



PACKING GUIDE





PACKING TIPS & REMINDERS

READ, PRINT, AND USE THIS PACKING GUIDE!

- Review this guide early and order anything you need.
- Check the “**What Not to Bring**” list (pages 5) before packing.
- Print “**Packing List**” (page 7) for each camper to list how many of each item you are sending.
- No printer? Email us and we’ll mail one.
- Place the completed list inside your camper’s bag, where it can be easily found.
- Counselors use the packing list to help campers unpack, pack up, and double-check that all items are accounted for.

LABEL EVERYTHING

- Label every item with your camper’s full name (not just clothing).
- Don’t forget shoes, hats, jackets, and anything worn on arrival day.
- Label luggage for easy ID on arrival & departure days.
- Use permanent marker or durable iron-on labels. If using iron-on tape, be sure it withstands multiple washes and commercial dryers.

MAKE PACKING A TEAM EFFORT

- Have your camper help choose and pack their items.
- Campers should know what they’re bringing and where it is.
- Parents should oversee the process to be sure nothing is forgotten or packed by mistake.
- If you’re worried your camper may not find things, leave a note for the counselor inside their bag.

CHOOSING A BAG

- Collapsible duffel or suitcase works best.
- All belongings are unpacked on arrival into each camper’s own shelves.
- Empty bags and suitcases are stored under the bed.
- Make sure luggage is **clearly labeled** with camper’s name in case it gets separated.

WATER BOTTLE (MOST IMPORTANT ITEM!)

- Bring 1–2 refillable bottles for daily use, each **labeled with camper’s name**.
- Use a strap, waist pack, or CamelBak to avoid losing it.
- Do not send bottled water.
- Camp provides fresh, clean drinking water at all activities and meals.

SLEEPING BAG

- Sleeping bags are required for overnight campouts.
- Medium weight is best (summer nights don’t get colder than ~40°F).
- Full zipper recommended for comfort and flexibility.
- Label sleeping bag with camper’s name.
- Optional: bring a fitted sheet or blanket to use on the bunk mattress (twin size).



ALL THE DIRT ON LAUNDRY

SCHEDULE & SERVICE

- **2-week campers:** one laundry service included (mid-session).
- All girls' laundry go out on Friday & Saturday, and all boys' laundry go out on Sunday.
- **1-week campers:** no laundry service; pack enough for the entire week.
- Mark **"Yes"** or **"No"** for laundry service on the Packing Guide
 - If blank, we will assume "Yes."
- No extra cost unless laundry exceeds **11 lbs.** (FPC covers first 11 lbs.; **\$1.75**/additional lb.)
- Typical camper laundry weighs 10-15 lbs.

CLOTHING TIPS

- Send only clothes that can withstand **heavy washing/drying**. Fashion isn't important at camp, **comfort** is!
- Do not send delicate fabrics, brand-new items, or anything you'd be upset to lose.
- Pack enough underwear, socks, and essentials even with laundry service.
- Clothes may return slightly wrinkled – plan for "camp standard," not perfect folding.
- Campers should avoid sending heavy items (blankets, sleeping bags, large towels, etc.) to laundry.

LABELING

- Label every single item (clothes, socks, towels, bedding), even if you opt out of laundry service.
- Use camper's full name, not initials.
- Permanent marker, laundry marker, iron-on labels, or sew-in tags work best.

LOST & FOUND

- Most items in Lost & Found are unlabeled, and some campers (especially the younger ones) cannot identify their own belongings.
- Counselors encourage campers to check, but labeling is the only reliable way to ensure items come home.

BAGS & LAUNDRY PROCESS

- Each camper must bring their own sturdy, labeled laundry bag.
- Counselors collect these individual bags and place them in a larger bag for the whole cabin.
 - Campers should only send their own laundry. Otherwise, you may be charged for someone else's laundry!
- Cabin bags are sent to the laundromat and returned clean.
- Items in each camper's bag are washed, dried, and folded together.
- Items with special wash needs (wool, dry-clean, etc.) should not be sent to camp.

TIPS FOR PARENTS

- Consider sending an extra bag for socks/undergarments (helps keep small items together).
- Expect some normal "camp wear and tear" – items may come back with stains, marks, or a bit of red dirt that doesn't wash out.





DRESS CODE

At FPC, campers should dress for comfort, safety, and participation in activities. Camp isn't about fashion – clothing should be practical and able to get dirty.

REQUIRED

- T-shirts with sleeves (for sun protection; no tank tops or spaghetti straps).
- Shorts or pants suitable for active play.
- Swimsuits that allow easy, active movement (one-piece or swim trunks/board shorts are best).
- Closed-toe shoes at all times (except in the shower or pool).

