

CALVIN CREST OUTDOOR SCHOOL

SUGGESTED CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT LIST

The weather at Calvin Crest is often unpredictable, ranging from warm, sunny days to very cold, wet evenings. During some weeks of Outdoor Education we are certain to have rain and snow. Since we spend time outdoors on these days regardless of weather, it is very important for students to be well prepared for a variety of weather conditions.

WHAT TO BRING TO CALVIN CREST:

- Sleeping bag (or sheets and 2 blankets) and pillow
- Shoes (at least 2 pairs of comfortable, closed-toe shoes – tennis shoes are fine, boots are great for cold, wet weather)
- Socks (thick and warm in winter; minimum of 5 pairs, more are desirable and recommended)
- Warm clothing (nights are often chilly, days can be cold)
- Sturdy pants (minimum of 3 pairs of jeans or rain or snow pants in winter; shorts are *not* allowed during classes)
- Shirts (minimum 1 per day)
- Underwear
- Warm jacket
- Sweatshirt/sweater
- Towel and washcloth
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrush, etc.)
- Rain gear (rubber boots and ponchos are recommended; boots are available at Calvin Crest to borrow; ponchos are available at our cost through our store – approximately \$1.25) **Check the weather forecast!**
- Sunglasses
- Chapstick
- Refillable water bottle, canteen, or hydration pack – **ESSENTIAL!**
- Plastic garbage bag for dirty clothes

WHAT IS OPTIONAL TO BRING TO CALVIN CREST:

- Non-phone camera with fresh batteries (and extra film if your camera is not digital)
- Flashlight with fresh batteries
- Spending money if the school has decided to use the store (see our website for costs of items in the store)
- Hat or cap (warm hats or beanies are very helpful in cold temperatures)
- Gloves or mittens during the winter
- Writing materials (paper, pen, pencil, stamps, envelopes, etc.)
- Umbrella for rainy weather
- Hair dryers (*Due to potential fire hazard, curling irons and straighteners are not acceptable.*)
- Watch or alarm clock
- Binoculars
- Suggested for Cabin Leaders: Travel mug, watch and alarm clock

WHAT NOT TO BRING TO CALVIN CREST:

- CELL PHONES**, video games, MP3 players/iPods, CD players, radios
- Gum, candy, food of any kind (exceptions for diabetic students - dietary needs should be arranged in advance)
- Sandals, open-toed shoes (except sandals brought to be worn in the shower - optional)
- Valuables (expensive jewelry, cameras, etc.)
- Tobacco products, drugs, alcoholic beverages (**see below)
- Pocket knife or weapons OF ANY KIND (**see below)

****IF ANY STUDENT OR CABIN LEADER is caught with a weapon, or illegal substances in his/her possession: the weapon/substance will be confiscated and the Madera County Sheriff's Department will be contacted. The individual will be removed from Calvin Crest and may be arrested and prosecuted, as it is against the law to have a weapon or illegal substance on a school site.**

*All clothing and equipment should be marked with the student's name. Calvin Crest is not responsible for lost or stolen belongings.