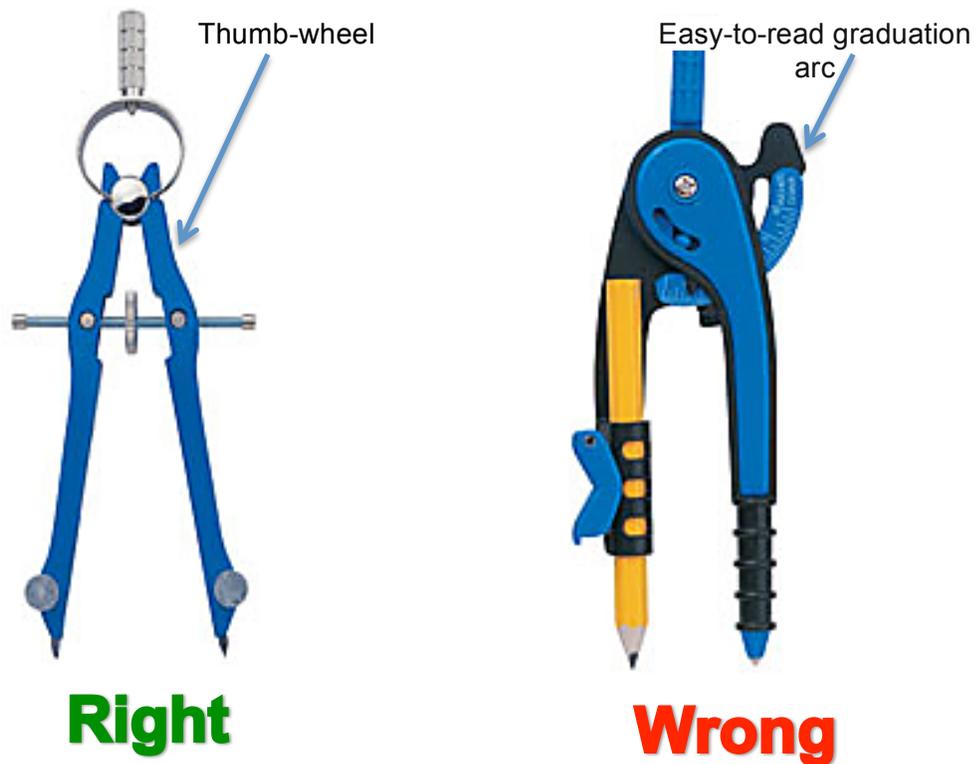


Students/Parents,

Once again it is time to do your back to school shopping. As a geometry student you will have an item on your list that is a little out of the ordinary; a compass. Based on past experience this item rapidly becomes hard to find once school starts and all 1500 Issaquah School District geometry students start trying to track one down. So, because I want you to be successful in everything, including your back to school shopping, I thought I'd give you a little direction as well as a head start on the other 1400 geometry students in the Issaquah School District.

I strongly recommend getting a compass with a thumb wheel adjustment as shown below, and stay away from any variety with the "easy to read" graduation arc. They may be easy to read, but with use they quickly become worn and do not adequately hold the pencil point.



I have recently seen compasses on the shelf at Staples, Office Depot and, believe it or not, The Home Depot. Additionally I have provided links to recommended items from the Staples and Office Depot on-line stores:

Staples

- [Staedtler® GeoStudent Compass \(\\$4.29\)](http://www.staples.com/Staedtler-Geo-Student-Compass/product_371130)  
[http://www.staples.com/Staedtler-Geo-Student-Compass/product\\_371130](http://www.staples.com/Staedtler-Geo-Student-Compass/product_371130)

- [Staedtler® GeoMaster Compass \(\\$11.49\)](http://www.staples.com/Staedtler-Geomaster-Compass/product_274670)  
[http://www.staples.com/Staedtler-Geomaster-Compass/product\\_274670](http://www.staples.com/Staedtler-Geomaster-Compass/product_274670)

#### Office Depot

- [Staedtler® GeoStudent Compass \(\\$4.29\)](http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/448611/Staedtler-GeoStudent-Compass/)  
<http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/448611/Staedtler-GeoStudent-Compass/>
- [Helix Giant Metal Bow Compass, 6" \(\\$8.59\)](http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/156719/Helix-Giant-Metal-Bow-Compass-6/)  
<http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/156719/Helix-Giant-Metal-Bow-Compass-6/>
- [Staedtler® Mars® 556 Comfort Compass \(\\$11.99\)](http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/707863/Staedtler-Mars-556-Comfort-Compass/)  
<http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/707863/Staedtler-Mars-556-Comfort-Compass/>
- [Staedtler® GeoMaster Bow Compass \(\\$12.09\)](http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/448841/Staedtler-GeoMaster-Bow-Compass/)  
<http://www.officedepot.com/a/products/448841/Staedtler-GeoMaster-Bow-Compass/>

While you are shopping in addition to the compass you will also need:

- a protractor (virtually any protractor will do)
- a straight edge (a rule is fine)
- pencils/erasers,
- a colored pen,
- two graph paper filled spiral notebooks,
- a calculator.

The district provides calculator guidance under the “A note about calculators” heading on the [High School Math](http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/academics/core/math/high/) (<http://www.issaquah.wednet.edu/academics/core/math/high/>) page of their web site. Please note ***a smart phone with a calculator app is not an acceptable substitute for a calculator.***

I am looking forward to meeting you and introducing you to Mr. Euclid’s geometry.  
Happy Shopping.

Mr. Heasley