



CAMPING TRIP GEAR CHECKLIST

(A prepared Explorer is a happy Explorer! Check off items as you pack and put your name on as much as you can, either on the labels or with a piece of tape.)

NECESSITIES (This includes what you're wearing on the bus)

- 3-4 pairs of full-length pants (jeans are OK, but they are bulky and take a long time to dry in rain or snow)
- 1 pair of waterproof snow pants to pull on over regular pants (or at least something similar)**
- 3-4 pairs of underwear
- 2 pairs of thermal underwear, *Under Armour*, leggings, sweatpants or something similar (great for layering)
- 6 pairs of socks (at least), both heavy-duty & regular (we'll have them in 2 pairs if necessary; no short socks)
- 3-4 t-shirts for layering
- 3 warm, long-sleeve shirts, thermals/sweaters/sweatshirts (fleece is great and dries out quickly!)
- PJs or something warm (and dry) to sleep in (pack extras for layering if you don't have tops or bottoms above)
- 1 pair of waterproof snow boots or at least waterproof hiking boots
- 1-2 warm, winter hats
- 1-2 pairs of waterproof gloves
- Scarf
- Winter coat (waterproof-type is best)
- Flashlight
- Extra batteries for flashlight (very important!)
- Sleeping bag *or* sheet & **extra warm blanket** (the lodge has sleeping pads for each person to sleep on)
- Plastic bag for dirty/wet clothes
- Toiletries:** toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, towel, washcloth, deodorant (if needed), etc. (*There are no showers!*)

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- Water bottle (we will be giving them one for the weekend, but you are welcome to pack your own; just put your name on it)
- Chapstick/lip balm
- Slippers or something similar when indoors (a pair of sneakers is fine too; no bare feet allowed in the lodge)
- Pillow
- Disposable camera
- Sunglasses
- Reading material, activity book, etc.
- Stuffed animal to sleep with (some kids like to bring something along these lines, which is fine)
- Journal and pen

PLEASE DO NOT BRING...

- Food or candy
 - Anything valuable!!!
 - Cell phones/Tablets/Video Games/Radios/etc.
 - Pokémon/Yu-Gi-Oh Cards, toys, etc.
 - Hair dryers
- Anything electronic – these items cause distractions & disagreements. Plus, we're camping! **You don't need them.**

***** NOTE *****

Some of this may sound excessive, but we will be outside several different times throughout the day. When we come inside to warm up, the wet clothes come off and there is really nowhere to get them dry in between. No one wants to put those back on when it's time to head back out, so pack plenty of extras. If you have snow pants, you may not need 4 pairs of pants; if you don't have snow pants you'll definitely need at least 4 pairs. The goal is to keep them warm, comfortable and as dry as possible. It's not much fun when someone has to stay inside because he/she is out of dry clothes.