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12 Ways Families Can Get Organized This School Year

Back-to-School is such a smooth and simple process...said *no* parent ever. In my years of parenting multiple kids (sometimes in three different schools at once) I have often battled the chaotic feeling of this time of year. I'm sure there are seasoned parents everywhere who know the feeling. So much of preparing to get the kids back to school can be a royal pain in the behind, starting with those dang required school supply lists! Each grade level is loaded (right in the beginning of elementary school) with things like writing utensils, erasers, cleaning products, and can someone PLEASE tell me exactly what the Ziploc baggies are for, because I *still* don't know! In middle schooler, it's more of the same stuff, but add highlighters, organizers, and dividers. Then comes high school, oh boy, that's when it gets tricky. Because it's all that stuff (minus the wipes and baggies I suppose) but then it's also complicated scientific calculators, specific books for summer reading, and lots and lots of papers to read and sign as well as expectations, teacher conferences and sports schedules.

I imagine those supply lists are probably emailed to families now, or posted online, but we used to be able to get copies of them at our local Walmart before school started (gotta get them early because they run out fast). I don't like shopping very much, and I especially dislike going to Walmart, which is the most common place to get school stuff affordably and all at once. If they ran out certain items (which they often did) we'd head to The Dollar Tree, Dollar General, or the local pharmacy. It was always just such a hassle...and each year we always had left over supplies (I still do). If my kids were still in school (hallelujah my last just graduated high school this May!), I would be buying all that stuff online.

Over the years, it was not just the shopping that seemed chaotic and



a nuisance, but it was forms to read and sign, the parent teacher conferences and sports schedules, and the increasing number that were required to be done using technology. There is so much more too. So, over time I learned some ways to get organized and keep track of things. Some moms are pretty good at this already (I was not), and there are some dads out there (especially the single ones) who find all this stuff challenging (which typically does not make them a favorite with Mom or the kids). Here are ways can help keep things straight this school year:

1. Print out the school calendar (on your district's website) for the year and post on the fridge.
2. Utilize your phone's calendar for your child's schedule (#1 technology tool for busy families/parents). Enter all events, PT conferences, days off of school (helpful for daycare/time off from work/kid activities planning).
3. Share this calendar with your spouse, grandparent, shared custody parent/guardian. If something changes later in the year, alter it on the master and it will change it for everyone.
4. Sync it to your work/personal to avoid missing events or to help forecast day-off requests.
5. Create a folder for each child's school papers (digital and hard copies).
6. Lunch funds: plan ahead and put money on account (when I could afford to do it I did it a month in advance for an

entire month (it put the kids at ease) or every Sunday night put money on their account for the coming week.

7. It's probably too late now, but get their well-checks and/or sports physicals early (after many years of waiting too long to schedule (spring/summer) and not being able to get an appointment until after school started, I started calling pediatrician at the end of the school year for a date).
8. Keep all shot records in one place (whether it's digitally or hard copies or both).
9. Buy a notebook (or make a desktop file) of social media sites and saved passwords, virtual spectator websites for sport/extracurricular events.
10. DO keep cash (and checks) at home and on hand for those times that require only those forms of payment (believe it, I cannot tell you how many times this has happened to me with sports, clubs, little fundraisers kids/teens have at school like Valentine's flowers, sing o grams, waffle days, dress down day, you name it).
11. School Supplies Bucket/Box: Create one for all the stuff the kids bring back unused/leftover (go to that box next summer before school starts-recycle if possible while saving money and time).
12. If you feel your student (no matter the age) will require any special attention or have certain needs, contact their teacher(s). (I have done this every year for all 3 of my children and I have never had a teacher say that they did not appreciate it, quite the opposite actually). Copy and paste the same message, change the teacher's name in the greeting to save yourself some time.

Back to school time can be stressful for us as parents, but believe it or not, it's often even more stressful for our kids. New people, new teachers, sometimes even new schools; lots of expectations and pressures. While you are getting organized, let your child know that you believe in them, you are here for them and that they will do great this year...even if (and ESPECIAL-LY) they are teenagers. YOU GOT THIS!

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Jessica McGrath, Beck Center Assistant Director of Education states, “Families can bring their kids to experience all of the art forms at Beck Center. Year-round each child has the opportunity to immerse themselves in

an art form that excites them.”

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Open all year to produce theater and arts education for you and your family, Beck Center for the Arts offers OPEN ENROLLMENT year-round for private instrument and voice lessons, and Creative Arts Therapies sessions with a talented staff of award-winning instructors.

How much should a backpack weigh?

