

CAMP KANUGA RESIDENTIAL CAMP: 6-DAY STARTER CAMP PACKING LIST

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Check-In/Linen Bag

Upon arrival to camp, the Kanuga staff will carry your trunk to your cabin. You will arrive to your cabin before your trunk does. Please pack a “linens” bag during check-in to take to your cabin as you will not have access to your luggage for at least 45 minutes. This is a good time to make up the bunk while you wait for the rest of the luggage. This bag should include: twin fitted sheet, twin top sheet, pillow, sleeping bag and a blanket.

Costumes and Color Games

Campers who attend Starter Camps will either get a chance to attend Kanuga’s County Fair or Color Games. For County Fair you are encouraged to bring overalls, a straw hat, old pair of jeans, bandanas or other clothing that fit this theme. For Color Games bring red, yellow, blue, and green clothing so your camper can dress according to their team’s assigned color.

Laundry Bag and Laundry Service

Unlike full sessions of camp there is no “laundry service” for Starter Campers. Although, if a camper has an accident or needs their sleeping bag, sheets or clothing items washed we will do this for them.

Trunk

It is suggested that you bring all your items in a trunk. Clothing is better protected and organized in a trunk than in a duffel bag. Trunks can also be used as places to sit, apply camp stickers and have your new camp friends autograph. Ideal dimensions for trunks are: 32”L x 18”W x 14”H. If you cannot acquire a trunk, a regular suitcase will work just as well.

Food

DO NOT BRING or send food of any kind. Many of our campers have **severe and life-threatening allergies** to many different food items. We want to do everything we can to ensure a safe and healthy experience for all of our campers.

Bring mail and packages on Opening Day of camp

All campers’ mail comes through the Kanuga Conferences central mail distribution center. Due to the mail system here at Kanuga, mail may take 3 extra days to be delivered. **This especially effects Starter Campers.** The easiest way to ensure your camper receives their mail is to pre-write your letters or pre-pack packages and bring them with you on Opening Day. We will have mailboxes available for you to drop off letters/packages during check-in. Each day of the session will have its own mailbox. The camp store will also be open to purchase items to place in the bins.

Starter Campers will receive mail on Day 2, Day 3, Day 4 and Day 5.

PACKING CHECKLIST

Clothing

- Shirts (7)
- Shorts (5)
- Jeans (1)
- Belt (1)
- Jacket (1)
- Socks (7)
- Sweatshirts (1)
- Underwear (7)
- Pajamas (1)
- Swimsuits (1) **One-piece only**
- Raincoat (1)

Label all clothing and personal items with a Sharpie!

Footwear

- Tennis shoes/sneakers (2 pair)
- Sandals with ankle strap (1 pair)

Toiletries

- Shower caddy
- Tooth brush
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Body soap/wash

Gear and Equipment

- Daypack/book bag (1)
- Sleeping bag (1)
- Sheets (fitted, twin)
- Pillow (1)
- Pillowcases (1)
- Heavy blankets (1)
- Bath or beach towels (2)
- Flashlight/Head Lamp and batteries
- Laundry Bag (washable mesh)
- **Canteen/water bottle (2)**

Other Non-Clothing Items

- Bible
- Books
- Addressed, envelopes, stamps
- Journal and Pen
- Deck Cards

Other

- Travel-size sunscreen
- Travel-size Bug spray

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Cell phones, iPods or other portable music players, **computers, video games**, electric devices, two-piece bathing suits, food, pets, revealing and offensive clothing, firearms, fireworks, sheathed knives, inappropriate music or magazines. Kanuga will not be responsible for damaged or stolen jewelry and other valuables. The camp will provide all sports and safety equipment; campers should leave theirs at home.

CELL PHONES

Camp is a unique environment. During the camp experience, youth develop life skills including independence and self-reliance. We respect and appreciate the wonderful relationship youth and families have, but if campers are to enjoy camp fully they must be able to develop this independence.

Hiding Cell Phones: We appreciate that most families will honor our request and support our reasoning for not allowing cell phones at camp. We also recognize that some families may feel that hiding a cell phone in camper luggage is OK. Keep in mind that by doing this YOU are teaching your campers that it is OK to break the rules as well as creating a level of distrust between the camper and counselor. If you are unable to send your camper to camp without a cell phone then you or your camper may not be ready for the camp experience.