



Once upon a time there was a beautiful little princess named Sydney... Ok, well maybe she wasn't EXACTLY a princess, but she sure wished she was! And since she was turning 3, I decided to give her that wish for her birthday- to transform Sydney and her friends into little princesses for the day and throw her a "Pretty Princess" themed birthday party. Turns out there is definitely no shortage of princess-y items available to go with the theme!

I scheduled the party for around noon so the girls could have lunch before their princess transformations began. The table-scape was decked out with boas and rings and light up tiaras (all very affordable from The Dollar Store and eBay) for the girls to play with while we were dishing up their heart and star sandwiches, strawberry applesauce, fruit wands, chocolate dipped-sugar heart sprinkled pretzels, & pink sugar coated cupcakes.



Maybe not the healthiest of lunches, but it was a party after all!

I went ahead and put little princess nameplates at each setting so the girls wouldn't fight over which color boa or tiara they got, and surprisingly, no one did! I even broke out my good champagne flutes for the girls to have sparkling cider. I always do this for special occasions. I want my kids to learn how to take care of nice things at an early age. I've been doing this for a while (birthdays, Thanksgiving dinner, Christmas), and the kids have never broken any of my glasses. Wish I could say the same for my adult friends!



Our craft was a fairy princess wand. I made felt stars, spray painted the dowels pink, and cut LOTS of ribbon for the girls to choose from, so all the little princesses would have to do is hot glue them together (with adult supervision, of course). I also set out little princess themed puffy stickers if the girls wanted to decorate their wands with them. Easy as pie, and the girls loved this craft. I also had a princess tattoo station available for those waiting on their turn for the hot glue gun.





But the super fun part was having my friend, Michele Bomar, do the make up for the girls. She even wore fairy wings for me, which the girls loved! We played a game of “pin the tiara on the palace” (cheap paper dollar store game) , and whomever came closest to pinning their paper tiara to the castle got to have their make up done first and so on.





I had another friend doing their nails as well. The girls loved picking out their nail and eye shadow colors. I did invest in a “pretty princess mirror” so the girls could check themselves out after their princess transformations. The mirror says cute phrases like “That color looks perfect on you” and “You sparkle, little princess”.
Too cute!





I think some of the girls were amazed at their transformations!

Before opening the presents, I made sure to get a group picture of all the girls together to use as a thank you card. Now, I'm super blessed to have my talented sister as a photographer, so I have to give her credit for all these pictures. www.summersimpson.com So excited that she was available, since my picture-taking skills are very inadequate! And let's face it... It's kinda difficult to get this many little girls together and get a great picture. I love this one, though. I think it really captures the moment, and you can see how cute their princess wands turned out!

My sister Summer lives in Birmingham, AL so if you ever need a photographer near Birmingham, you should look her up! She does GREAT work!



And lastly, the goody bags. I think they turned pretty precious with lots of princess-y items. The little princess mugs were from Oriental Trading Company, and I highly recommend them. They've even held up nicely after quite a few trips through the dishwasher! Michaels had lots of affordable princess themed items to go in the goody bags as well.



Hope you've enjoyed reading about my little princess's party and that maybe this article will inspire you to dream up your own party plans for your little one!



Me & My Pretty Princess!