



PACKING GUIDE

MINICAMP



VERSION 2027



PACKING TIPS & REMINDERS

MINI CAMP DOES NOT HAVE LAUNDRY SERVICE

- Because of the shorter length of session, Mini Campers do not have laundry service.
- Please plan to pack enough clothing & toiletries to last them through the 5-night stay.

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.

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.



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CHOOSING A BAG

- Collapsible duffel works best. (We also have a Friendly Pines Camp 'MegaPak' for sale in our camp store).
- All belongings are unpacked on arrival into each camper's own shelves or crate.
- Empty bags 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 all around camp and at meals.

SLEEPING BAG OR BEDDING OPTIONS

- Your camper has two choices for their bunk: sleeping bag or fitted sheet with blanket.
- Optional: a fitted sheet for the mattress with a sleeping bag on top is great too!
- Medium weight sleeping bag weight is best. Overnight temps range from 40°F to 70°F and cabins are all temperature controlled.
- Full zipper recommended for comfort and flexibility.
- Label everything with camper's name.





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.

✔ GREAT CLOTHING TO BRING TO CAMP:

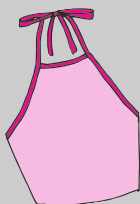


WHAT NOT TO PACK

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

✗ CLOTHING YOU SHOULD LEAVE AT HOME:

Shorts that ride too high or too low



crop tops

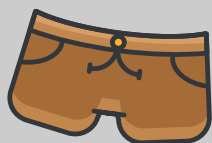


Sleeveless shirts or tank tops



spaghetti strap shirts

bikinis



Shorts that won't be comfortable in a challenge harness



flip flops

sandals, including tevas, chacos, & birkenstocks



swim shorts that are too short or tight

any open-toed shoes



- ✗ Electronics: cell phones, smartwatches, 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?

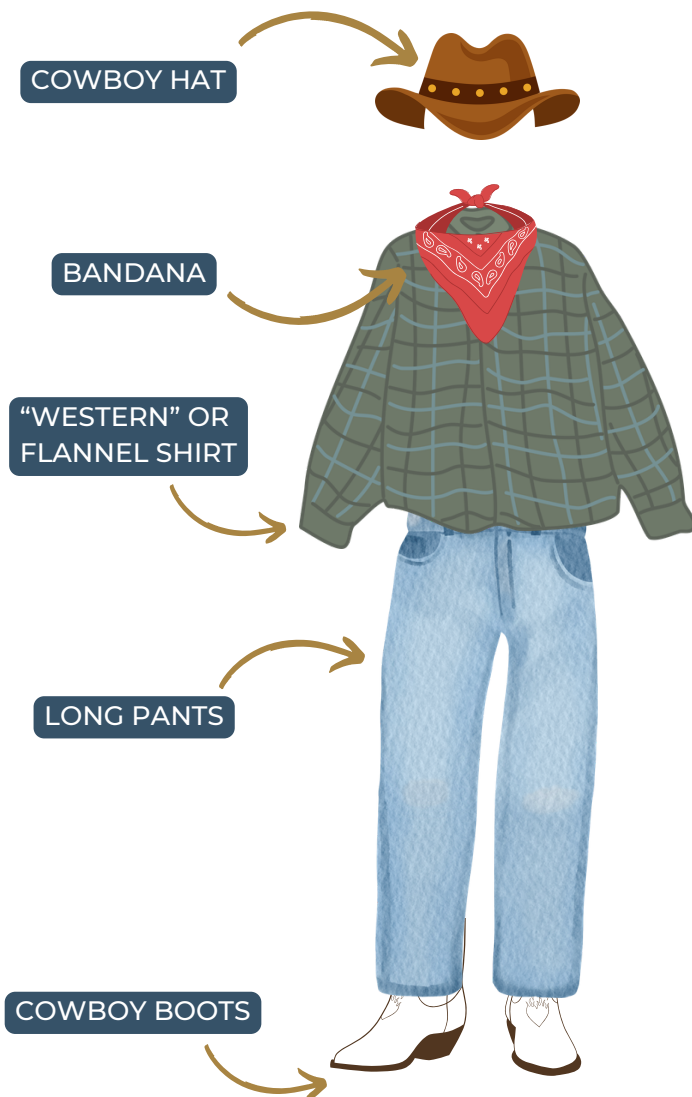
- **A central part of our camp program is being screen-and-technology-free.**
- Electronics distract from the camp experience and are easily lost or damaged.
- Food creates messes, attracts critters, and may cause allergy issues.
 - Camp provides plenty of food (3 hot meals and 2 snacks a day).
- Valuable 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 Frontier 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 may 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.

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): _____

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>

BED & BATH

# sent	un-pack	re-pack	
—	—	—	1 SLEEPING BAG
—	—	—	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>

MINI CAMP

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 cabin-use only</i>

RIDING GEAR - OPTIONAL

# 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 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>

OTHER ITEMS PACKED

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