

2025 Ferncliff Overnight Camp

Packing List

Clothing Items:

- Several pairs of shorts
- Several T-shirts
- Underwear and socks for a week
- One pair of long pants or jeans
- One long-sleeved shirt or sweatshirt
- Pajamas
- Rain jacket or poncho
- Swimsuit
- Water Shoes
- Two pairs of sturdy, close-toed shoes
- Sandals or flip-flops for cabin time or at the pool

Toiletries:

- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Shampoo, conditioner, soap
- Personal care items (deodorant, lotion, contact solution, etc.)
- Sunscreen
- Bug repellent
- Bath towel and washcloth
- Beach towel to use at the pool
- Any medications you take (*in a separate bag to give to the nurse*)

Miscellaneous Items:

- Sleeping bag or sheets and a blanket
- Pillow and pillowcase
- Bible (we have extras if you don't have one!)
- Laundry bag for dirty clothes
- Flashlight and batteries
- Refillable water bottle
- Hat and sunglasses
- Camera
- Paper, pens/pencils, stamps, and envelopes to write letters
- Book, coloring book and crayons, friendship bracelet string, or other quiet activities for rest time

Things to Leave at Home:

1. Electronic items such as cell phones, iPads, video game players, etc.
2. Food, snacks, or candy
3. Expensive/sentimental items
4. Clothes that can't get dirty
5. Pets and animals
6. Money and wallets

**Remember: At camp, you'll be playing outside in the summer heat.
No need to bring your Sunday best!**

Campers will receive a bag on the first day of camp, which makes it easy to carry daily items like water bottles and swimwear.

PACKING TIPS

Pack with your child

Packing with your child is a great opportunity to build excitement about camp and to talk about any anxieties or concerns your child may have about their upcoming camp experience. You can also make sure they pack everything that they need to bring and leave the stuff that should stay at home, and your child will know where everything is.

Use the list while packing and when coming home

Use the checklist when you pack, and make sure you include any extra items your camper needs for the week (such as sleeping comforts like stuffed animals, personal care toiletries, photos from home.) When you're finished, pack the checklist in your child's luggage and instruct them to use it when they pack up their stuff at the end of the week. That way you can be sure that everything makes it home!

Choose what you pack in wisely

Pack your camper's stuff in something easy to carry a short distance from the unloading area to the cabins. A duffel bag, suitcase, footlocker, or heavy-duty plastic tub with a secure lid are all good options. Pillows, bedding, or sleeping bags do fine in labeled plastic trash bags.

Label everything

Put your child's first and last name on everything with a permanent marker, including the luggage. If your child loses something, it may turn up in Lost and Found and names allow us to reunite it with your camper. All unclaimed items are disposed of or donated at the end of the summer, two weeks after the last camp session.

Pack appropriate attire for camp

Pack clothing that is comfortable in hot summer weather, suitable for outdoor play, and able to potentially get wet or dirty. Campers should not pack clothing that promotes/depicts alcohol, tobacco, drugs, sexual behavior, or inappropriate language.

A note about swimsuits

We prefer that campers wear swim trunks/shorts rather than Speedos or one-piece suits rather than bikinis. These types of suits are generally more secure while playing in the pool. All campers should be sufficiently covered and ready for play!

Keep your medication separate

All medications (prescription, non-prescription, and over-the-counter) are held and dispensed by the camp nurse. Please pack them separately from your luggage. At check-in on Sunday, you will turn them over to the nurse directly.