



**A Small Summer Camp**  
**Simple Living Close to Nature**  
Richland Center, Wisconsin  
[www.campwoodbrooke.org](http://www.campwoodbrooke.org)

## Young Camper Clothing and Equipment List

Please be sure all belongings are marked with the camper's initials or name. This will allow someone who finds a stray item to return it to its owner. An itemized list attached to the camper's bin can be a helpful reference for both campers and counselors.

To decrease Camp Woodbrooke's water and electricity use and minimize strain on the laundry crew, campers' clothing or bedding will be laundered only if particularly soiled (with the exception of masks). Campers should expect to wear some articles of clothing more than once.

### **Sleeping Gear** (*Children sleep better in a made-up bed. This is also a health standard.*)

mosquito-netting - it's buggy!

(we recommend [Coghlan's 32x78 Bed Net](#))

2 blankets

2 sheets (bottom & top) for a standard twin bed

pillow and pillowcase(s)

absorbent/water-proof mattress cover or pad

(mattresses are provided, but they are plastic-covered. A mattress pad can make them cozier and help absorb perspiration)

\*sleeping bag (for 2wk session, overnight campout)

### **Clothing/Apparel** (*Old clothes that can get dirty are recommended.*)

t-shirts

long sleeved shirts

sweatshirt, fleece, or sweater

jacket

raincoat or poncho

swimsuit

plain white T-shirt (*to silk-screen with Woodbrooke logo*)

5-10 washable face-masks

shorts

jeans/hiking pants

socks

underwear

pajamas

hat with brim

bandana

personal hand-sanitizer

1 pair old, ragged shoes/sneakers (*for creek walks & other wet activities*)

1 pair sturdy shoes or hiking boots for hiking

1 pair sneakers for everyday use (*Crocs, sandals, flip-flops, etc. do NOT substitute for sneakers.*)

### **Toiletries/Shower Items**

Towel for swimming and bathing, wash cloth

soap and shampoo

toothbrush and paste

insect repellent - NON-aerosol/spray

sunblock - SPF 30 or higher

### **Equipment**

\*backpack (*to hold sleeping bag*)

comb/brush

water bottle

laundry bag

flashlight and batteries



### **Optional**

favorite cuddly animal

stationery or note cards

stamped, pre-addressed envelopes

books

shoes that can get wet

musical instrument

journal

pocketknife

camera

rain boots for wet mornings

### **Notes**

\* Items above marked with an asterisk are for two-week sessions only.

Camp Woodbrooke is a place to listen to and learn from nature. Any electronic items which arrive with campers will be stored in a secure place until the end of the camp session. Additionally, please leave at home all food, candy, soda and gum because they attract wild animals.



## **Packing**

Involving your camper in the packing process will minimize stress for your camper during his/her stay at Camp Woodbrooke. Help your camper organize and pack clothing, supplies and gear in a way that makes sense to the camper. What follows are some recommendations which may help.

Some items are best packed separately because they will be put to use immediately upon arrival. Specifically, toiletries/shower items will be stowed in the shower house where each camper will have a cubby (about 10 in wide by 5 in. deep). Beds will need to be made up and mosquito netting hung. A bag with personal items such as books, journal, stationery, stuffed animal and flashlight can be placed on the camper's made-up bed. A backpack can be pre-packed with the two-week session's campout.

Clothing is best stored in sturdy, rigid containers which protect their contents from water and humidity while deterring critters from burrowing. Because the cabins have limited storage space, please choose small or medium size containers, less than 18 inches high, that can slide under the bunks. (Width and length matter less but remember that they will share the space under their twin-bunk bed with another camper, so respecting that limitation is important.)

Organizing clothing in some way can help campers get ready each morning. Some campers prefer to find like items stored together. Other campers, especially younger campers, do best when a day's entire outfit has been packed as a unit with socks, underwear, shirt and shorts/pants all rolled together.

Please remind your camper that wet, damp, or extremely soiled items should NOT be placed in the containers with clean clothing. We ask that each camper bring a laundry bag for dirty clothing. Counselors will help ensure that campers use clotheslines to dry wet items.

Pocket knives will be stored in the office and brought out for use during supervised activities. Please keep pocket knives accessible for easy-access at check-in.

## **Clothing**

Old clothes are recommended because most camp activities are held outdoors. Campers get wet and dirty on a daily basis! With chances of an occasional rain storm and heavy dew each morning, rain boots would be helpful.

## **Mosquito Netting**

When hung over a sleeping area, bar mosquito netting resembles a box. There are 4-6 ties attached which are used to suspend the netting over the sleeping area. Generally, campers do not need netting. However, if conditions are just right, there can be mosquitoes for a 3 or 4 day period, in which case mosquito netting helps ensure good sleeping conditions. Even without the presence of mosquitoes, some children appreciate the coziness of sleeping under netting. Camp will have a few mosquito nets available for a suggested donation. Quantities are limited, so please arrange in advance. ([Coghlan's 32x78 Bed Net](#))

## **Insect repellent (NON-aerosol/spray)**

Roll-on or liquid repellent is preferred because it reduces the risk of repellent getting in someone's eyes. Camp Woodbrooke follows Wisconsin Department of Health Services' precautions concerning the control of Lyme Disease and recommends that campers use "Insect repellents containing 0.5% permethrin or 20-30% DEET." Clothing pre-treated with repellent adds an additional layer of protection. Campers wear long pants, a long-sleeved shirt, and a hat when hiking. We also conduct regular tick checks with each camper.

## **Camping Equipment (for two-week sessions)**

A lightweight sleeping bag which can be rolled into a small bundle is easiest for young campers to manage. Choose a backpack into which the camper is able to stuff a sleeping bag for two-week session campouts. Sturdy shoes or hiking boots are required and make for safer hiking.

## **Stamped, pre-addressed Envelopes**

Providing stamped, pre-addressed envelopes makes writing letters easier for campers and more likely to happen.