

Pointers For Parents

Shopping That Makes The Grade

(NAPSA)—Buying fun and functional clothes for back to school can be as simple as A-B-C. That is if the A is for Add Layers, B for Buy Online and C for Color Coordinate. Here's how it works:

1. Add layers: Buy clothes you can layer for versatility. A short-sleeve T-shirt can be layered over a solid long-sleeve tee and skirts can be worn over leggings. Add leg warmers for a fun, functional cold-weather outfit.



When planning your child's back-to-school wardrobe, mix, match and layer for versatility and fun.

2. Buy online: Shopping online saves the hassle of visiting stores and making kids try things on in dressing rooms. Be sure to shop with a company that makes returns and exchanges easy.

3. Color coordinate: Buy clothes with similar color themes that can be mixed and matched to create several outfits. For example, Tea Collection's attractive color-themed sets are a great deal—buy five pieces, get six complete outfits. Tea Collection is a globally inspired children's clothing company. Each season, the designers draw inspiration from a different destination. This year's look is influenced by modern Mexico. For more information, visit www.teacollection.com or call (866) 374-8747.