

Traveling Players

Let's get Packin'!

Laundry:

- Campers in the MYTHOLOGY ENSEMBLE will not do laundry
- All other campers will do Laundry every 10-12 days.
- Detergent can be purchased at the camp store (saves space!) If you want to bring your own, get either powdered or solid detergent (no liquid or pods with liquid)
- Never done your laundry before? You're about to learn!

Packing:

- Clothing should be packed in a [trunk or large tupperware](#), and linens can be packed in a duffle bag or large backpack (to be used for the occasional tent overnight). Trunks should be no more than 12 inches in height so that they can fit under bunks, which are just under 13" in clearance. A suitcase *might* be able to fit under there – **but please measure first!**
- SHAKESPEARE TROUPE will have a bit more space to store stuff, as will any campers staying for 6 weeks. (A bunk bed to yourself? Very possible...)

Permanently label each article of clothing, shoes, & personal items with the camper's name.

Clothing:

- Large laundry bag
- 12 reusable cloth masks. If using disposable masks, bring at least 10 more than the number of days you will be at camp.
- 12 pairs underwear
- 12 pairs of non-cotton socks (wool or synthetic will keep your feet happy) (Weak ankles? Make sure 10 pairs are for your hiking boots; otherwise 6 of them.)
- 5-6 sports bras
- 3 pair pants (recommend breathable, light weight, hardy, if bringing jeans, PLEASE bring a pair of hiking pants as well)
- 7-10 pair shorts (recommend breathable, lightweight, hardy, zip-offs are great! Athletic leggings make a good substitute)
- PJs to sleep in & go to brunch in
- 10-12 t-shirts/tank tops
- 3 long sleeve shirts
- RAIN COAT (not a poncho)
- 2 fleeces/sweatshirts/vest
- robe (for the bath house -- optional)
- 1-2 Swimsuits
- HIKING BOOTS ("high hikers," generally have 2 hooks above the laces, must cover ankles and keep them from rolling -- please go to a good outdoors store to get these fitted (REI is my favorite). If you have weak ankles, you will live in these, as it's too easy to roll an ankle and you really don't want to be on crutches.)
- sneakers or low hikers
- Water sandals (for showers, the quarry, and the pool deck, need good treading, NOT flip flops)
- hat (optional)
- bandana (optional)
- rain pants (optional)

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Clothing for special events

- OPTIONAL: Camp Prom Outfit (Thespian, Shakespeare & Commedia Ensembles, plus Troupe ONLY)
 - You will also be able to raid the costume shop for an outfit!
- OPTIONAL: 2 white t-shirts (one to tie dye & one to wear to color powder party -- white shows off the color best!)

Bedding

- sleeping bag with stuff sack (we will still do some traditional camping)
- sleeping pad
- 1-2 sets of twin sheets
- Pillow
- 1-2 pillowcases
- 1 bath towel
- 1 beach towel
- 1-2 washcloths/scrubbies
- Teddy Bear :-)

Toiletries

- Vitamins and Medicine – to be passed off during check-in -- enough for your whole stay -- still in their bottles with your name, dosage, etc – all in a Ziploc bag with your name sharpied on.
- toothbrush
- toothpaste
- dental floss
- shampoo/conditioner
- soap (make sure it **does not contain almond oil**, which is a popular ingredient but can be toxic to kids).
- face wash
- pads, tampons, etc
- nail clippers / file
- brush/comb
- other toiletries
- contact lens stuff plus small mirror
- Dopp kit, bag or bucket to bring toiletries to bathhouse
- Tick repellent. It's deer ticks that carry Lyme disease, and although only a small percentage of the ticks are infected, please take these simple steps to protect yourself.
- I recommend: [Sawyer Picaridin Insect Repellent](#) (the herbal equivalent of Deet, my new preference, pump spray, not aerosol).
- Some do best with Deet (effective but intense – please don't get aerosol).
- Suntan lotion

Tip from Jeanne!

To bee or not to bee! If you smell like a flower, the bees will try to pollinate you. Lavender, strawberries & cream, oatmeal & honey – all bad ideas! Bugs and bees will LOVE you! Go for unscented, powder fresh, etc.

Tip from Jeanne!

Pre-treat your summer wardrobe with [Sawyer's Permethrin](#) (spray, let dry, good for 6 weeks/washings). I treat boots and socks in addition to shorts, shirts, etc. I get 2 bottles each summer, then rarely need additional repellent. I prefer chemicals to go on my clothes, not my skin.

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Show Essentials – All students must have all of the following

- Journal for rehearsal
- Pencils
- Black dress shoes, flats, or character shoes (bring if you own, don't purchase)
 - If character shoes have a heel, it should not exceed 2.5"
- 1-2 white or actor's skin-toned tank tops to be worn under their costume
- 1 pair black or actor's skin-toned spandex shorts to be worn under their costume (optional)
- Lipstick (2-3 shades darker than your natural lips)
- Black or brown eyeliner (liquid or pencil is fine)
- Mascara (optional)
- Other personal makeup (optional – you may have only 5 minutes to apply it before a performance)

Other Items

- 2 reusable water bottles (minimum 1000 ml) – decorated with stickers, etc. so you recognize it
- Headlamp and extra batteries ([Jeanne's fav.](#) Not good for long hair – can get caught.)
 - You can bring a handheld flashlight in addition to your headlamp, but you'll want to be hands free during night time adventures!
- Daypack for hiking trips and carrying your things around campus
- Letter writing supplies
 - Stationary, envelopes, stamps
 - You can also purchase postcards and stamps at the Camp Store
- 1-2 Books (we have a camp library and you can do a book swap with your fellow campers!)
- Deck of cards (optional)
- Personal Journal (optional, can be the same as your rehearsal journal)
- Pens, crayons, etc (optional)
- Mp3 player or other way to play music that doesn't require the internet (optional)
 - A great way to get white noise before you go to bed, hear a book on tape, etc.
- Camera (optional)
 - Digital, disposable or polaroid – but you will not have your phone!
- Sunglasses (optional)
- Pocket knife (optional)
- Personal fan (optional)
- Goggles (optional)
- Small personal hobby supplies (optional)
 - Do you knit? Practice magic tricks? Maybe you're a painter – if it fits in your luggage after everything necessary is packed, you can bring it!

Items to leave at home: Food, cell phones, video players, electronics that can connect to the internet, and weapons of any kind. We discourage you from bringing valuable personal items to camp. Traveling Players Ensemble is not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged items.

Where can I get gear that is good and cheap? We recommend [REI](#), [REI Outlet](#), [Campmor](#) (last year's colors often discounted), [Title Nine](#) (not cheap, but great for girls who are done growing – their stuff lasts at least a decade), and [TomboyX](#) (for trans/gnc-friendly swimwear!).

Want Traveling Players goodies? We have t-shirts (\$15), fleeces (\$55), water bottles (\$18) and water bottle splash guards (\$5). Get them at the camp store when you drop off your camper!

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It's going to be great! Can't wait!

Here's what goes in your car:

- 1 trunk
- 1 duffel bag / large backpack for linen and clothes
- Day pack with script, pencils, water bottle, etc
- Separate, and ready to pass off to staff:
 - Labeled ziploc with meds
 - Labeled ziploc with phone
 - Labeled ziploc with other electronics