Backpacks are handy tools that carry an array of gear. Students rely on them to hold books, while hikers and campers utilize backpacks to carry items such as food and beverages that keep them safe on trails. Even office workers may turn to backpacks to carry laptops or other tools of the trade.

Backpacks are handy resources, but overstuffed backpacks may cause injury. Backpacks should only carry weight that people can handle, and there are guidelines that can help people safely utilize backpacks.

The weight of a backpack depends on the age of the person using it. Generally speaking, adults should not

exceed 20 percent of total body mass when loading backpacks. That means a healthy person weighing 200 pounds should not carry more than 40 pounds in his or her backpack.

In regard to children, researchers indicate that a child’s backpack should weigh no more than 10 percent of what the student weighs. Those findings are based on a Spanish study involving 49 primary school-aged children. Therefore, if a child weighs 70 pounds, he or she should only carry up to 7 pounds in the backpack.

Individuals also should follow a few other backpack recommendations to

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There are many arts organizations in the area, but only The Fine Arts Association in Willoughby offers all the arts under one roof. FAA offers classes in all artistic disciplines from music, theatre, dance, visual arts, and the creative arts therapies. Why not sign Billy up for

the "Comic Book Creation" class? There he can create a comic about how his broken ankle actually gives him super-human soccer skills, and he becomes the best player since David Beckham.

The arts are not always on everyone's radar as an activity for themselves or their loved ones, but they should be. The arts provide immeasurable benefits. Participation in music programming has been proven to raise IQs and test scores. Involvement in theatre and dance programs afford the same camaraderie and team spirit as sports do. Visual arts help us express those feelings we keep hidden because we don't know how to let them out.

Perhaps you have tried participating in arts programming, and found it wasn't for you. You can still support the arts by purchasing tickets to the many theatrical and musical performances that The Fine Arts Association

has to offer throughout the year. By supporting these programs, you are supporting those who desperately need the opportunity to participate in the arts.

Yes, physical health is important, but mental health is just as crucial. We must have a commitment to well-balanced healthiness.

Explore the arts – they make a difference!



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How to Create Connections with Your Child's Teacher

(Family Features) A new school year can feel like uncharted territory for children, parents and teachers alike as they learn new things and meet unfamiliar faces. Building a relationship with your child's teacher can help create a positive school experience for everyone involved. Plus, teachers who connect with their classroom families help families feel seen, heard and represented in the classroom.

"When parents and teachers connect, they can create a stronger support system," said Tyreca Elliott from KinderCare's education team. "Bridging the gap between home and school gives children continuity, improves academic outcomes and nurtures children's social and emotional well-being. When families and teachers work together, children can succeed."

Building connections with teachers opens lines of communication between home and school, allowing families to learn about their child's day and helping teachers feel supported.

Consider these three tips from KinderCare teachers to help families create connections and build trust and collaboration with their child's teacher.

1. Be Intentional. Ruby Villarreal, a preschool teacher of nearly 30 years, suggests meeting with your child's teacher before the first day of school to introduce your child and your family. Share your child's previous school experience, likes and dislikes as well as any home issues that may impact your child's mood or behavior, such as a new sibling, recent move or divorce. Raise any concerns you may have - no matter how big or small. Your child is the teacher's priority too, and he or she might have some tips and tricks to help you help your child.

2. Communicate About Communications. Drop off and pick up times can sometimes be too busy for more than a "hi" or "bye." Ask your child's teacher how he or she likes to communicate, and share your preference, too. Let the teacher know if you would like a phone call during a lunch break for a quick update about your child or if you'd rather communicate via email or the school's app.

3. Make a Big Difference with Little Chats. During pick up or drop off, try to leave time for a brief conversation. This could be a quick chat about



something fun your child did over the weekend or why he or she might be having a tough day. It could also mean asking, "What can I ask my child about on the way home?" or finding out about activities you could do to help your child keep learning at home.

"Learning is a partnership between

families and school," said Quiana Smith, a 15-year prekindergarten teacher. "Your child will be excited about school and learning when he or she knows you're excited about it, too."

To learn more about how to create connections between home and school, visit kindercare.com.

Strategies that can improve reading comprehension

Strong reading comprehension skills are one of the foundations of a successful academic career. According to the Institute of Reading Development, students with strong reading comprehension skills get a big boost in all subjects, including math and science.

Though the benefits of reading comprehension are well documented, many students are struggling in this area of their academics. Officials with the National Center for Education Statistics note that, over the last decade, students have made no progress in reading performance. That likely comes as no surprise to seasoned educators, as data indicates students are reading less outside of school than they have in years past. Data from the National Assessment of Educational Progress indicates the percentage of public school students who said they read 30 minutes or more a day declined by 4 percent between 2017 and 2019, dipping below 50 percent overall in the latter year.

