Academy Packing List

Adventure Travel

Dress for adventure! Show up wearing comfortable clothing and the following:



Sun hat / cap / glasses



Sturdy, comfortable hiking shoes



Sunscreen & Insect Repellent



Pack these items every day (including overnights) in your "Day Pack"

Choose a comfortable backpack that can be carried on short hikes:



A healthy lunch w/ snacks (Day one only)



A small camp towel



Closed-toed water shoes (no flip flops)



Re-usable water bottle



Warm fleece jacket



Bathing suit



Rain jacket



Rain pants



Synthetic base layer shirt & pants (Great for warming up and sleeping in)

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Pack these items for your overnight in your "Overnight Bag"

Choose a medium sized duffel bag or backpack that your child can carry short distances. Packs should be large enough to accommodate your child's sleeping bag and pad.



Flashlight / Headlamp



Warm hat / gloves



4-5 T-shirts 2 long sleeve



3 pairs of shorts



2-3 pair of long pants



Changes of underwear



5-6 pair of synthetic socks



Re-usable mess kit



Small toiletries kit



Synthetic or down sleeping bag



Sleeping pad



Journal / Sketch pad / book

These items available for purchase at the Academy welcome desk

Packing 101: Light is Right! Keeping your kids mobile in the field greatly enhances their experience. Synthetic materials are best. They pack small, wick moisture, dry fast and are warmer. Cotton gets wet, is heavy and should be avoided if possible. Having all of the abovementioned items in your child's day pack every day prepares them for the ever-changing weather conditions of the San Juan region as well as allows them to participate in a variety of activities (boating, climbing, etc.). Day Packs should be packed for both non-overnight and overnight days. Day packs are taken inside the van with your child and are always accessible. Overnight packs are loaded on top of the van and are often not always accessible. With nearly 1,000 kids, 20+ vehicles and over 100 programs this summer it is essential to LABEL EVERYTHING!



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