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Clean Sweep

Alfonsi Venetis Oilcloth Mats and More



Parenting has taught you not to cry over spilled milk (or upside down oatmeal and spat-out Cheerios, for that matter).

Take messes in stride with easy-clean oilcloth products from local moms Kristen Alfonsi and Alisha Venetis of Alfonsi Venetis.

Splat Mats in reversible patterns (gingham, lace, polka dots) are ideal for picnics or putting under high chairs. Chalk Mats — backed with flexible chalkboard-like fabric — mark Junior's place at the table. Colorful art smocks, diaper bags, and purses are also available, starting at \$18 (with some profits to charity).

You'll find it hard to keep this lot secret. Feel free to spill the beans.

Available at *Twinkle Twinkle Little One*, 3224 North Damen Avenue, between West Belmont Avenue and West Melrose Street (773-472-3000 or twinkletwinklelittleone.com); online at alfonsivenetis.com