NOT ALLOWED

- Crop tops, spaghetti straps, tank tops.
- Very short shorts.
- Bikinis or super-short swim trunks.
- Flip-flops or open-toed shoes (except shower/pool use).
- Clothing with offensive language or graphics (including alcohol, drugs, or similar references).

WHY?

- Safety and sun protection
- Comfort during high-energy activities
- Ensuring all campers can participate confidently

Our clothing guidelines will never be used to single out or marginalize any camper or staff member. We will not enforce standards in a way that discriminates based on race, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion, cultural observance, household income, or body type/size. The policy will be enforced consistently for everyone.



WHAT NOT TO PACK

To keep camp safe, simple, and fun, please do not bring the following items:



- ✗ Electronics: cell phones, tablets, Kindles, laptops, music players, gaming consoles, etc.
- ✗ Food, Snacks, candy, or gum: attracts animals and creates health/safety issues.
- ✗ Cash or valuables: jewelry, expensive clothing, collectibles, etc.
- ✗ Makeup, perfume, hair dryers, straighteners, curling irons, etc.
- ✗ Weapons or contraband: knives, fireworks, lighters, matches, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, vapes, etc.
- ✗ Anything you'd be upset to lose – camp life is tough on belongings.

WHY?

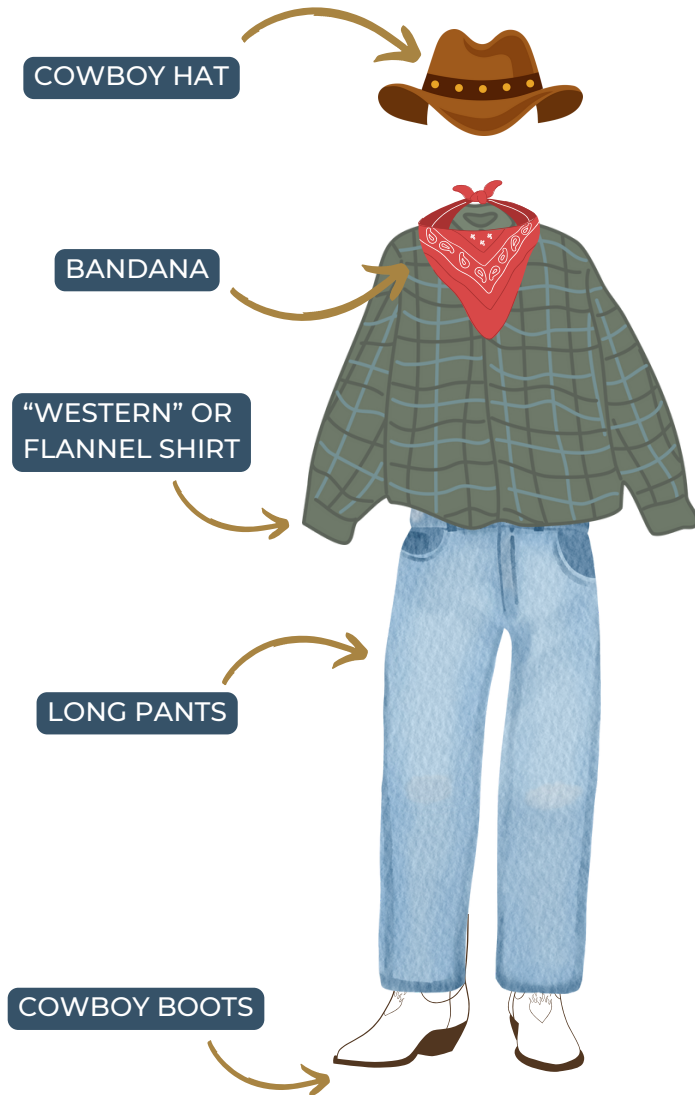
- Electronics distract from the camp experience and are easily lost or damaged.
- Food creates messes, attract critters, and may cause allergy issues.
 - Camp provides plenty of food (3 hot meals and 2 snacks a day).
- Valuable or delicate items can't be kept secure at camp.

**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL US IF YOU HAVE
QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT NOT TO BRING!
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HOW TO DRESS FOR RENDEZVOUS

Rendezvous is a long-standing Friendly Pines tradition with a Western theme. Campers and staff dress in simple Western-style clothing to take part.



Campers should bring a cowboy hat with them, but we have some loaners available. Counselors will wear raccoon-skin hats.

FPC will provide loaner bandanas; the color will correspond to the camper's village (i.e., age group).

Not required, but a long-sleeve shirt is nice to have on those cooler camp evenings.

Long pants are required, and we do not have loaners available. Campers should pack long pants (denim is preferable but not required) even if they do not plan to sign up for any horseback riding activities.

Completely optional, but why not round out the whole look! Any shoe though must be closed-toed.





