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Teach Children Entrepreneurship Go Beyond the Lemonade Stand

Take time to help kids get creative and find an idea they feel really passionate about.

How many kids are passionate about lemonade?!? If kids build their first business around something they're truly interested in, they're more likely to stick with it, learn from it, and be successful at it. Think about helping them run a movie theater in your backyard, a talent show of neighborhood kids (selling tickets and snacks), or a technical support service to all the "old fogies" in their world. Have them do a garage sale to sell their own toys and keep the money they make. Let them: price, sell, setup, and cashier their items.



Teach your kids to be independent! Let them make as many of their own decisions as possible. Encourage them to do their own fact gathering, referencing multiple sources, when making important decisions. Applaud their efforts to take well thought out risk and if things don't work as expected, help them learn from the experience.

The secret to life is to have fun! Find something the child is good at and help them get better than everyone else at it and help that child succeed! Feeling good is key. Helping others is always one way to feel great, so if the child does not know where to start, start there! It's important to make money but feeling good is also important.

The Nebraska Statewide Arboretum has helped over 200 schools use their landscapes as an outdoor classroom. Their web site, <http://schoolgardens.unl.edu>, offers teachers, school administrators and parents, create, design, maintain and utilize an outdoor space for educational purposes.

For more information on Youth Gardening Grants & Education visit <http://byf.unl.edu/youth>.

