



COOL WEATHER PACKING FOR EBERSOLE (OVERNIGHT)

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Below is a checklist – and some tips – to help make sure campers have everything they will need. Being prepared is the first step towards having the best camp experience possible! This checklist is only a guide. Campers may not need everything listed. If you are coming with a group please be sure to check with the trip organizer for specific items they may want campers to bring.

Most camp activities are outside – **rain, shine, sleet, or snow** – and the camp experience is much more enjoyable when campers are dressed and prepared for Michigan’s unpredictable weather. Plan ahead and understand that the weather might change drastically even during a short trip.

PACKING TIPS

- 1) Label Everything. Include first and last name on everything campers bring to camp. Old clothes and shoes are quite the style at camp. Campers will get dirty and wet.
- 2) Do not pack anything of value. Things get lost, damaged, and/or borrowed while at camp. Campers are responsible for everything they bring.
- 3) Think layers. Michigan weather is unpredictable and can change drastically day to day, especially depending on the season. In the winter, layered clothing is very important to staying comfortable.

WINTER PACKING CHECKLIST

- sleeping bag or sheets and blanket
- pillow (one pillow, please)
- towel
- toothbrush and toothpaste
- soap (in a container or bag)
- shampoo
- deodorant
- comb or brush
- socks (at least 2 per day)
- underwear (send extra)
- reusable water bottle
- feminine products

- sweatshirts or other warm shirts
- shirts (enough for stay)
- two pairs of long pants
- sleepwear

Optional Items:

- books, magazines
- pencil, notebook

Winter Specific Items :

- winter hat and/or scarf
- winter gloves
- winter coat (if you don't have a warm coat please let your teacher know)
- snow pants (you can also layer multiple pairs of pants to help keep warm and dry)
- winter boots (if you don't have boots plan on layering 2 or 3 pairs of socks when you're outside)

A Special Note about Cell Phones and Electronic Screens

We strive to make camp a place for slowing down, “unplugging” from our devices, and for being more fully engaged with those around us. Campers are not allowed to have cell phones or other electronic screens at camp. While it may seem counter-intuitive, we have found that campers who bring cell phones have a harder time adjusting at camp and can have more difficulty with homesickness. A large part of camp is learning to be independent and you can help your camper succeed by making sure they do not bring a cell phone or other electronic device. However, if you would like your camper to have a phone for traveling purposes we will gladly keep it locked in the office until departure day. Please just let us know if we should expect your camper to have one.