



# NORTH STAR CAMP FOR BOYS PACKING LIST

Even if you are a camp veteran, please read over this list as required items may change each year.

**\*\*NEW in 2023: [1 Cook Kit](#) (for Cruiser Day cookouts)\*\***

**All campers need everything on the list, except where noted.** Laundry occurs once a week, so you are packing for approximately 10 days of clothes (a few extra days just in case). If you know your camper goes through clothes faster or is prone to misplacing clothes that may end up in lost & found, please pack more as needed. You may also want to take this time to discuss the importance of taking care of their belongings (and camp's property) to them.

Campers who are going on the Canadian (current 9th graders attending 1st Session or 8 weeks) have a specific [Canadian Trip packing list](#).

Please call 715-462-3254 or email the office ([office@northstarcamp.com](mailto:office@northstarcamp.com)) if you have any questions.

## BAGGAGE

2 DUFFEL BAGS



If you are buying new duffels, get standard, heavy duty duffels that can withstand the wear & tear of travel to and from camp. Ideal size is approximately 36" x 17" x 17".  
**No hard sided foot lockers/trunks, please!**

## OUTERWEAR

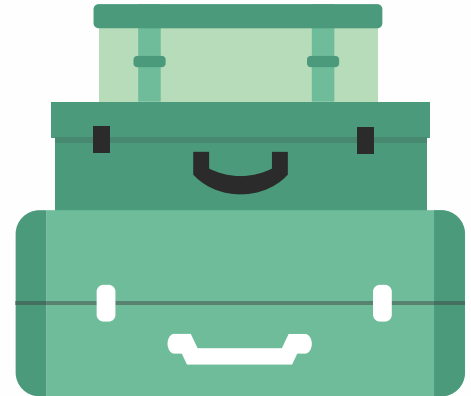
1 RAIN COAT OR WATERPROOF JACKET WITH HOOD **NO PONCHOS!**

1 MIDWEIGHT POLARTEC JACKET  
*\*A fast-drying jacket or fleece (avoid cotton fleece/sweatshirt material which doesn't absorb moisture). Ideal for trips!*

1-2 PAIRS OF LIGHTWEIGHT, FAST-DRYING NYLON PANTS *\*For rainy/cold weather and trips!*

1 WOOL OR FLEECE HAT *\*Ski hats work great.*

2 BASEBALL HATS



Please label your son's gear with his **full name**.



- Use permanent marker on items that can't be sewn or stamped
- Don't just use your son's initials or first name
- Avoid stickers that come off easily in wash
- Info on ordering labels can be found on the ["Preparing for Camp" page on our website](#)

## CLOTHING

12 T-SHIRTS *NSC OPTIONAL*

3 SWEATSHIRTS

5 LONG SLEEVED SHIRTS

10 PAIRS OF SHORTS  
*\*Fast-drying is best.*

4 SWIMSUITS



4 JEANS/SWEATPANTS

12-16 PAIRS OF SOCKS

12-16 PAIRS OF UNDERWEAR/BOXERS

## RECOMMENDED ITEMS

PLAYING CARDS

READING MATERIAL

CRAZY CREEK/CAMPING CHAIR  
**\*NO chairs with metal frames.**

BOARD GAMES/SMALL GAMES  
*\*Communal games to be played in the cabin.*



# LINEN **\*\*Cot sized bedding for ALL campers.\*\***

2 FITTED SHEETS

2 FLAT SHEETS

2 WARM BLANKETS

\*Sleeping bag may be used if it unzips flat.

1 PILLOW

3 PILLOW CASES

1 MATTRESS PAD



No egg crate mattress toppers, please. Egg crates are left behind at the end of the summer and create a negative environmental impact.

3 BATH TOWELS

3 BEACH TOWELS



2 WASHCLOTHS OR A SHOWER SCRUBBER/LOOFA

2 NORTH STAR LAUNDRY BAGS

New campers will be given 2 NSC Laundry Bags upon arriving at camp. If you are a returning camper and need a bag, please email [office@northstarcamp.com](mailto:office@northstarcamp.com) and the cost will be added to your camper's spending account.



