



# Essential summer camp information

## Packing guidelines

### PLEASE READ

We recommend **two bags only**: a suitcase for clothing and a large duffel bag for a sleeping bag and pillow. No loose items please.

- + **When getting bedding and sleeping bags out of storage**, we recommend using one of the following methods to eliminate the possibility that any bugs or eggs may have made a home over the winter months: place items in a clothes dryer on high heat for 30 minutes, vacuum, or clean with soap and water or an alcohol-based cleaning product.
- + **A “stuff” bag or duffel bag for your child’s sleeping bag and pillow is a must.** A rolled sleeping bag always comes unravelled when walking through camp. Your child’s pillow also needs to be stored in the duffel bag.
- + **Place toiletries in a type of plastic bag or kit** that makes it easy to travel to the showers. This also reduces the chance of spilling.
- + **Make sure your child’s name is on all items.**
- + **Pack together with your child.** This allows your child to know where everything is and to develop a sense of responsibility.
- + **We recommend packing all clothes in a heavy gauge garbage bag**, squeezing air out, twisting shut, and then placing bag into luggage. In a separate bag, pack bedding the same way. Include some extra bags for dirty laundry.
- + **Bring any medications in their original packaging with you** to registration and check them in with a health officer on Opening Day. **Please do not pack medications in your child’s luggage!**
- + **Identification tags on your bags is required with:** Child’s name, home address, parent cell number, and email  
It is a good idea to place an identification tag inside your baggage as well.  
**Make your bags visually distinctive so they are easier to find at pick up or if misplaced.**



### PACK

- Pajamas, underwear, and extra socks
- Warm jacket or sweatshirt, hat, and rain coat/poncho
- Modest one-piece swimsuit, beach towel, and sunscreen
- Two pairs of shoes (one pair closed-toe)
- Towel, wash cloth, toiletries, and comb or brush
- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Flashlight
- Water bottle
- Backpack
- Bible, notebook, and pen
- Shorts, t-shirts, long pants, and long-sleeved shirts
- Bug spray with DEET
- Disposable camera (optional)
- Engage:** Shorts, shirt, and shoes for Crud Wars
- Extra trash bags for dirty laundry
- Our summer theme is:  
Ultimate Adventure
- Wacky Wednesday outfits/accessories (grades 1–6)
- A desire to have **fun!**



### DO NOT PACK

- No food**
- No valuables**
- No weapons or firearms**
- No non-prescription or over-the-counter medications**
- No spending money** (add to account prior to arrival)
- No gaming devices, iPods or other MP3 players, radios, CD players, etc.**
- No cell phones or pagers**

### Special items for major programs

- SpringHill provides safety gear and equipment for most programs, although children are welcome to bring their own. For certain programs, children may need to bring special equipment or apparel, including the following:
- + **Horses:** At least two pairs of jeans or long pants and closed-toe shoes are required. Hard-soled shoes or boots are preferred.
  - + **TST:** Bring a hat, jeans, closed toed shoes, long sleeves

## Check-in

### Grades 1–3 Explore

#### Sunday

- 2:00–3:30 Go to Lodge
- 4:00 Parent Orientation—Connection Tent

### Grades 4–6 Ignite

#### Sunday

- 2:00–3:30 Go to Lodge
- 4:00 Parent Orientation—Connection Tent

### Grades 6–9 Engage

#### Sunday

- 3:00–4:30 Go to Lodge
- 4:00 Parent Orientation—Connection Tent

### Grades 9–12 Teen Service Team (TST)

#### Sunday

- 3:00–4:30 Go to Lodge
- 4:00 Parent Orientation—Connection Tent
- Saturday (June 1 and July 6)**
- 6:00–6:30 Go to Lodge

### Camper release

On Opening Day, you or the adult who drops your child off is required to list everyone authorized to pick up your child on Closing Day. These are the only individuals permitted to complete the check-out process and pick up your child (picture ID required). This process is required by State Law for your child’s protection.

## Friday Check-out

### All grades

- 11:00 **Check-out**—Turning Point Lodge  
Pro tip: Come at 11am and pick up your child’s luggage before the Big Rally.
- 12:00 **Big Rally**—Amphitheatre
- 12:30 **Mini Rallies**  
Pro tip: If you have a child at more than one rally, go to the 1–6 grade rally first.
- 1:00 **Summer cookout celebration**—The whole family is invited to a festive picnic meal (weather permitting).

### Camper release

Children are released after the rallies. Only the individuals listed during the Opening Day process are permitted to complete the check-out process and pick up their child (picture ID required).