There's likely a multitude of reasons why students now read less than they used to. Parents concerned about their children's reading comprehension can try these strategies to bolster this highly valuable skill.

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alleviate injuries. It's not a good idea to wear a backpack hanging from only one shoulder. A backpack should be worn on both shoulders, and ideally with a lumbar strap. This will help to prevent muscular pains by providing well-rounded support.

A backpack with wide, padded straps

- **Let kids read what they like.** The tutoring professionals at Oxford Learning® report that 73 percent of students indicate they would read more if they found books they liked. Parents can address this issue by taking children to their local libraries and letting them choose which books to check out. The more practice kids get with reading, the more their comprehension skills develop.

- **Read aloud to children.** Various studies have found that reading aloud to children significantly benefits literacy development. One study from the National Association for the Education of Young Children found that listening to others read helps children develop key understanding and skills, including how stories are written. In addition, the Reading Rockets project, which aspires to bring reading research to life in the hopes of helping young children develop into strong, confident readers, notes that children can listen on a higher language level than they can read. That makes complex ideas more accessible.

- **Ask questions when reading to children.** When reading to children, parents can compound the benefits of this activity by asking youngsters questions about the book. Asking

can minimize pressure on the shoulders, back and collarbone. Backpacks made of lightweight material will not add much additional weight to what's being carried. Another tip is for children and adults to pack the heaviest item carried in the backpack closest to the center of the back to minimize strain.

Failure to follow guidelines may result in pain and injuries and have negative effects on balance, which may increase the risk of falls or other injuries.

Whenever possible, individuals may want to use trolley backpacks, which are on wheels. They can be dragged, alleviating the need to carry heavy loads.

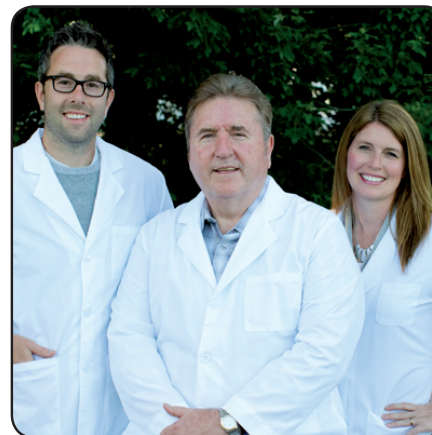


what, when, where, why, and how can encourage children to look for answers to these questions while they're being read to. As students advance and then read more on their own, parents can encourage them to ask these questions of themselves (if they're not already doing so on their own).

Asking and answering these questions is a great way to strengthen reading comprehension skills.

Strong reading comprehension skills can help students reach their academic potential. Parents can employ various strategies to help children bolster those skills.

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Monarch Mania All August Headlands Branch Visit the Headlands Branch or check out the library's Twitch stream – twitch.tv/mentorpubliclibrary – to learn about the lifecycle of the Monarch butterfly and see it in action. The library will have live caterpillars at various life stages to view until they emerge from their chrysalis and make their way to Mexico in the fall.

American Artist Appreciation Month
All August Lake Branch Explore a different art style each week during American Artist Appreciation Month. Learn more about these amazing artists through books, art and activities at the Lake Branch.

Finger Paint Fridays Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Headlands Branch Kids can explore their creativity with fingerpainting every Friday at the Headlands Branch. The library will provide paper, paint and aprons. This activity will largely be self-directed with limited assistance from staff. Registration is not required; but, space is limited, so children may need to wait their turns.

Celebrate Dolphins Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 4 p.m. James R. Garfield Room, Main Branch Kids entering first through fifth grade can learn amazing facts about dolphins and their behavior and create their own dolphin suncatcher. Registration required.

School Pencil Boxes Tuesday, Aug. 2, at 4 p.m. The HUB Kids entering kindergarten or first grade can make a personalized pencil case at The HUB. The library is hosting a similar program on Aug. 9 for children entering second, third or fourth grade. Registration required.

Bee Kind T-Shirt Wednesdays, Aug. 3 and 10, at 5 p.m. The HUB Kids (ages five to eight) can use The HUB's Cricut Maker and Heat Press to create a shirt that encourages everyone to Bee Kind. Registration is re-



quired. The library is hosting two sessions of this craft to make room for as many people as possible. Only register for one.

Yoga Kids Thursday, Aug. 4, at 1 p.m. Village Room, Main Branch Kids (ages three to six) along with their grownup are invited to stretch their minds and bodies during this special yoga story time. Yoga Instructor Darlene Kelbach will lead everyone through breathing and movement exercises, all put together with a story and music. Please bring a yoga mat or a towel for both child and adult. Registration is required.

