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TODAY'S SAVVY TODDLERS CAN MIX AND BAKE LIKE MARTHA OR WOLFGANG; IF THEY CAN ONLY REACH THE KITCHEN COUNTER!

Young Chefs Get A Boost With The Learning Tower

Shreveport, LA – Today's sophisticated preschoolers love to emulate their parents, especially in the kitchen, where delicious smells and colorful foods become a classroom of life lessons. The trouble is, when you only stand 3 feet tall it's tough to be an active participant at the kitchen counter. Lucky for mini-Martha Stewarts or Wolfgang Pucks, there's The Learning Tower by Little Partners, an award-winning juvenile furniture maker.

Website Babyproofingplus.com recommends The Learning Tower because "standing at your level at the kitchen counter -- rather than waist-high -- your child makes the leap from curious observer to eager participant. Simple tasks like spreading peanut butter, pouring juice, wiping countertops, and washing dishes reward with a sense of accomplishment and feed that growing need for independence."

Adds Website Totsafe.com, "children love to help adults cook! Help make kitchen time safe with The Learning Tower step stool from Little Partners, Inc. This beautifully crafted, natural wood step stool has a stable base that won't tip over when your little one climbs in or stands on the step stool. Four sturdy side supports help prevent falls. The adjustable height platform adjusts easily to suit any child's height or activity. Recommended for children ages 18 months-6 years and tested to hold up to 500 pounds and can accommodate 2 children at one time!"

Winner of Dr. Toy's Best 10 Active Toys, The Learning Tower can also be used as a desk, a fort, or a puppet theater and complements any home decor. Its stable, no-tip design wipes clean easily and fits flush against average countertops. Suggested retail price is \$169.95.



In addition to its primary purpose as a step-up, The Learning Tower can easily be converted into a magically fun playhouse with The Playhouse Kit. This adorable

accessory set includes an easily-attachable roof, red curtains, and four theme signs to create a puppet theatre, doll house, drive-thru, and lemonade stand. From helping in the kitchen to putting on a show, children's imaginations are sparked with The Learning Tower and The Playhouse Kit. The Learning Tower Playhouse Kit has a suggested retail of \$32.95. Combination sets are available for a suggested retail price of \$189.95.

A generation ago girls baked a cake in an Easy Bake oven and boys made a mud pie. Today retailers such as Williams-Sonoma showcase children's kitchen products that are junior-sized and irresistible to parents and grandparents. Now cooking with your kids is not only a great way to spend quality time, it facilitates teaching skills that your children will need later in life. With The Learning Tower, toddlers get a step-up in the world of culinary delights.

For more information about Little Partners visit their website at www.littlepartners.com.

About Little Partners

Little Partners, Inc. is a company dedicated to the nurture of the child. Their mission is to affirm the child's positive self image through strengthening the essential partnership between the child and the adult. Through the manufacture and distribution of specially designed juvenile products, Little Partners, Inc. strives to help parents and caregivers prepare an environment which nurtures the young child, allowing him/her to unfold to his/her utmost potential.

Carol Gamble is president and chief executive officer of Little Partners, Inc. She is a resident of Shreveport and a native of Louisiana. She developed this product in response to her own daughter's need for a safe, stable stepstool to help Mom in the kitchen and with other activities. Carol has been trained as an Infant/Toddler Specialist by the Center for Montessori Teachers Education in New York.