

# 9 MUST READ BACK TO SCHOOL TIPS FOR A BUSY FAMILY

The [First Day of School](#) is just around the corner are you ready? Here are 9 must read back to school tips for your busy family. The first week of school will be a breeze with these helpful ideas for organizing your *family for back to school*.



It's hard to believe that the summer is almost over and it's time to start getting our kids ready for school. We've been busy cherishing our [summer memories](#) but reality hit me as I walked through the Back to School Section at Target that school is starting very soon.

Are you ready? What grade will your child be starting?

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After spending 10 years in a classroom and 25 as a mom here are a few tips that will get your school year off on the right foot.

## 1. Make the First Day of School Part of Your Discussion

Start talking about school a few weeks before the first day of school. New teacher, new classmates, new schedules can create some anxieties with kids. The more you make it part of your conversations they will begin to feel comfortable with changes. Print out our [First Day of School Personalized Book](#).

## 2. Take a Look at Your School's Website for Teacher's Names

Before life gets hectic take a moment with your child to look at the school's website and see who their grade level teachers are. No matter which teacher they get it will be helpful for them to know the names of the other teachers in their grade level. Hopefully your [placement letter](#) you provided will help your child get in an ideal environment for their learning style.

## 3. Add the School Calendar to Your Calendar

Take time to look at the school's calendar and add to your personal calendar. As the year kicks off more events will be added but the basic framework has already been set with holidays and days off. Take a look at your PTA Calendar and see if they've already started planning school wide events too. Knowing what's coming can help exactly you feel less overwhelmed throughout the school year.

## 4. Go Back to School Supply Shopping Before School Starts

The aisles at the stores are packed full of [school supplies](#), take advantage now of your time and shop while they store isn't as busy. Most places have your child's school supply list publicly posted so you can get what your child will need. Don't forget to buy a few extras for homework time or a quick Winter restock in January.

## 5. Start Your School Routines About Two Weeks Before School Starts

Start working on your bedtime routine that supports your school hours a few weeks before the first day of school. I saw it year after year with my students, the 3rd day of school they would all crash and be exhausted the first week of school. The rush of the first day of school was gone and waking up early for school caught up with them.

Start waking up at the time you'll need for school to give your body time to get adjusted to the new routine of school. Start going to bed earlier too to help make this transition further. Here are a few more [morning routine tips](#).

## 6. Set Out Your Back to School Clothes for the Week

Avoid missing socks and mismatched clothes each morning by setting out your clothes on the weekend with your child. It helps them to understand what matches and gets them organized for their week. Morning will run so much smoother when you already know what you're wearing. [Here's our system for storing clothes.](#)

## 7. Set Up a Station for School Lunches

Get your child involved in making their school lunch each night. Packing a lunch each day can be so much easier if you find ways to get your child part of the process. Set up stations for them to choose from [like this.](#) You can also peek at your school's lunch options for hot lunch, your child will discover a few meals that they like at school.

Check out our [Lunch Box Ideas for Back to School](#)

## 8. Set Up a Homework ZONE

Create a spot for success this school year by setting up a homework zone where you child can do their homework each day. A [personalized bulletin board](#) can be a fun way to get your child excited for back to school. Have a spot where you keep pencils, crayons, scissors, glue stick, ruler, paper. Consistency will help with homework success this school year.

## 9. Use a Little First Day of School Magic Dust

Here's a sweet [first day of school poem](#) that your child will on their night before school starts. [You can print it here.](#)

It's time for Back to School Shopping! Are you ready? This Target Gift card Giveaway will help you get prepare for the first day of school with all the items you'll need and more!



## BACK TO SCHOOL RESOURCES FOR BUSY FAMILIES

- [Magic Dust for the First Day of School](#)
- [Back to School Printable for Kids](#)
- [Back to School Shopping Tips](#)
- [Top Ten Back to School Tips for Home and School](#)
- [Back to School Photo Prop Ideas](#)
- [Back to School Reading Interview Printable](#)
- [Back to School Activities and Resources for Parents](#)
- [Back to School Quote and Magnet Idea](#)
- [Give a Teacher Supply Box](#)
- [Back to School Lunch Organization](#)
- [Tips for Making Friends at School](#)
- [ABC's of Open House for Parents](#)

- [100+ Lunch Box Ideas for Back to School](#)
- [Teaching Kids How to Make Friends](#)
- [Sending a Smart Kid to Kindergarten](#)
- [Does Your Child's Kindergarten List Compare?](#)
- [Preparing for School Brings Emotions for Both Parents and Children](#)