

Packing List

- A laptop, if you have one to bring. There will be computers available for use here as well.
- Pens, pencils, notebooks.
- Required Books listed below (if applicable).
- Flashlight & extra batteries.
- Rain Gear & Layers (Temperatures can range from 50°-85° on some days with rain most afternoons).
- Shoes appropriate for hiking.
- Day pack or book bag for hiking and field trips.
- Water bottle.
- Bathing suit.
- Bug spray.
- Sun Screen.
- Laundry detergent.
- Masks for the entirety of session.
- Games, puzzles, books, etc. (There is no TV service at PARI).
- Linens (sheets, towels, washcloths, pillow & pillow case, blanket).
- Toiletries, a plastic tote is suggested for them as showers and bathrooms will be shared. Shower shoes or flip flops also recommended.
- If you bring extra snacks, they must be stored in a container with a sealable lid. (PARI does NOT provide the container with lid)

Considerations

- Most cell phones do not work at PARI due to remoteness and natural radio shielding (this is what makes it a great place for radio astronomy). Plan to use alternate services if you anticipate the need to make calls while here.
- Because some astronomy is done at night, be aware that there may be a few days when your sleep schedule is irregular.
- We have a gift shop, so come prepared to find some great souvenirs.

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Safety

Camper orientation and safety will be conducted on arrival day and will cover:

- Nurse Station
- ADA Compliance
- Site layout & regions
- Buildings and their purposes
- General Safety Rules
- Emergency Situations & Radio Codes
- Leaving the Site or Authorized Areas
- Water Policy
- Climbing Policy
- Instrument Safety
- Confined Spaces
- Trash & Obstructions
- Weather Hazards
- Emergency Phones
- Buddy System (covered more extensively in Campus Life)
- Possible special rules for field trips
- Wildlife including insects and harmful plants
- Typical daily schedule including key events like meal times, bed times, building opening times, etc. And, where to find this information posted.
- Other things that happen at PARI, other camps, visiting groups, research.
- Detail types of teams, campers will be divided into. Roommates, house teams, research teams, and how those will determine responsibilities.
- Room checks and accounting for damages. Room cleanliness.
- Access to the rooms of other campers or staff, and other lodging buildings.
- Access to laundry facilities (if any).
- Linens changing schedule (if applicable).
- Lodging area cleaning schedules and camper responsibilities.
- How meals will work.
- Camper meal cleanup responsibilities, teams, schedules.

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Shared Learning Environment

The PARI campus is used by many simultaneously. Whether by other people physically on site, those who use our instruments and data remotely, or those for whom we host equipment or provide services, the shared nature of our campus must be respected. Campers must always keep in mind that they share PARI with others and conduct themselves in a manner that shows respect for everyone else who uses the campus.

Field Trip and Excursions

When leaving the PARI campus must conduct themselves safely and with respect for the places visited. Special rules and expectations will be in place for both transportation and while at another location. Specific clothing, footwear, and identification like name tags or lanyards may be required. Additional staff may be brought in for these events and may provide additional supervision, guidance, or leadership, training, or support. Field trips and excursions may include things like:

- Swimming, tubing, visits to waterfalls, and other locations and activities where water plays a dominant role.
- Hikes, climbs, ropes courses, and other locations and activities conducted primarily outdoors.
- Cultural activities like music, movies, shows, museums, etc.
- Other camps or education facilities.
- Restaurants, ice cream shops, other food venues.
- Visitors centers, shops and stores, downtown areas.



Schedules

Camp schedules are intended to provide a general ideal of the schedule to be followed during the camp session. We aim to follow the plan for each day as closely as possible, but hold the experience, engagement, and inspiration of learners to a higher value than the clock.

- Activities may shift due to weather, guest speaker availability, or unique astronomical events.
- Times of day will remain flexible to accommodate extracurricular activities, guest speakers, and breaks.
- Times for meals and bed times, and campus life items will be added based on the needs of each session.
- Late night group optical telescope use may be added to the schedule based on sky quality.
- Times when groups are conducting observations with telescopes will be scheduled on a per group basis.

Technology

PARI provides access to a variety of technology to support the learning and experiences of campers and visitors. Policies and guidelines for the use of this technology may vary by camp and group but will be covered prior to their use. Topics will include:

- Personal technology use policies including phones, tablets, laptops, cameras, and any other electronic devices.
- PARI owned technology that is available and its proper use.
- PARI provided resources including wired internet access, WiFi, Nebula, and electronic access to instruments, data, and archives.
- Acts that could lead to temporary or permanent suspension of access.
- Respect of copyright and licenses, use agreements, and terms of service.
- Social media policies.
- File formats and software to be used in the case of items to be produced for use on PARI AV equipment, or for possible printing, or sharing to publications or conferences.

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