

# Brilliant Budget

## Summer Family Budgeting Checklist

### Set Your Seasonal Budget

- ☐ Review last summer's expenses
- ☐ Allocate monthly caps for June, July, August
- ☐ Set aside an emergency cushion (10-15%)

### Map Out Major Costs

- ☐ Vacations/travel: flights, hotels, food, tickets
- ☐ Camps and childcare: registration, gear, transportation
- ☐ Utilities: adjust for seasonal energy usage
- ☐ Home projects or maintenance (deck repairs, landscaping)

### Plan Weekly Fun on a Budget

- ☐ Free local events (concerts, movies in the park)
- ☐ DIY water fun (sprinklers, kiddie pools)
- ☐ Use museum/library passes
- ☐ Host potlucks instead of restaurant meetups

### Adjust for Income Changes

- ☐ Account for reduced hours or time off
- ☐ Factor in side hustles or seasonal gigs

### Prep for Back-to-School Early

- ☐ Start scouting deals on supplies
- ☐ Budget for clothing/uniforms gradually