End of Summer Reading Carnival Thursday, Aug. 4, at 6 p.m. Main Lawn, Main Branch Kids can enjoy carnival games and find out if they won one of the library's prizes for Summer Reading. There will also be a second-chance drawing for many other prizes. Must be present to win. No registration required to attend the carnival.

Cricut Basics Thursday, Aug. 4, at 6:30 p.m. Village Room, Main Branch Learn how to use a Cricut machine to make custom greeting cards and other creative crafts. Teens (and adults) will learn the basics of using a Cricut cutting machine and assemble their own unique greeting card. Registration required.

Bookend Painting Monday, Aug. 8, at 1 p.m. Main Lawn, Main Branch Kids can decorate a bookend or two for their shelves. The library will supply metal bookends and paint. Children can paint their favorite book characters, animals, or even their name. Dress for a mess! Registration required.

School Pencil Pouches Tuesday, Aug. 9, at 4 p.m. The HUB Kids entering second through fourth grade can make a personalized pencil pouch at The HUB. The library is hosting a similar program on Aug. 2 for children entering kindergarten or first grade. Registration required.

Jr. Pinterest Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 4 p.m. James R. Garfield Room, Main Branch Each month, kids in second through fifth grade can make a new craft creation inspired by Pinterest. Registration required.

End of the World Book Club Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 6:30 p.m. Headlands Branch The library has created a book club for teens that features the best in YA dystopias. Fans of the Hunger Games, Divergent and Maze Runner book series will love the End of the World Book Club. It's open to everyone in seventh through 12th grade. This month's book will be "Klara and the Sun" by Kazuo Ishiguro. Participants will also be encouraged to keep a writing journal or art journal to create a world of their own.

Magic for Muggles Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 6:30 p.m. Headlands Branch The library is transforming its Headlands Branch into Hogwarts this year! Each month, kids will enjoy a different class that covers an important magical topic. Registration required.

Mario Strikers Wednesday, Aug. 10, at 6:30 p.m. Lake Branch Teens (sixth through 12th grade) can test their gaming skills or find that extra player for their party at the library's new Video Game Club. This month, they'll play Mario Strikers. Registration required.

String Art for Kids Thursday, Aug. 11, at 11 a.m. Lake Branch Learn how to create a masterpiece of string art using cardboard, thumbtacks and string. The library will provide all the materials. For kids entering first through fifth grade. Adult supervision and registration required.

Daddy & Daughter Hair Factory Saturday, Aug. 13, at 11 a.m. Village Room, Main Branch Dads and caregivers can spend the day with their child and learn some easy hairstyles to create and recreate at home, just in time for the beginning of the school year. You'll also have a chance to

paint your kid's nails and have a yummy snack together. Don't miss this adorable bonding moment that your child will cherish forever. All supplies provided. For kids, ages three to 10. Registration required.

Headlands Jeopardy Saturday, Aug. 13, at noon Headlands Branch Kids can test their trivia know-how and learn something new with a fun afternoon of trivia challenges on the second Saturday of the month at MPL's Headlands Branch. Signup required to play.
ROBLOX Saturday Saturday, Aug. 13, at 2 p.m. Headlands Branch Join the library online or in-person for a different game from ROBLOX each month. Register to get in the game.

Calling All Kung Fu Fighters Wednesday, Aug. 17, at 2 p.m. Lake Branch Tiny tigers and karate kids (ages four to 12) can learn Tae Kwan Do moves – as well as self-respect, discipline, courtesy, respect and fitness – from Master Jason Gehring from Mentor ATA. Registration required.

Ice Cream Sundaes & Lawn Games for Teens Saturday, Aug. 20, at 2:30 p.m. Main Lawn, Main Branch Teens (entering seventh through 12th grade) can say goodbye to summer with ice-cream sundaes and lawn games at the library. Enjoy something sweet while playing lawn games like cornhole, giant Jenga and more. RSVP required.

