

ChoreChart

Family User Guide

choretrack.netlify.app

■ ■ Welcome to ChoreChart!

ChoreChart is a free family web app that makes chore management fun, fair, and educational. Whether you want to reward your kids with real money, use a virtual credit system, or simply keep track of who does what around the house — ChoreChart has you covered.

■ No app to download! ChoreChart runs right in your web browser on any device. Visit choretrack.netlify.app to get started.

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01 Getting Started

Creating Your Family Account

Setting up ChoreChart takes just a few minutes. One parent creates the family account, then invites everyone else to join. Here's how:

1**Create the family account**

Visit choretrack.netlify.app and click 'Create family account.' Enter your name, your family name (e.g. The Johnson Family), your email, and a password.

2**You're the first parent**

The parent who registers first is the account admin. You can add a second parent later from the Family tab.

3**Add your children**

Go to the Family tab and click 'Add a family member.' Enter each child's name, choose their role (Child), and indicate whether they have their own device.

4**Kids with a device**

Enter their email and a temporary password. They visit choretrack.netlify.app, click 'Join your family,' and set their own permanent password.

5**Kids without a device**

No login needed! A parent marks and verifies their chores directly from the Verify tab using the 'Mark & Verify' button.

■ Each family's data is completely private and separate from other families using ChoreChart. Your kids' information is only visible to your family.

02 For Parents

Your Parent Dashboard

As a parent, you have five tabs in ChoreChart. Here's what each one does:



Library

Your chore management hub. Add, edit, or remove chores. Filter by Daily, Weekly, or Monthly. Every chore shows who it's assigned to, its schedule, and its dollar value.



Calendar

See a visual overview of chores across Daily, Weekly, and Monthly views. Pick any child to see their schedule. A stats strip shows Assigned, Verified, and Remaining counts.



Verify

Review chores that kids have marked as done and approve or reject them. You can also go back to any past date to mark chores complete that were missed. For kids without a device, use 'Mark & Verify' to do it all in one tap.



Accounts

See each child's chore credit balance and cash balance separately. Add funds directly (bonus credit, birthday cash), record spending, and view the full transaction history.



Family

Add or edit family members. Update names, email addresses, and device settings anytime. No need to delete and recreate — just click the Edit button next to any member.



Managing Chores

ChoreChart supports three chore frequencies, each with smart scheduling options:

Frequency	Schedule options	Example
■ ■ Daily	Start date + optional end date	Make your bed — starts Monday
■ Weekly	Pick specific days of the week	Take out trash — every Tuesday & Friday
■ ■ Monthly	Pick a day of the month (1st–31st)	Clean the garage — on the 1st

■ Chores auto-appear on a child's list based on their schedule — no manual assigning needed each day! Set it once and ChoreChart handles the rest.

03 For Kids

The Kids' Experience

ChoreChart is designed to be colourful, easy to use, and motivating for children. Here's what kids see when they log in:



Personal welcome screen

Each child sees their own colourful header with their name, how many chores they've completed today, and their current chore credit and cash balances at a glance.



Daily view

A clear list of today's chores with a circle button to tap when done. Completed chores show a strikethrough and a 'Waiting for parent' message.



Weekly view

A 7-column grid showing the whole week. Kids can see what's coming up and plan ahead. Past and future chores show a lock icon — only today's chores can be marked done.



Monthly view

A full calendar showing the whole month with colour-coded chore dots. Great for kids who like to see the big picture.



My Account

A personal ledger showing chore credit earned, cash on hand, and a full history of every transaction — chores verified, money spent, and gifts received.

■ Kids can only mark TODAY's chores as done — they can't mark past or future chores complete. This keeps things honest and teaches daily responsibility.

04 Chores & Scheduling

The Chore Workflow

Understanding how chores move from creation to credit helps the whole family use ChoreChart smoothly. Here's the full lifecycle:

1**Parent creates a chore in the Library tab**

Add a name, dollar value (or \$0 for non-monetised chores), frequency, schedule, notes, and assign it to one or more children.

2**Chore appears automatically on the child's list**

Based on the schedule, the chore shows up on the right day without any manual work from parents.

3**Child marks the chore as done**

The child taps the circle button next to the chore. It changes to 'Waiting for parent to verify.'

4**Parent verifies the chore**

On the Verify tab, the parent reviews completed chores and taps 'Verify.' For kids without a device, the parent uses 'Mark & Verify' to do both steps at once.

5**Credit is added to the child's account**

Once verified, the chore's dollar value is instantly added to the child's chore credit balance. The child can see the update right away on their My Account tab.

Alternating Chores Between Kids

If two kids alternate a chore (e.g. one washes dishes Monday/Wednesday/Friday and the other Tuesday/Thursday), create two separate chores with the same name but different day assignments and assigned children. ChoreChart will handle the scheduling automatically.

Editing & Removing Chores

Made an entry error? No need to delete and start over. In the Library tab, click the Edit button on any chore to update the name, value, schedule, notes, or assigned children. Changes take effect immediately. Removing a chore stops it from appearing on future days but does not affect previously verified chores or earned credit.

