Back to school budget

Set a limit per child before the first store trip.

Year _____ Total limit $ _____ Tax-free weekend _____

	Child	Child	Child	Child	Total
Supplies	$	$	$	$	$
Backpack	$	$	$	$	$
Lunch box	$	$	$	$	$
Clothes	$	$	$	$	$
Shoes	$	$	$	$	$
Coat	$	$	$	$	$
Uniform	$	$	$	$	$
Haircut	$	$	$	$	$
Electronics	$	$	$	$	$
School fees	$	$	$	$	$
Sports	$	$	$	$	$
Classroom donations	$	$	$	$	$
Lunch money	$	$	$	$	$
Bus or gas	$	$	$	$	$
	$	$	$	$	$
	$	$	$	$	$
	$	$	$	$	$
Total	$	$	$	$	$

Reuse from last year

Ask for hand-me-downs

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School supply checklist

Check the house first. Tick what you already have.

Child _____ Grade _____ Limit $ _____

Supply	Need	Have	Store	Price	Got it
Pencils		☐		$	☐
Pens		☐		$	☐
Crayons		☐		$	☐
Colored pencils		☐		$	☐
Markers		☐		$	☐
Glue sticks		☐		$	☐
Scissors		☐		$	☐
Erasers		☐		$	☐
Ruler		☐		$	☐
Notebooks		☐		$	☐
Loose-leaf paper		☐		$	☐
Folders		☐		$	☐
Binder		☐		$	☐
Index cards		☐		$	☐
Highlighters		☐		$	☐
Calculator		☐		$	☐
Tissues		☐		$	☐
Headphones		☐		$	☐
		☐		$	☐
		☐		$	☐
		☐		$	☐
		☐		$	☐
		☐		$	☐
Total				$	

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Clothes inventory

One sheet per child. Buy only the gap.

Child _____ Size _____ Shoe size _____

Item	Have	Still fits	Need	Limit	Spent
Tops				$	$
Pants				$	$
Shorts				$	$
Skirts or dresses				$	$
Sweaters				$	$
Jacket				$	$
Winter coat				$	$
Underwear				$	$
Socks				$	$
Sneakers				$	$
Dress shoes				$	$
Gym clothes				$	$
Pajamas				$	$
Hat and gloves				$	$
				$	$
				$	$
				$	$
				$	$
				$	$
				$	$
Total				$	$

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School year costs

What comes after August.

School year _____

Month	Lunch	Trips	Activities	Photos and fairs	Gifts	Total
August	$	$	$	$	$	$
September	$	$	$	$	$	$
October	$	$	$	$	$	$
November	$	$	$	$	$	$
December	$	$	$	$	$	$
January	$	$	$	$	$	$
February	$	$	$	$	$	$
March	$	$	$	$	$	$
April	$	$	$	$	$	$
May	$	$	$	$	$	$
June	$	$	$	$	$	$
Year	$	$	$	$	$	$

Important dates

Fees that surprised me

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