

Dear Tag Parents,

You will notice that the following Tag Equipment and Clothing list is different than the one you or your camper received. Throughout the years we have found that the needs of tags are different. The tags do many of the same activities of campers, but the level of dirt, water play and other interactions are different and we have found that tags just need more clothes, bedding, etc.! Feel free to add to this list, but please do not delete anything. Your tag will go through many pairs of long pants, pajamas, socks and everything else in the course of 10 days.

Please do not try to share supplies or clothing with your tag. It simply does not work. Tags need to have their own water bottles, cameras, day packs, blankets, toiletries, etc. Each person in camp needs their own of each item because you will need them at the same time during camp.

In addition, we suggest that you bring an extra lightweight blanket for nap / quiet time. A small pillow is better for sleeping than none. Quiet books and games are good for quiet time. (Don't forget to label all of these items / everything.) Please DO NOT bring anything too fancy as it is hard to track down small pieces. Please no video or handheld electronic games.

A stuffed animal is welcome to come to camp with your child. Sometimes the children will sleep better with a familiar friend at their side.

Please DO NOT send food with your child. We have plenty of snacks and food for everyone. We don't want the critters to find any food before we do! Medicine is to be given to the nurse upon entering camp. Medication does not belong in your child's duffle bag or backpack.

We'll do lots of hikes and outdoor activities, so please be sure to pack a sturdy pair of shoes (hiking boots and/or athletic shoes are great) and clothes that can get dirty. Lastly, a great attitude about being on their own for ten days is wonderful. This can be a great learning experience for you and your child. They will have the time of their lives!!

When moving your child into the tag unit, the staff will need the following items:

- 1) Letter writing supplies
- 2) Toothbrush and toothpaste (in quart-sized Ziploc bag)
- 3) PJs (in gallon-sized Ziploc bag)
- 4) Costume for Warm Fuzzy Skit
- 5) Car/Booster seat (if applicable)- these will need to be installed into the Tag staff cars

See you at camp,

Your Tag Staff

**Camp Butano Creek
Tag Equipment & Clothing List**

It is best to limit luggage to two pieces: one sleeping bag and one duffel bag, as your camper will need to be able to carry it to and from their unit. She may also pack items in a daypack/backpack. Please do not send your camper with hard sided suitcases. **LABEL EVERYTHING WITH CAMPER'S NAME.** Pack one complete outfit for each day, the camp does not have laundry facilities.

<p><u>EQUIPMENT NEEDED:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warm sleeping bag (extra bag if bed-wetter) • 1—2 warm blankets • Pillow (can be small) /Pillowcase • Unbreakable cup with handle • Flashlight, plus extra batteries • Water bottle • Daypack <p><u>CLOTHES:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Swimsuits (1 for beach, 1 to shower in) • 3—4 Shorts / Capri's • 8—10 pair Long Pants / Jeans • 8—10 Short Sleeve Shirts • 6—8 Long Sleeve Shirts • 15 pairs Underwear • 20 pairs Crew Socks (or longer length) • 2—3 pairs warm PJ's or Sweat Suit (more if bed-wetter) • 2—3 Sweatshirts or Sweaters • Baseball cap or hat with brim • Warm hat; Gloves or Mittens • Warm Jacket • Raincoat / Rain Poncho with hood • 2 pairs shoes with good tread; Sneakers or Hiking Boots are best - NO SANDALS • Water Shoes / Flip Flops—<i>for shower only</i> • 1 pair Slip-on Shoes for night time biffy runs • Laundry Bag 	<p><u>PERSONAL ITEMS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Toothbrush and toothpaste • Shampoo / Conditioner • Bath Soap • Hairbrush and comb • Sunscreen (spf 15 or higher) • Lip balm with sunscreen • Insect repellent (NO AEROSOL) • Deodorant • 2 bath towels, 1 washcloth, 1 hand towel • Beach towel • Bag /Container to carry shower items • Medication, if needed • Bandana(s) • Hair ties / Scrunchies / Hair Bands • Stationary, pens, pencils, & stamps • Pull-Ups (if necessary) • Wash-n-Drys (for quick cleanup) • Costume/Dress-up Clothes (for 1st Night Skit) <p><u>OPTIONAL (but nice to have):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camera and film (try disposable) • Sunglasses with head strap • Favorite toy/game, books • Twin fitted bed sheet— to cover camp mattress • Favorite stuffed animal • Hiking Boots and/or extra pair of shoes • Kleenex
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Do not bring: no-show or ankle length socks; toeless / backless shoes, sandals; aerosol cans, glass bottles; **cellular phones / pagers;** expensive cameras; any electronic devices; rings or other valuable jewelry; footlockers. Campers should also **NOT bring:** candy, gum, or snacks with them to camp.

Helpful advice: When packing for camp, think of your camper, if they tend to be cold pack extra warm things. Pack enough shirts, socks, and underwear so your child has enough for each day and an extra. Please bundle outfits together for each individual day, so it is easier for them to get ready in the morning. This can be done by putting a set of clothes (pants, shirt, socks and underwear) in a gallon-sized zip-lock bag and labeled as "shorts & t-shirt" or "long sleeved / long pants". It is best to put all bottles containing liquid (shampoo, liquid soap, sunscreen) in plastic bags for traveling. While at camp it is easier if your camper has something to carry their bathroom supplies in; mesh bags work well. Attach a packing list inside your camper's bag to help them pack at the end of the session. For younger campers pre-address and stamp envelopes for letters. Have your camper pack their bags with you.

REMEMBER TO LABEL EVERYTHING!!!!

How to pack your bag for camp

Before you begin to pack,
LABEL ALL ITEMS that are going to camp! (*Especially socks and underwear*)

Using the packing list as a guide; pack daily outfits into a 1 or 2 gallon re-sealable bag. This will:

- take up less space in your bag (*don't forget to squeeze the air out of the bag*)
- keep your clothes clean and dry until you are ready to wear them
- give you a place to put dirty clothes back into (just fold your dirty clothes up and put into empty zip-lock) when changing your clothes

Examples of what will fit into different size re-sealable bags:

1 gallon bag



Pajamas & Socks

1 gallon bag



Days Outfit:
(Shirt, Underwear, Socks)

2 gallon bag



3 pairs of Pants

1 gallon bag



Toiletries

A 1 quart bag works well for:
 an extra set of underwear and socks; Pre-addressed stationary; Bandanas.

Examples of different types of bags to pack gear into:

Day Pack
 or
 School Backpack



1 – 3 Day Outing

Great for:
 Camporee

22" Duffel



2 – 4 Day Outing

Camporee

30" Duffel



1 – 2 Week Outing

Resident Camp