CAMPER PACKING LIST

Print a hard copy of the packing list and place the completed form inside your camper's luggage.

- Each camper must have their own list and their own luggage.
- Mark EVERYTHING with your camper's full name — not just clothes!
- Parents/Guardians: write in the number of each item packed under "# Sent."

CAMPER FIRST NAME: _____

CAMPER LAST NAME: _____

SESSION(S): _____

CAMP USE ONLY: _____ COUNSELOR: _____ CABIN: _____

FOOTWEAR

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
|--------|---------|---------|---|
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 2 PAIRS OF SNEAKERS/TENNIS SHOES
<i>Closed-toe shoes required; hiking boots optional</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 PAIR OF WATERFRONT SHOES
<i>Closed-toe; for waterfront activities at the pool or lake</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 PAIR SHOWER SHOES
<i>Flip flops are optional; for <u>cabin-use only</u></i> |

LAUNDRY SERVICE

- Laundry service is **NOT** available for one-week campers.
 - If there is no selection, we will assume you want laundry service.
- YES** – I've read *All the Dirt on Laundry* and I **do** want the camp to arrange laundry service for my child. I understand that any charges may be added to my camper's store account.
- NO** – I've read *All the Dirt on Laundry* and I **do NOT** want the camp to arrange laundry service. I've packed adequate clothing and supplies, and my camper is aware of this decision.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

DATE

CLOTHING

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
|--------|---------|---------|---|
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 2 JACKETS OR SWEATSHIRTS |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 2-3 SETS OF PAJAMAS |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 5-7 PAIRS OF SHORTS |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 7-8 T-SHIRTS
<i>Shoulders covered; no tank tops, spaghetti straps, or crop tops</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 9-10 PAIRS OF UNDERGARMENTS
<i>Underwear, undershirt, bras</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 9-10 PAIRS OF SOCKS |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 3-4 PAIRS OF JEANS/PANTS/LEGGINGS
<i>Required for horseback riding; full length, used in ceremonies</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1-2 SWIMSUITS
<i>One-piece, tankini, or rash guard; modest length, cover midriffs</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1-2 HATS
<i>Cowboy hat required for ceremonies; cap or visor optional</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | ROUND DANCE OUTFIT
<i>Optional Western themed outfit; no open-toed shoes please</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | SPECIAL DAY THEME OUTFITS/PROPS
<i>Themes announced before camp</i> |

RIDING GEAR (IF YOUR CAMPER PLANS TO RIDE)

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
|--------|---------|---------|--|
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 PAIR OF RIDING BOOTS
<i>Smooth sole and a pronounced heel; loaners available</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 RIDING HELMET
<i>Loaners available</i> |

ESSENTIALS

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
|--------|---------|---------|--|
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1-2 REFILLABLE WATER BOTTLES
<i>Labeled; strap or CamelBak recommended</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 CUP
<i>For drinking water in the cabin, rinsing after brushing teeth</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 SPF 30+ SUNSCREEN |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1-2 TRAVEL HAND SANITIZER |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1-2 FLASHLIGHT OR HEADLAMP
<i>Don't forget batteries!</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | PONCHO OR RAINCOAT
<i>Required – summer storms are common</i> |

FUN & FREE-TIME ITEMS

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
|--------|---------|---------|---|
| ___ | ___ | ___ | WRITING PAPER, ENVELOPES, STAMPS
<i>No limit on quantity! Campers get one postcard and stamp per week to write home</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | FREE-TIME SUPPLIES
<i>Deck of cards, bracelet kits, football, books, sketch pad, etc.</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | CAMERA
<i>Disposable or digital with no internet connection capability; limited number of outlets in cabin to charge cameras.</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | BOOK & COSTUME DONATIONS
<i>Any books for camp library or costumes for Drama</i> |

BED & BATH

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
|--------|---------|---------|--|
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 SLEEPING BAG
<i>Required for overnight campout; medium weight with zipper</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 2 SETS OF SHEETS + COMFORTER
<i>Optional to put under sleeping bag in cabin; twin size</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 BLANKET
<i>Optional</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 PILLOW |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 2 PILLOW CASES |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 2 BATH TOWELS |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 BEACH TOWEL
<i>For waterfront activities at the pool or lake</i> |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | 1 LAUNDRY BAG |
| ___ | ___ | ___ | TOILETRIES
<i>Highlight what you pack! Toothbrush , toothpaste , floss , retainers/mouth guards, body soap , shampoo , conditioner , comb/brush , deodorant , face cleanser/wipes, glasses, contacts & solution, feminine products , nail clippers, shaving supplies</i> |

OTHER ITEMS PACKED

- | # sent | un-pack | re-pack | |
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= ITEM AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN POST OFFICE STORE