**Starting a Heat Press School Based Enterprise**

Getting Started: (tips from a SC teacher with a successful heat press career lab)

Proworldinc.com – purchase your heat press here and also a great place to buy your heat press vinyl supplies

Signwarehouse.com- purchase your vinyl cutter here. Stick with the R series. They run specials that include the vinyl cutter and heat press occasionally.

Be sure that you purchase the cutter AND program together. The program is important.

Materials and Advice on Where to Purchase

Vinyl (Heat Press Vinyl- HPV) Get lots of colors and styles, but stick to one brand so you and your students will be familiar with way it works

Sign Vinyl (Sticker)- Good for cups and other hard surfaces

Heat Press- 15 X 15 or 17 X 17. Go cheap on this

Vinyl Cutter- Stick with R Series Cutter Packages (you need a simple program and it comes with tutorials- watch them!)

Teflon Sheet- Must have. Amazon has them cheap.

Cutting Blades- buy lots of extra blades. Amazon also has these. You need a pack of 45 and 60 degrees.

Tweezers- stainless steel (or buy wide masking tape)

T-ruler- useful for lining up items before you press

Seamstress Tape Measure- helpful in getting sizes right

Heat resistant gloves- need for all students and teachers operating heat press

RGRILEY.com- great place to purchase shirts and wear (call first to set up account)

Dollardays.com – great place to purchase random items to see (hats, bags, cups, etc)

Cheapesttees.com- excellent customer service department and great place for random size orders

Proworldinc.com- great place to buy vinyl (both sign and HPV)- tell them you are from a school and you will get a discount

Signwarehouse.com- good for buying bulk and larger size vinyl (website can be overwhelming)