → High-quality labels can be purchased for a nominal amount on the www.rightroadkids.org website - or you (or the kids!) can make your own! Office supply stores like Office Depot and Staples sell packs of blank 3"x 4" labels (perfect size). If the kids will be making them, encourage them to design stickers with their vision of being on their "Right Road"! Then, stick them right on the front of the Talent Binders!
- 4) **PERSONALIZE THE TALENT BINDERS** → Taking the time to personalize each child's Talent Binder (even with just a simple name label) shows them that you really care and that will go the extra mile for them. It's a very special personal touch that means the world to kids.
- 5) **MAKE THE PRESENTATION SPECIAL** → Whether you use the Right Road For Kids!™ DVD series, have Paula personally work with your classroom, and/or create your own "Right Road" themes and projects, have the Talent Binders ready for your kids when you introduce the "Right Road" program to them. It's a wonderful and very effective way to kick-start the whole program!
- 6) **KEEP THEM IN A SAFE PLACE** → Whether at home or at school, in their desks or on a bookshelf, encourage kids to keep their Talent Binders in a safe, easy-to-get-to place. It's amazing how the positive "Right Road" feelings and results will be strengthened even more each time a child simply opens his or her Right Road Talent Binder!

