



SUMMER CAMP - FAMILY CAMP PACKING LIST

ALL CAMPER: please adjust numbers for all members of your family 😊

CLOTHING

- Rain jacket**
- Rain pants**
- 6-day supply of underwear and socks
- 2 pairs of long pants
- 2 pairs of shorts
- 4 t-shirts
- 2 long sleeve shirts
- 2 warm sweaters
- 1 pair pajamas
- 1 bathing suit

GEAR

- Day pack (school bags are usually a good fit)**
- 1-litre water bottle**
- Warm sleeping bag** (recommended for tipis/yurt)
OR **Bedding** (single beds in longhouse and clusters)
- Pillow and blanket
- Laundry bag
- 2 towels (one for showers, one for swimming)
- Running shoes**
- Rubber boots**
- Sandals
- Sun hat
- Flashlight or headlamp (and extra batteries)
- Warm toque and mitts

TOILETRIES

Tip: a labeled zip lock bag works well for storing toiletries

- Sunscreen, sunglasses, lip balm, insect repellent
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Soap, shampoo, and conditioner (small bottles are best)
- Comb or brush
- Deodorant

OPTIONAL:

- Camera
- Bug net (for tipis)
- Books and word puzzles for bedtime or downtime
- ADULT SOCIAL EVENINGS: snacks and drinks* (nut free, adults only)

** please leave these items in your car or in common area fridges. FOOD IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE ACCOMMODATIONS*

Bolded items are essential for camp success – make sure that these are good quality and that your camper(s) know where to find them in their bags

Weather: Campers participate in activities and out trips in a variety of weather – Summer can range from hot, sunny, and dry to cold, wet or even snowy weather.

Tip: packing clothing items that can be layered is a great way to keep your camper happy and in both hot and cool weather

Commitment to Family Time

- Please leave electronics (cell phones, iPods, tablets, E-readers*, gaming devices, etc.) at home – campers and staff at Camp Chief Hector are making a choice to be in the moment, experience new things together, and connect with their environment.

“There is no wifi here, but you will find a better connection.”

(we do actually have wifi, but let’s leave that strictly for vital work and focus on being together)

- Jewelry, money, candy can also be left at home (or in your car)

*E-Readers are okay with wifi/internet options turned off. Camp is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen items.



TIPS and TRICKS!	LOST AND FOUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Plastic bins or hockey bags are great for organizing clothes and keeping them dry and secure in the tipi ✓ Label all items with name and last initial 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Brand new clothes are often the items that campers leave behind – pack clothes that they have worn many times so they recognize them in the lost & found ✓ Please consider keeping expensive valuables and other items that would be greatly missed at home. Camp Chief Hector YMCA is not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen items ✓ Send a list of all items packed so your camper can double check the list as they pack to go home ✓ Lost and Found will be kept until September – there are 2 days of Lost and Found viewing when you can come look for your child’s items at Camp Sundays: September 10 & 17 from 2-4PM
<p>ARRIVAL and DEPARTURE</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Please arrive between 10:00 and 10:30 AM on Sunday ✓ Park in Bowfort Parking lot, check in at Bowfort Lodge ✓ Community meeting and activity sign up starts at 11:00AM sharp. ✓ Lunch on opening day will begin at 1:00PM ✓ Camp will finish directly after lunch on Friday 	

GETTING TO CAMP

Our site is approximately 1 hour’s drive from Calgary. A map and full directions are posted at the website. (Please do not use Google Maps as it incorrectly places our site in Exshaw where our postal mail is delivered).

Other information available on our website

- Homesickness and Preparing for Camp
- Safety and Risk Management
- Communicating with Your Camper
- Camper Medical Information (including medications) and Transportation at CampFax Family Zone*

*Your camper’s details must be entered into Family Zone at least 2 weeks before your child starts camp

Questions?

Please contact Anja Vreeker or our registration office if you have questions about these programs or what to pack.

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