## OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

WHAT TO PACK FOR CAMP

Sleeping bag or Blankets- the nights get chilly!
Twin Size Sheets
Pillow
Clothes for 4 days and 3 nights
Warm clothes for chilly mornings and evenings
Underwear for 3 days
Comfortable Closed Toed Shoes
Old Closed Toed Shoes for Canoeing or other Messy/Wet Activities
Shower Shoes/Flip Flops
Swim suit & Towel
Sweatshirt or jacket and rain gear
Towels and washcloths
Soap, toothbrush, and toiletries
Flashlight (extra batteries, if you have them)
Camera
Bug spray
Sunscreen
Check your camp letter for any specific camp or themed related items to bring to camp.

## TIPS ON PACKING FOR PARENTS

Living out of a suitcase is a new experience for most campers. Space is limited in the cabins; so getting organized at home can make living at camp a lot happier. Here are some ideas:

- 1) Pack clothes in matched sets. Shorts and tops for each day packed together saves a lot of time rummaging through the suitcases.
- 2) Pack plastic garbage bag and explain that all dirty clothes are to go there, keeping the clean clothes clean.
- 3) At camp, we walk to the showers, so packing shower things carefully saves a lot of "forgot something" trips back to the cabin. Put toothbrush, soap, shampoo, etc., in a small plastic bucket or bag so these things can easily be carried to the shower. Do not send anything in glass (breakable) container.
- 4) Go over with your camper what everything they're taking looks like. Better yet, label it with their name. Many things get left in "Lost & Found" because the owner doesn't recognize it! (Especially towels)
- 5) It is not necessary or advisable to bring a suitcase or trunk that locks. Nine times out of ten, a camper will either lock the keys in the trunk or lose the keys. Making it necessary to break into the suitcase. If a camper feels they have something valuable, they would (a) leave it home; or (b) ask to lock it up in the Staff Cabin.
- 6) Please remember we are not responsible for lost or damaged items. Please refer to the camp letters/forms for what is allowed and not allowed at camp.



