

Camper Gear List (Two Weeks or Longer)

What to Bring to Camp

Large quantities of clothing are not needed at Night Eagle as laundry is done weekly, and many campers and staff wear a simple breechclout when the weather is nice. However, as the temperature can sometimes dip into the 40's, make sure that your son has an adequate supply of warm clothing. This list is more than adequate and has been carefully compiled to ensure his well-being and to prevent lost clothing and clutter in the tipi. Experienced campers usually bring much less. Send old clothes as camp life has a way of treating clothing harshly.

REMEMBER campers have to carry their own gear the half-mile into camp. We recommend that all the camper's gear be packed and carried in a duffel bag AND a backpack (with hip belt and shoulder pads). Less is best!

Clothing

1 pair sneakers
6 pairs cotton or wool socks
7 pairs of underwear
5 t-shirts
1 long sleeve shirt
2 pairs long pants
2 pairs short pants
1 swimming suit
1 heavy sweater *or* sweatshirt
1 poncho *or* raincoat

Other

2 towels/2 wash cloths
1 blanket for sitting on during activities
Stationery (stamped/addressed in ziplock bag)
Writing pens
Candles (Shabbat candles are ideal and plentiful.)
1 good fitting pair of THICK work gloves
1 day pack (school type for day hikes)
Toiletries (deodorant, biodegradable soap, etc.)
Sun block (SPC 15 or higher)
Insect repellent (No Aerosols!)
Knife with 2"-3" locking blade *or* *small* sheath knife
Breechclout, choker, medicine pouch (*returning campers*)

Camping Gear (for tipi living)

1 sleeping bag (rated 40 degrees or less)
1 ground cloth
1 back pad (NO HAMMOCKS or Cots)
1 cook kit ("mess kit")
1 fork and 1 spoon
1 canteen/water bottle (32 oz/1 liter)
1 small pillow

Optional

1 pair hiking boots (*see note)
1 backpack with hip belt/shoulder pads
Camera/film (disposable/no digitals)
Musical instrument
Tiva-like sandals or moccasins
Extra pair of eyeglasses
Summer reading material (Note: We have a library.)

Leave at Home – Everything that is not on this list, but especially the following:

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| hatchets | flashlights | all electronic devices (including cell phones) |
| watches | card games | glass containers |
| matches | aerosol cans | candy/gum/snacks |

Note on hiking boots: Hiking boots are not a necessity. Most campers usually hike in sneakers. Even on long back-packing trips, the average camper can usually get by without hiking boots, unless he has weak ankles. If you do bring boots, make sure they are *broken* in before you get to camp!