05 Money & Accounts

The Two-Balance System

Every child has two separate balances in ChoreChart. This mirrors how money actually works in the real world — earned income and gifted money are tracked separately.

■ Chore Credit	■ Cash on Hand
• Earned by completing verified chores	• Added manually by a parent (gifts, allowance)
• Grows automatically as chores are approved	• Birthday money, holiday gifts, etc.
• Shown in green throughout the app	• Shown in blue throughout the app
• Spent when a parent records a purchase	• Tracked separately from chore earnings
• Great for teaching earned income	• Helps kids manage gifted money responsibly

Recording Transactions

The Accounts tab gives parents four quick-action buttons to manage a child's money:



Add chore credit — for bonuses, rewards, or manual credits

Use this when you want to give a child extra credit without a chore being completed. Great for good behaviour rewards, special tasks, or catching up on missed entries.



Add cash — for gifts, allowances, or cash received

Records money a child has received in cash. Birthday gifts, holiday money, or a weekly allowance can all be logged here.



Spend chore credit — when a child uses their earned credit

When a child wants to 'spend' their earned credit, the parent enters the amount and a description (e.g. 'Toy store — \$12.99'). The child can see what they spent it on.



Spend cash — when a child spends their physical cash

Tracks cash spending so the child's cash balance stays accurate. A complete record helps kids understand where their money goes.

■ Kids cannot spend their own credit in the app — all spending is entered by a parent. This means every purchase is a conversation, which is a great opportunity to talk about needs vs wants and smart spending.

06 Teaching Kids About Money

More Than Just Chores

ChoreChart is designed to do more than keep the house tidy. It's a practical tool for teaching children about earning, saving, and spending — lessons that will serve them for life. Here are some ideas for making the most of it:

For Younger Children (Ages 5–8)



Start with simple, visual chores

Make the bed, put toys away, feed the pet. Simple tasks with small values (\$0.25–\$0.50) help young children connect effort with reward without overwhelming them.



Use non-monetised chores too

Not every chore needs a dollar value. Setting a chore to \$0.00 lets you track responsibilities without always tying them to money — great for basic household duties.



Review the account together

Sit with your child and look at their My Account tab together. Seeing the numbers grow is exciting and motivating for young kids.

For Older Children (Ages 9–13)



Introduce saving goals

Encourage your child to save their chore credit toward something they really want. Help them calculate how many chores it will take. This teaches delayed gratification and goal-setting.



Discuss needs vs wants

Use the spending history as a conversation starter. Did they spend wisely? What would they do differently? Real examples from their own account make the lesson stick much better than hypothetical ones.

Show them the weekly view

Older kids appreciate the weekly and monthly calendar views. Encourage them to plan their week and take ownership of their schedule.

For Teenagers (Ages 14+)

Tie it to real-world concepts

Explain that chore credit works like a paycheck — money is earned by completing work, verified by a 'manager' (parent), and deposited into their 'account.' This mirrors how employment works in the real world.

Introduce credit vs cash thinking

ChoreChart separates earned credit from gifted cash — just like how adults manage earned income separately from money received as gifts. Use this to discuss budgeting and financial responsibility.

Give them more complex chores

Teenagers can take on higher-value chores like lawn care, car washing, or cooking dinner. Higher stakes make the reward more meaningful and the lesson more impactful.

07 Tips, Tricks & FAQ

Q: Can I use ChoreChart without assigning dollar values?

A: Absolutely! Set any chore's value to \$0.00 and it will still appear on your child's list and go through the verification process — you just won't see any credit added. This is perfect for families who want organisation without monetisation.

Q: What if my child doesn't have their own device?

A: No problem. When adding the child in the Family tab, uncheck 'This child has their own device.' The child won't need a login — a parent simply uses the 'Mark & Verify' button on the Verify tab to complete and approve their chores on their behalf.

Q: Can two parents both use ChoreChart?

A: Yes! Add a second parent in the Family tab. Both parents can log in with their own accounts and have full access to all parent features — adding chores, verifying, managing accounts, and updating the family roster.

Q: What if I made a mistake on a chore?

A: Go to the Library tab and click the Edit button on any chore. You can update the name, value, schedule, notes, and who it's assigned to. Changes take effect immediately.

Q: Can I see what my child spent their money on?

A: Yes. The Accounts tab shows a full transaction history for each child including every chore verified, every dollar added, and every purchase recorded — with the date and a description for each entry.

Q: What if a child forgets to mark a chore done?

A: Parents can go back to any past date on the Verify tab using the date picker and use 'Mark & Verify' to credit the chore retroactively. No completed work goes unrecognised!

Q: Is ChoreChart free?

A: Yes — ChoreChart is completely free for all families. There are no subscriptions, no ads, and no premium tiers. Just visit choretrack.netlify.app and get started.

Ready to get started?

Visit choretrack.netlify.app on any device — no download required. Create your family account in under 2 minutes!