



Important Dates in August

- 1st—Rent Due
- 5th—Late Rent
- 7th Board Meeting Noon
- 9th —Spray day
- 19th— First day of School

Inspection Finding:

We need your help please make sure you have lightbulbs in every socket.

If you have a loose toilet seat please tighten the seat.

If you have any broken switches or plates let the office know.

If you have anything wrong with your unit please report it to the office.

Tips on Getting Ready for Back to School

1. Ease back into the school schedule.

During the last two weeks of summer begin introducing a school year bedtime and begin waking up as if school was in session.

2. Gather Records.

Call and see what records the school will need and then gather the necessary papers. This will make registration day go much smoother.

3. Figure out the schedule.

Know when important dates are. Also check

the bus schedule and pick-up/drop-off procedure and plan accordingly.

4. Make a practice run.

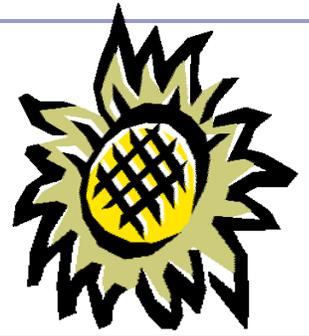
You don't want to be late on the first day. If your child walks make sure they know the way. If you are taking them make sure you account for morning traffic.

Source Cynthia Ewer
organizedhome.com



Tax Free Weekend August 2-4

The state of Oklahoma is offering one tax free weekend event during 2019. It applies to clothing and shoes individually priced under \$100 and is intended to coincide with back-to-school shopping, when many parents stock up on kids' clothing and footwear. Many stores offer coupons that weekend as well.



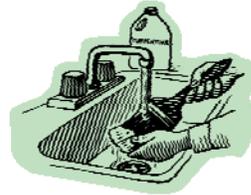
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Many companies and organizations offer back to school promotions providing things such as free back to school hair cuts or school supplies.



Cleaning Tips: Keep your home free of roaches and other pests.

- **Store food in sealed containers**—Refrigerate leftovers after eating
- **Clean Surfaces**—wipe crumbs and other traces of food from: counters, tables, stovetops, and floors. Clean up spills right away!
- **Take out trash**—Replace trash bags as soon as they are full.
- **Wash dishes soon after eating**—Use detergent and hot water
- **Do laundry often**—Try to wash clothing, sheets, and towels once a week.



REMINDER

Please do not litter on property grounds. Together we can keep our properties looking great. Thanks for your cooperation



Attention

You are responsible for your guests and their actions. Please do not jeopardize your housing by allowing people who are not responsible in your house.

Source: Channing Bete Company: A Clean Home Is A Healthy Home.

Start Saving for Christmas Now

Make a budget for all holidays and special occasions: Review what you spent for the holidays last year. If you didn't have a budget, make one now for Christmas and special occasions for the rest of the year. Look at each month and figure out the birthdays or holidays that you need to buy gifts for.



Make your list now: The more specific your budgeting goals are, the easier it will be to reach them. Write down who you need to get gifts for and think about what you're going to give them. For instance, if you know you want to buy someone a big ticket item such as a tablet, see if it falls within your budget. If you can afford it, keep your eye out for sales on tablets or other items on your list; you don't always have to wait until Black Friday for a sale. Cyber Monday is a good sale for electronics. If there is no way you're close to affording it, think of something else to give, or see below tip:

Collaborate with friends and family: Agree on how much to spend this year so no one feels bad about over or under spending. Every year my family and relatives agree on a limit to spend and also make a wish list with items that fall under this limit.

Make Homemade gifts: Homemade gifts are great because they are unique and personal. Think of things you can make such as a sweater or artwork. But also make sure you start early and that you can complete your gifts on time. Other examples are home baked goods. An example of this is making biscotti and put them in clear mason jars with lovely handmade fabric sashes and a bow for a beautiful, personal and very inexpensive gift. You can also do DIY projects if you know someone needs help renovating a room or upholstering some furniture.

Buy in bulk: Buying in bulk is cheaper but doesn't mean they're unpopular. I once bought purse hooks in bulk online for all the women in my extended family and they all loved it. Lotions are always useful in the winter and there are always good deals on them such as 10 for \$10. Also look into tickets to attractions like a zoo, aquarium, amusement park, or concerts for group deals.

Give the gift of time: Maybe you're a busy parent who misses out on all your kid's baseball games or maybe you only get to see your nieces and nephews once a year. Whatever the case may be, your time will mean a lot to kids.

"Taking your nephew to a minor league hockey game or having a sleepover with your niece will be remembered long after they stop playing with the toy you could have bought."

Ideas courtesy of Hannah Kim

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where there is no noise, trouble
or hard work. it means to be in
the midst of those things and still
be calm in your heart.

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