

Three Tips for Moving With Kids the Fuss-Free Way

When you move to your new house, will you have children in tow? That can be stressful, to say the least.

At Chase Moving and Storage, we've witnessed our fair share of meltdowns and tears in the decades we've been in business. It's all part of the process when moving a family. Emotions run high.

However, we've uncovered a few tried-and-true ways to make moving with kids a little less agonizing. Here are our recommendations.

1. Mentally Prepare Them in Advance

If your kids are young, it'll be easier to get them excited about a new home, a new bedroom, and a new school. They aren't as emotionally attached to their friendships and will be more eager to start fresh.

For adolescents and teens, however, the emotions will be more challenging to navigate. The best you can do is give them plenty of warning and make them feel involved in the process. Let them give their input during the house hunt so they feel like they have some control.

In addition, use this extra time to make a plan together for how they will keep their current friendships alive despite the distance.

Doing all of this early will ultimately make moving day less traumatic for your kids.

2. Arrange Childcare for Little Ones on Moving Day

Young kids don't need to be present for the move. In fact, their presence may become more of a burden as you have to keep them occupied and safely away from heavy objects.

That's why we recommend making arrangements for childcare on the day of the move. Whether it's a local daycare, your favorite sitter, or a family member, having someone else take care of your small kids will make the whole move go much more smoothly.

3. Make Moving Day as Comfortable as Possible

Is a long, family road trip in your moving plans? It might be worth shipping your car and renting a more spacious van or SUV so your kids can stretch out and snooze.

Also, don't forget to pack plenty of snacks, games, and other activities to keep your kids occupied while they're awake. You'll be burnt-out from the stress of moving and will appreciate as much quiet as you can get.

For more advice on all things related to moving, don't hesitate to call Chase Moving and Storage!