

Packing List and Packing Tips

Packing for camp is the start of your child's independent camp experience. Please have your child participate in packing for camp so that they know where to find their clothing and other items. Campers who don't participate in packing often don't know what they have or where to find things at camp, which makes it harder to get acclimated to camp and to keep track of belongings

Tip 1: Label: Please label all items (even underwear and socks). We are not responsible for any lost items though we will do our best to help campers keep track of their personal items. First name with first letter of last name, last name only, or if you have to, initials. If using initials, use first, middle, and last. See Lost and Found policies.

Tip 2: Bags: Use whatever containers or baggage you have to transport luggage so long as it can be neatly organized, labelled and kept track of.

- Be sure bags are easy to carry and strong enough not to tear. We suggest duffel bags or backpacks for packing.
- Try to pack all bedding neatly into one bag and leave clothing and personal items in the other bag.

Tip 3: Pre-Inspection: You may include a checklist of packed items, or list items you wish to be returned home.

- Inspect all items to be sure they are labelled and count to make sure you've sent enough of each.
- Inspect for tears, stains, and items that aren't allowed or are not needed at camp.
- Bedbugs** can happen to anyone no matter how clean or organized you are! They are "hitchhiker bugs" and WMC works very hard to inspect for and prevent bedbugs at our facilities. Help us make camp safe for all guests.
 - Make sure you don't have any stowaways.
 - Check your campers clothes, bags, shoes, linens, sleeping bag and so on for bed bugs or lice. See our bed bug policies for tips on preventing and treating bed bugs.

Tip 4: Clothing: A good rule of thumb is to avoid clothing that would not pass a school inspection.

Camp gets messy. Bring at least one outfit that can get dirty and stained. We recommend that you do not send new clothing for your camper.

Tip 5: Bedwetting

Our staff know that bedwetting can happen and are taught to be discreet in such cases. Staff ensure that the camper's sheets are washed while the campers are out of the cabin. If you anticipate a case of bedwetting, please pack one extra set of sheets, protective underwear or extra clothes as needed, and let the counselor know that bedwetting may occur.

Tip 5: What NOT to Bring

Any prohibited items not immediately checked in or confiscated, WMC is not responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen items. For the sake of fairness and consistency, staff may confiscate and properly check-in and store items that were missed during check-in to be returned during check-out.

Tip 6: Camp Store: Campers may bring money to use in the camp store for daily treats. \$10 to \$15 is usually a sufficient amount for the week for food. They can bring more if they'd like to buy t-shirts or camp merchandise. All money is to be turned in with registration. Campers use the checked-in money as credit at the store. All left-over money will be returned to the parent/guardian at the end of the camping session. The camp store is stocked with T-shirts, a few toiletry items, pop, fruit juice, snacks, and other camp items. Sams Cola and healthy granola bars may be available for campers unable to provide funds for camp store.

Lost and Found

Unclaimed items will be presented on the Lost and Found table as part of check out. Campers and Parents will have a chance to look through the items to claim anything that belongs to them. Leftover items after check-out will be collected and stored in the camp office. Clothing items will be washed. All items will be held for thirty days at which point they will be considered donations to the camp and absorbed into camp supplies, disposed of, or donated to someone who can use them. WMC will make efforts to notify parents of lost items that were found. The office manager will send an email with a list of lost items with no descriptions. The person who thinks they lost something can contact the camp and describe the item. Camp will mail back the item if pickup is not possible. Depending on the item, the Camper's family may be responsible for printing a package slip and paying shipping costs. If items are clearly labelled we will contact the camper's family regarding their lost and found the week following the previous camp session.

ADULT (I/DD) CAMPS: ESSENTIAL CAMP PACKING LIST

MUST BRING:

Check off the list as you pack.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bedding (optional) WMC will provide sheets, fleece blanket, and pillow for each camper. | <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Masks: Proper facemasks to protect against spread of Covid-19. Recommend minimum of 3 masks. Camp can provide masks as needed. (see Covid Policeis for more info) | <input type="checkbox"/> T-shirts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Towels: for showers and one for swimming | <input type="checkbox"/> Underwear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet Articles – Toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, soap, deodorant, comb, brush, sanitary pads | <input type="checkbox"/> Socks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen | <input type="checkbox"/> Pajamas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bug spray (non-aerosol if possible, as its damaging to cabins and nature) | <input type="checkbox"/> Pants or jeans (in case it gets cool) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle (WMC provides one, and campers are welcome to bring their own). | <input type="checkbox"/> Jacket or sweatshirt |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clothes: Enough for each day and extras | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimsuit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medications: bubble packs (see our full medications policies) | <input type="checkbox"/> Closed-toed sturdy walking shoes for hiking & camp activities (ie. tennis or running shoes) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Water shoes for lake use - MUST HAVE!
(Inexpensive ones or extra pair of old shoes meant to wear in the lake that week) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> White T-shirt or bandana to tie-dye (some camps offer this craft) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Notebook |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Pen or pencil |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> positive attitude |

OPTIONAL ITEMS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible, We have extras. | <input type="checkbox"/> Sketch pad or journal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Talent Show stuff for some camps. | <input type="checkbox"/> Comics or Books for reading |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandals with a strap to secure sandal to feet | <input type="checkbox"/> Address list of friends and relatives to write to |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shower shoes (flip flops) for pool & cabin use | <input type="checkbox"/> Favorite stuffed animal or photos from home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Gear – poncho or raincoat or umbrella | <input type="checkbox"/> Sports equipment (with your name on it!) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight or headlamp | <input type="checkbox"/> Deck of cards or non electric games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outfit for “fancy” dinner or dances | <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing gear and bait |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark clothes for night games | <input type="checkbox"/> Inexpensive or disposable camera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small backpack or bookbag | <input type="checkbox"/> food (unless you are okay with sharing), |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Musical Instrument - Guitar, flute,etc | |

PROHIBITED: DO NOT BRING:

Adults attending as campers may bring certain electronics, though we discourage this as it can take away from the camp experience. This would be cameras, smart phones, or tablets. Other electronics we ask you leave at homes listed below.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> clothes that advertise cigarettes, alcohol, sex or drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> Expensive valuables/jewelry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drugs, alcohol, or tobacco products | <input type="checkbox"/> Unorganized or unidentified meds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Weapons of any kind. This includes knives, guns, or explosives, airsoft guns etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Electronics (see electronics policy), |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fireworks and matches | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Gaming consoles or Handheld Electronic Gaming Systems of any brand: Nintendo DS, Switch, PSP, |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expensive items that you do not want lost or broken. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Explicit or offensive materials | |