

## CANOPY BEDS



Rye Brook, NY

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When Lara Michelle began working with this young family, their vision was clear: They wanted “a super glamorous, modern, chic design with an all-white, silver, and light gray color scheme and lots of bling and shimmering finishes,” says Michelle. But, their directive presented some inspiring challenges. “I had to look for luxury fabrics that would be stain resistant and hold up to the rigors of a young family,” says Michelle. For families with young kids, she usually sticks with darker fabrics and rugs, so she had to ensure that the light-colored materials would hold up. Luckily, she says, “the high performance, indoor/outdoor fabrics that are available today really make it possible to use light colors and not worry they will be ruined in a few months.”

**Design Tip:** Michelle advises homeowners to bring in a professional to avoid making costly mistakes. “There’s a million things that can go wrong when renovating, building or redecorating a new home,” says Michelle. “If you don’t have someone with a great deal of experience, as well as talent, to guide you, things can go wrong very quickly, which costs money and time.”