

# Sangamon! Packing List

**Note: laundry is sent out once a week. Send older clothes - the laundry is a bit rough on clothing. Remember: kids don't always keep track of their things, and some items may not come home!**

## **Important Items:**

daypack  
leakproof water bottle  
flashlight (can be a headlamp)  
waterproof(!) raincoat

## **General Items:**

8 pairs of underwear  
8 t-shirts  
2 or 3 pairs of shorts  
2 long pants or jeans  
8 pairs of socks (they'll almost all get lost!)  
1 long-sleeved shirt  
1 or 2 sweatshirts or fleece sweaters  
2 swimsuits  
2 sets of sleeping apparel (pajamas or boxers or... as he prefers)  
Sleeping bag (not warmer than 30 degrees or he won't be able to be inside on most nights)  
Pillow with 2 cases  
Laundry bag – mesh is good  
Rain/sun hat or baseball hat – name inside please. (Red Sox preferred, Yankees tolerated, others welcome)  
Sneakers or closed-toed running shoes (for running around games)  
Rain shoes – waterproof/ odor proof shoes. Crocs or the like.  
Hike/bike shoes – good off-road shoes or hiking boots.

Let's talk about shoes for a minute because this has gotten a little more complicated over the years! We recommend one pair of sneakers, one pair of good off-road shoes or hiking boots and one pair of either sandals, Crocs, Keens or the like. Some shoes may answer more than one of these needs, but at the end of the day please make sure your child has at least one pair of closed toed shoes that can do some serious playing and adventuring. Keep in mind that shoes may get wet and some activities require close-toed shoes. Only bringing flip flops to camp will exclude your child from a lot of the fun!

## **Toiletries: with some kind of carrying container**

3 towels	Comb or hairbrush
2 face cloths	Deodorant
Soap with a case	Fingernail clippers and some skill using them
Toothpaste and toothbrush	Sunscreen

## **Nice to have:**

Headlamp, bug net, sunglasses, camera, fishing tackle, tennis racket, lacrosse stick, ball glove, non-amplified musical instruments, books.

## **Leave this stuff at home!**

Cellphones, electronic games, any internet connection device, any device that stores movies, TV shows, etc. Don't bring very expensive fishing rods and tennis rackets, small/easily lost cameras or other items that you care about which can get broken or lost in a rustic environment.

\* We also "**recommend against**" pocket knives (sheath knives are banned entirely). They are not needed at camp and we will supply knives for crafts. See parent's letter for more details on restricted use.

**Don't be afraid to ask!** We've all had the experience of thinking everything is in the bag only to arrive and realize we forgot something at home. Please encourage your child to speak up if something is forgotten we will gladly help!