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DIY Slime Join Miss Bryn and Miss Sarah to create your own personalized slime. We provide the ingredients; you create the slime! Grades 3-6. Ages 8-12. Thursday, August 4, 7-8 pm Willowick Public Library
Reach for Your Dreams This will be your school year! Celebrate going back to school with making a dream board of all your goals! Refreshments will be provided. Ages 10-14 yrs. Monday, August 8, 6:30-7:30 pm Willoughby Public Library
Adopt an Animal Learn about Adam the box turtle that lives at the Lake Me-

sparkers' facility. This is a family program for children and parents. The show will be hosted on the lawn of the old Citizens bank building, so bring your blanket or camp chairs! Tuesday, August 9, 6:30 pm Downtown Willoughby

Young and the Restless Join our popular music and movement class for toddlers with shakers, bubbles, the parachute and more! Sign up once for all 4 weeks. (Ages 2-4), Tuesdays, August 9, 16, 23, 30, 10 am Thursdays, August 11, 18, 25, September 1, 6:30 pm Willoughby Public Library

Family Outdoor Family Movie Nights In partnership with the City of Willoughby! Bring your blanket, lawn chairs and snacks and catch a free, family friendly outdoor movie beginning at 6pm on the grass in front of the old Citizen's Bank property. Reacquaint yourself with some movies before you see the sequel (or prequel)! Wednesday, August 10, Puss in Boots Downtown Willoughby-Old Citizens Bank

Back-to-School Button Bash for Teens Draw your own picture and/or write your own quote to make into a button! Not feeling creative? No worries-use some of our pre-made images to make your button. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18). Thursday, August 11, 7-8 pm Willowick Public Library

Willoughby Library at Last Stop Willoughby Join us in the Kid's Zone for crafts and activities! Stay for the parade! Satur-

day, August 13, 10 am-2 pm Downtown Willoughby

Music and Movement Join us for music, movement and an opportunity to socialize and play with toys provided by the library. Ages 2-5. Saturday, August 13, 10:30 am Willowick Public Library

Teen Gaming Club Make friends and play video games provided by the library, bring your trading card games to play against others or play a board game. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18). Saturday, August 13, 2-4 pm Willowick Public Library

Teen Basement Writers Write with us at our creative writing group. Bring your writing and ideas to share; all writing welcome. Positive feedback and fun environment provided. Grades 7-12 (Ages 13-18). Mondays, August 15 & 29, 7-8 pm Willowick Public Library

Surviving the Zombie Apocalypse 101 Amy Kapostasy of the Lake History Center will teach you how to preserve your food so you can survive all winter. Thursday, August 18, 7 pm Willowick Public Library

Sensory Messy Play Program encourages sensory messy play, all while having fun and not worrying about the clean-up after. Saturday, August 20, 10 am Willowick Public Library

Family Movie Night at the Hills Watch movies recently released on DVD up on the big screen. Doors open at 3:30 pm

with the movie starting at 4:00 pm

Wednesday, August 24, 3:30-6 pm Willoughby Hills Public Library

Teen Art Club Join other art-loving teens for Art Club where we will focus on a different artist or style each session. Grades 6-12 (Ages 11-18.) Thursday, August 25, 6:30-8:30 pm Eastlake Public Library

LEGO Club We provide the LEGOs, you provide the imagination. All ages. Saturday, August 27, 2 pm Willowick Public Library

Celebration of Grandparents Storytime Join us for a special time of stories, songs and crafts just for kids and their grandparents! Wednesday, September 7, 6:30 pm Willoughby Library

Homeschool Book Club: Funny Business Children 8-12 will read and discuss Funny Business edited by Jon Scieszka. The short stories in this book by some of today's most exciting authors will engage even the most reluctant readers. Tuesday, September 13, 1 pm Willoughby Hills Library

Sowing Stories Children aged 3-8 will enjoy a garden themed storytime and have the chance to plant their own herbs to take home! Supplies are limited. Saturday, September 17, 2 pm Willoughby Hills Library

Homeschool Trivia Children 7-12 will learn about various topics during a fun, no-pressure trivia game! Space is limited!

Tuesday, September 20, 1 pm Willoughby Hills Library

NEO Mad Science – Fire and Ice This spectacular show thrills audiences with impressive science experiments. The event includes foggy dry ice storms and demonstrates how giant beach balls can float in the air. Students are amazed by sizzling, shivering scissors and special bubbly showers! Wednesday, September 21, 6:30 pm Willowick Library

Homeschool Science Children ages 6-12 will enjoy learning about different kinds of science. Space is limited. Thursday September 22, 1:30 pm, 3 pm Willoughby Library

Lego Club We provide the LEGOs; you provide the imagination! All ages. Saturday September 24, 2 pm Willowick Library

Willowick Adaptive Story and Craft Children of all ages & abilities are welcomed to this interactive, inclusive storytime specifically designed to support varying developmental needs. While registration is recommended, drop-ins are always welcome! After the storytime, there will be crafts available to make. Programs run Sep 27-Nov 15. Tuesday's 6:30 pm Willowick Library

Visit the Willoughby-Eastlake Library for all your Back-to-School needs! Stop by one of our four convenient locations or access our services online at www.we247.org.



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