

GENERAL PACKING

--All Scouts are required to have a hard sided, rectangular camp trunk. More details can be found in the next section.

--Normally, ALL of a Scout's gear MUST be packed into a camp trunk. Keep this in mind when looking for a trunk to purchase.

--As mentioned, this year, the trip to/from will be done in two days. As such, the Scouts will need to keep their sleeping bag, sleeping pad, and their daypack packed with items needed for travelling (outlined below) separate from their trunk.

CAMP TRUNK

--Camp trunks come in a variety of sizes and styles. Construction of durable plastic (lighter, water & Scout (mostly) proof), built in wheels, handles, sturdy latching system with locking capabilities) are all strongly recommended features.

--Size should not exceed 55 gallon capacity (LxWxH = cubic inch, 232 cubic inches = 1 gallon) 31"x16"x24.5" is common

*****Your scout will need to haul his trunk to/from the parking lot so please keep in mind weight and size*****

--Amazon, Academy, and Walmart are great places to purchase

--Sterilite is one of the most common seen brands; specifically their model# 18429001

PACKING FOR THE TRIP TO/FROM CAMP

--As mentioned, the Scouts may be sleeping on the ground in a large room and should be prepared accordingly.

--Scout's should arrive at Scout hut on the day of departure as follows:

> Dressed in tan field uniform shirt* with Troop T-shirt underneath, Troop Hat, scout shorts, scout belt, scout socks, & hiking boots

*Scouts will be allowed to take scout shirt off once in van

> Packed camp trunk (Scouts will not have access to their trunks when travelling)

> Sleeping bag and pad should be strapped together and their name should be written clearly on them.

> Scout's day pack should be packed with the following (which can be taken from the list above):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Toiletries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Change socks & underwear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -An extra troop T-shirt (just in case they cannot wear the same one again) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Sleeping Clothes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Sack lunch |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Waterbottle |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Enough money for travel meals (See below for more information) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | -Any other items needed during car trip (i.e. electronic devices, chargers, games, cards, etc.) |

--We will instruct what Scout's need to pack for the return trip to Houston

NOTES ABOUT CLOTHING & SANITATION

--While at camp, Scouts will be expected to dress accordingly with the weather and as follows:

>Arrival, Morning Colors & Dinner: Tan Field Uniform shirt, Scout shorts/pants, Scout Socks, Scout belt, Hiking Boots, and Troop Hat

>Day Activities & Lunch: Troop T-shirt, Scout shorts/pants*, Scout Socks, Scout belt, Hiking Boots, and Troop Hat (*unless swimming)

--This is summer camp; Scouts are going to get dirty and that's OK!

--For sanitary reasons, Scouts will be expected to change certain items of clothing daily (i.e. socks and underwear). However, other items of clothing can be used multiple times i.e. troop t-shirts, shorts / pants.

--BATHING:

>The camp does have shower facilities and will be run in accordance to BSA's Youth Protection Guidelines

>Though we can not force Scout's to shower daily; they will be strongly encouraged to and as the smell grows stronger, so will the encouragement!!!

MEALS TO / FROM CAMP

TO CAMP

SAT LUNCH: Sack lunch from home

SAT DINNER: Provided by Troop (Fried Chicken dinner)

SUN BREAKFAST: Bring money to purchase on road

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FROM CAMP:

Scout's will need to bring money to cover all meals on the way home (Friday dinner, Sat breakfast, and Sat lunch)

PERSONAL MONEY

--Scout's MUST HAVE money to cover food / snacks while traveling. They MAY also want to bring money for in-camp purchases at the Trading post

*****PLEASE***** Talk to your Scout(s) about the following:

--Let them know how much should / is set aside for each category (else risk them spending on candy at the first bathroom stop!!!)

--Keeping track of their money and in a safe place they can remember

--All of this is especially important for first time campers

-- REMAND THEM THAT A SCOUT IS THRIFTY

--A good way to help them with money management on the trip is the envelope system.

--RECOMMENDED AMOUNTS

\$75-125 IN TOTAL ... BROKEN OUT AS FOLLOWS:

MEALS: \$5-10 PER MEAL

ON ROAD SNACKS: \$5 PER DAY

IN CAMP PURCHASES: \$25-50 TOTAL