# FOOTWEAR

2 PAIRS OF TENNIS SHOES

1 PAIR OF RAIN BOOTS

\*Hiking boots or old gym shoes work great.



1 PAIR OF AQUA SHOES

Aqua shoes need to stay on in the water (i.e. Chacos, Tevas, aqua socks, etc.). These are not flip flops, as they come off easily in the lake.



1 PAIR OF SHOWER SHOES/FLIP FLOPS \*Aqua shoes from above also work.

IF YOUR CAMPER IS CURRENTLY A:

- **7th Grader and attending 2nd Session or 8 weeks**  
OR
- **8th Grader and attending 1st Session or 8 weeks**  
THEN THESE FOOTWEAR ITEMS ARE NEEDED TOO:

1 PAIR HIKING BOOTS  
W/ ANKLE SUPPORT

Hiking boots recommended, not hiking shoes. Make sure your camper breaks them in before camp. Wearing worn-in boots on hiking trips results in fewer blisters.



2 PAIRS OF MIDWEIGHT  
HIKING SOCKS

Wool or synthetic only. Cotton does not dry quickly and contributes to blisters.



# MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS



1 SLEEPING BAG

Synthetic fiber sleeping bags recommended. They compress easily and dry much faster than down/cotton sleeping bags.

1 SLEEPING PAD FOR CAMPING



A basic foam camping sleeping pad works great. No need to purchase expensive inflatable pads.

1 TOILETRY KIT SUPPLIED WITH:

- TOOTHBRUSH
- COMB/BRUSH
- NAILCLIPPERS
- TOOTHPASTE
- SHAMPOO
- CUP
- SOAP/BODY WASH

SUNSCREEN (AT LEAST SPF 30)

MOSQUITO/TICK REPELLENT

\*Repellant with around 30% DEET recommended.



2 DURABLE WATER BOTTLES



Nalgene or Gatorade style water bottles are preferred. We do not recommend Camelback style water bottles with straws because they are hard to clean.

ENVELOPES AND STAMPS

This is a great opportunity to teach your son how to properly address an envelope (include an example) as opposed to providing self-addressed envelopes.



PENS AND PAPER

1 FLASHLIGHT & EXTRA BATTERIES

1 COOK KIT W/SILVERWARE SET

\*Lexan plate and cup is recommended like [this set](#).

A GOOD DISPOSITION

# ACTIVITY GEAR^

**^If your son will regularly participate in swimming, fishing, softball and/or tennis, we recommend he brings his own gear.**

SWIM GOGGLES

BASEBALL GLOVE

TENNIS RACQUET



FISHING POLE AND TACKLE ← \*Collapsible

# OPTIONAL ITEMS

1 ROBE OR WRAP TOWEL

1 HANGING SHOE BAG



OLD COSTUMES ← \*For skits and special programs.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS ↗

DIGITAL CAMERA ↗ \*Inexpensive recommended.

STUFFED ANIMAL

MUSIC PLAYER ← \*NO video, app, game or Wifi capabilities.

# PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are not allowed at camp:

-  EGG CRATE OR FOAM MATTRESS TOPPERS
-  KNIVES / POCKET KNIVES / MULTI TOOLS
-  E-READERS
-  SMART WATCHES
-  ANYTHING WITH A SCREEN (except sunscreen)
-  FOOD / SNACKS
-  BOTTLED WATER
-  WATER BALLOONS / WATER GUNS
-  DUCT TAPE
-  SILLY STRING
-  PHONES

Campers are not allowed to have phones at camp. Those traveling to or from camp by airplane can bring a phone to have during travel, and the phone will be collected and safely stored upon arrival. Campers bringing phones that are not traveling by air will have their phones sent home at their family's expense. We do not have storage for all camper's phones and cannot be responsible for the value of phones if they are lost or damaged.



IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL THE CAMP OFFICE AT 715-462-3254 OR EMAIL [OFFICE@NORTHSTARCAMP.COM](mailto:OFFICE@NORTHSTARCAMP.COM).

*"All my bags are packed; I'm ready to go."  
- John Denver, Leaving on a Jet Plane*

