



Packing List

Summer 2023



EVERY DAY CLOTHING

This should be simple, casual, modest clothing that you won't mind getting dirty or never seeing again.

- ☐ **10 pairs** Underwear
- ☐ **3 set** Pajamas
- ☐ **10** T-Shirts
- ☐ **10 pairs** Shorts
- ☐ **1** Plain white t-shirt for tie-dye
- ☐ **1** Nice (dressy casual) outfit for banquet



SHABBAT CLOTHING

We "dress up" on Fridays for a special feeling, but nothing too fancy. No heels!

- ☐ **2** Shabbat outfits for Friday evenings
- ☐ **2** Casual mostly white t-shirts for Saturday mornings
- ☐ **2** Kippot (for boys)



SWIM/OUTDOOR GEAR

- ☐ **2** Beach Towels
- ☐ **3** Swim Suits/Shirts (one piece or tankini, please)
- ☐ Goggles
- ☐ LOTS of sunscreen
- ☐ Bug Spray
- ☐ Optional sports equipment (glove, racquet, etc)
- ☐ **2** Hats: campers are REQUIRED to wear hats every day for sun protection



FOOTWEAR

- ☐ **14 pairs** Socks
- ☐ **1 pair** Tennis shoes (sneakers)
- ☐ **1 pair** Shoes that can get wet (sandals/crocs/swim shoes)
- ☐ **1 pair** Rain boots or old shoes for rainy days



BATH

"Toiletries" are different for everyone and for different ages; be sure to send enough toiletries to last the entire session. Note that 2-in-1 body/wash/shampoo is provided in all of the showers.

- ☐ **2** Bath towels
- ☐ Toiletries
- ☐ Shower Tote
- ☐ Brush and hair ties
- ☐ Deodorant



BEDDING

- ☐ **2 Sets** of twin sheets/pillowcases
- ☐ **1** Blanket
- ☐ **1** Pillow



LETTER WRITING

- ☐ Pens/pencils
- ☐ Postcards/stationery/stamps and/or preprinted blank eLetters
- ☐ Bag to store letters received



EQUIPMENT

- ☐ **2** Water bottles
- ☐ **1** Raincoat/Poncho
- ☐ **1** Flashlight with extra batteries



OPTIONAL

- ☐ Camera
- ☐ Sunglasses
- ☐ Books/book light
- ☐ Comfort item (stuffed animal or blanket)
- ☐ Photos of family/friends/pets
- ☐ Playing cards
- ☐ Travel games
- ☐ 1 age-appropriate children's book to donate to our camp library
- ☐ Outfits for 3 themed dinners. This year's themed dinners are Rock and Roll, Sports Jerseys, and Pirates
- ☐ (For Bogrim ONLY) 1 Outfit for Army Day (jeans and a shirt that can get muddy)



For SEGEL Campers ONLY

- ☐ Extra duffel bag. [We recommend this one](#)
- ☐ Day pack/backpack
- ☐ Additional water bottle (minimum quart sized)
- ☐ Bandana
- ☐ Wallet with \$100 - \$150 spending money (campers are responsible for holding their own money)
- ☐ Sleeping bag and sleeping pad
- ☐ Appropriate shoes – hiking boots or sneakers
- ☐ Closed toed water shoes
- ☐ Long pants/jeans
- ☐ **2** Sweatshirts/Long sleeved shirts

The camp packing list is the same for our 10-day and full session campers. It is created based on our laundry schedule, which campers have every 6-7 days.

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 he/she knows where to find clothing and other items. Campers who don't participate in packing often don't know what they have or where it is, which makes it harder to get acclimated to camp and to keep track of belongings.

To help you prepare for camp, we've partnered with **Pack For Camp** on our [CYJ Swag Store](#) and [Smart Packing List](#). Pack for Camp is your one-stop-shop for everything on the summer packing list and more! We earn a small commission on each purchase, so you're helping your camper and CYJ every time you shop with Pack for Camp!

► Bags

We suggest duffel bags with wheels for packing. Once the kids are unpacked, it is much easier for us to store duffel bags in the cabin than suitcases or bags with wheels. The best plan is to use two duffels: one for clothing and one for bedding and beach/bath towels. Please make sure that all of your camper's things fit **INSIDE** of the duffels and are not attached or tied to the outside.



We also ask that you send your campers with a backpack (like one they might take to school). It is used to pack for both trips and Closing Day, so that campers can leave out the few things they need after they have packed their duffels.



► Cubby Space

Each child will have the cubby shown for all of his/her things. If you follow our carefully prepared packing list (we have lots of experience with this!), then everything should fit. Cubby space is limited, and extra clothing and other items makes it difficult for the bunk to stay clean, organized, and uncluttered.



Each camper will have one side of this cubby to store his/her things.

► Labeling

Please make sure that **EVERYTHING** that you want to come home is labeled. This includes all clothing, shoes, even socks and underwear, as well as the non-clothing items like sheets and towels. If any found items have a name that is clearly marked we will do our best to return them. You may be billed for postage.

► Forgotten/lost items at camp:

CYJ will replace hats and water bottles that are lost, as those are mandatory items, and charge you a fee. We no longer allow parents to send packages to campers **UNLESS** it is for forgotten/lost/replacement items that we cannot provide at camp (think things like shoes, glasses, etc.) Those items can be sent to camp to the attention of the Office. We will have a stock of replacement items on site that campers can "shop" from, such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, sunscreen, batteries, stamps and other heavily used items. If your camper needs any of these, we will provide them and charge you.

► Bedwetting

Our staff is trained in how to handle bedwetting issues. They know that bedwetting can happen and staff are taught to be discreet. The staff ensures that the camper's sheets are washed while the campers are out of the cabin. If you anticipate a case of bedwetting, please pack an extra set of sheets.

► Laundry

Our in-house laundry service washes the campers' clothing once a week. Each camper will get a mesh laundry bag assigned to them to use while they are at camp. We wash and dry the dirty clothes inside the individual laundry bags so that nothing gets lost. We suggest that parents teach children how to make their beds and put their dirty clothes inside their laundry bags before they come to camp. This will make their daily cabin clean up (Nikayon) and laundry days so much easier!

► Cell Phones

We continue to enforce a no cell phone policy at camp. For campers travelling by air who need cell phones for the trip, we will hold their phones and travel documents safely in our office and return them at the end of the session.



DO NOT PACK

- Tight/revealing clothing or clothes that advertise cigarettes, alcohol, sex, or drugs
- Sheer or strapless clothing or dresses/skirts shorter than fingertips
- High heels
- E-readers, iPods, game devices - anything with a screen that may play videos, games, or have access to the Internet
- Valuables/Jewelry
- Matches, lighters, fireworks, candles
- Food
- Silly string or sling shots
- Skateboards, scooters, shoes with wheels
- Cell phones

HAVE QUESTIONS?

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