

# Chores for Kids by age\*

In our home we allow the kids to learn by doing so including them in our daily tasks around the house is a simple way to empower them with responsibility and accomplishment!

## Toddler (2-3)

- Assist with moving clothes from washer to the dryer
- Clean up toys
- Assist in unloading small items from dishwasher
- Put dirty clothes in hamper
- Swiffer floors
- Dust non-breakable items
- Tidy bedroom

## Preschooler (4-5)

- All previous chores
- Set table
- Clear table and load dishwasher
- Wash dishes with assistance
- Water plants
- Take out recycling
- Take garbage can to the curb (helps if it is on wheels)
- Clean windows/mirrors
- Feed/water pets
- Wipe counters/tables
- Vacuum simple surfaces
- Take hamper to laundry room
- Put soap in washing machine
- Match socks and fold simple items
- Put clothes away

## Kindergarten to 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade (6-8)

- All previous chores
- Vacuum
- Take garbage out
- Clean basics in bathroom with assistance
- Do their own laundry
- Gather the mail
- Meal preparation including planning, food prep, and basic kitchen clean up
- Garden tending (picking weeds, raking, watering)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade (9-11)

- All previous chores
- Full prepare simple meals
- Mop floors
- Sibling minding (for short periods of time)
- Clean basics in bathroom solo

## 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (12-14)

- All previous chores
- Teach younger siblings their chores
- Yard work (lawn mowing, raking, watering, weeding)
- Make full meals including meal plan, grocery list, and cooking
- Clean fridge/freezer
- Cleaning the tub/shower

\*every child matures at their own rate so take that into consideration when assigning chores!