

# Ease Nanny, Family Through Holidays With Simple Tips

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The holidays are a busy time—endless parties, events and family functions. But it also means appreciating those around you for all they do and who they are. Your nanny is no exception. Katie Vaughan, founder and owner of Los Angeles' premier nanny placement service Westside Nannies, offers tips to get your family and nanny through the holiday season seamlessly.

- **Discuss holiday plans in advance**

Schedule a time with your nanny to sit down and discuss holiday arrangements, travel schedules, time off and any overtime that may be necessary during the upcoming weeks.

- **Give ample notice of holiday travel**

The holiday season is prime travel time. If you need your nanny to accompany your family on the holiday vacation or would prefer to give him/her time off over the holidays, make sure you give plenty of notice. "This will allow your nanny to have adequate time to prepare and will enable her to

schedule their own holiday gatherings and events accordingly," said Vaughan.

- **Be sensitive to your nanny's needs**

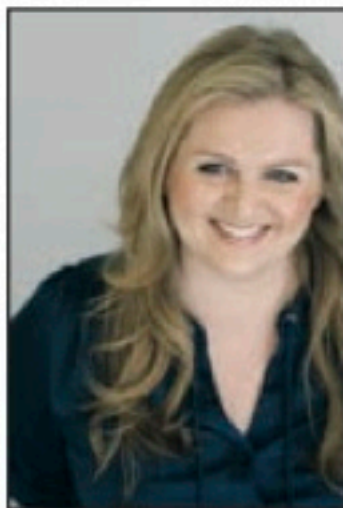
"The holidays are an important and sentimental time for everyone," said Vaughan. "Families should be sensitive to the nanny's needs during this special season." Make sure your nanny has enough time away to spend with their own loved ones.

- **Respect cultural or religious holiday practices**

It's easy to overlook other's traditions when facing so many of your own this time of year. Be aware and respectful of your nanny's traditions, religious beliefs and cultural happenings.

Beverly Hills-based Westside Nannies finds, places and researches nannies for placement in private homes. All nannies providing childcare are required to have college degrees and are thoroughly vetted with background checks.

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