Traveling Players

Packing List Summer 2027



PACKING:

- Storage space is limited in the rooms – please pack efficiently.
- Clothing should be packed in a **trunk or large tupperware**, and linens can be packed in a duffel bag or large backpack (to be used for the weekly tent overnight).
  - **Other Trunk Option**
- SHAKESPEARE TROUPE & CAMPERS STAYING FOR 6 WEEKS – will have a bit more space to store stuff

LAUNDRY:

- Laundry will happen once after 12 days of camp
  - MYTHOLOGY ENSEMBLE, COMEDY ENSEMBLE – JESTERS, and ACT: FIVE will **NOT** do laundry
- Detergent can be purchased at the camp store (saves space!).
  - If you want to bring your own, pack either powdered or solid detergent; no liquid or pods with liquid – thanks!
- Never done your laundry before? We'll teach you!

REMINDERS:

- Permanently label each article of clothing, shoes, & personal items
- Rehearsals are outdoors and very movement-based (think soccer practice. You want a full range of motion while feeling comfortable).
- Indoors can get chilly - we only have so much control over the AC.
- **Clothing WILL get dirty.** Please dress accordingly.
- **All listed items are REQUIRED** unless otherwise noted.
- **ACT: FIVE** campers will need fewer clothing items. We recommend 1-2 more articles of clothing than the number of days you are at camp. (example – you'll be at camp for 4 days so bring 5-6 pairs of shorts)

CLOTHING

- [ ] **Large Laundry Bag**
- [ ] **13 pairs of underwear**
- [ ] **13 pairs non-cotton socks**
  Wool or synthetic will keep your feet happy. (Weak ankles? Make sure 10 pairs are for your hiking boots; otherwise, 6 of them.)
- [ ] **6-7 sports bras**
- [ ] **3 pants**
  Recommend breathable, lightweight, hardy. If bringing jeans, PLEASE bring a pair of hiking pants/athletic leggings as well.
- [ ] **8-12 shorts**
  Recommend breathable, lightweight, hardy, zip-offs, and skorts are great!
- [ ] **10-13 t-shirts/tank tops**
- [ ] **3 long-sleeve shirts**
  At least one should be lightweight or polyester that can be worn to keep the sun off of you while canoeing.
- [ ] **PJs to sleep in**
- [ ] **RAINCOAT - not a poncho**
- [ ] **2 fleeces/sweatshirts/vests**
- [ ] **1 or 2 Swimsuits**
- [ ] **HIKING BOOTS**
  "High hikers," generally have 2 hooks above the laces, must cover the ankles and keep them from rolling.
- [ ] **Sneakers or Low Hikers**
- [ ] **Water Shoes**
  *Used for both river activities and showers. These are great options. Old sneakers are a cheap, suitable option for the river. Crocs are **NOT** acceptable for the river, but perfectly fine for shower shoes.*

BEDDING

- [ ] **Sleeping Bag with Stuff Sack**
  You will be in a tent once a week!
- [ ] **Sleeping Pad**
- [ ] **Pillow**
- [ ] **1-2 Pillowcases**
- [ ] **1 Bath Towel**
- [ ] **1 Beach Towel**
- [ ] **1-2 Washcloths**
- [ ] **Teddy Bear**
- [ ] **1-2 sets of Twin Sheets**

TOILETRES

- [ ] **Vitamins & Medicine**
  To be passed off during check-in. Enough for your whole stay, still in the bottles with your name, dosage, etc. All in a labeled Ziploc bag
- [ ] **Toothbrush**
- [ ] **Deoderant**
- [ ] **Dental Floss**
- [ ] **Shampoo/Conditioner**
- [ ] **Face Wash**
- [ ] **Pads, Tampons, etc.**
- [ ] **Brush/Comb**
- [ ] **Contact Lens stuff plus a small mirror**
- [ ] **Toothpaste**
- [ ] **Dopp kit, bag, or bucket to carry toiletries**
- [ ] **Tick Repellent**
  Some do best with DEET (effective, but intense - please don't get aerosol)
- [ ] **Sunscreen**

Tips from Jeanne!

- To bee or not to bee? If you smell like a flower, the bees will try to pollinate you. Lavender, strawberries & cream, oatmeal & honey = all bad ideas! Bugs and bees will LOVE you! Instead, choose unscented, powder fresh, etc.
- Pre-treat your summer wardrobe with Sawyer's Permethrin (spray, let dry, good for 6 weeks/washings). I treat boots and socks in addition to shorts, shirts, etc. I get 2 bottles each summer, then rarely need additional repellent. I prefer chemicals to go on my clothes, not my skin

ACTOR ESSENTIALS

- ☐ **Journal for rehearsal**
- ☐ **Pencils - NOT pens!**
- ☐ **Show Shoes - more below***
- ☐ **2 tank tops**
  White or actor's skin-tone; to be worn under your costume
- ☐ **Spandex shorts**
  Black or actor's skin-tone; to be worn under costume
- ☐ **Lipstick**
  2-3 shades darker than natural lips; ***regardless of gender***
- ☐ **Black or Brown Eyeliner**
  liquid or pencil is fine; ***regardless of gender***
- ☐ **Mascara**
  regardless of gender

ACTOR SHOES

- **Thespian Ensemble, Shakespeare Ensemble, & Shakespeare Troupe**
  - Black dress shoes, flats, or character shoes (bring if you own, don't purchase) If character shoes have a heel, it should not exceed 2.5"
- **Mythology Ensemble**
  - Black, brown, or gold sandals
  - Should be comfortable and able to stay on your foot when spinning, running, cartwheeling, etc.
- **Comedy Ensemble**
  - Comfortable black shoes
  - **Costume:** Please bring black shorts/pants and a black shirt that can be worn during your performances
- **ACT: FIVE campers** - You only need a journal, pencils, and highlighters. If you would like to dress up for your showcase, you may pack a "Showcase Outfit," but please remember: it's camp. Clothes get dirty.

TECHNICIAN ESSENTIALS

- ☐ **Journal or sketchbook for notetaking and sketching**
- ☐ **Pencils**
- ☐ **2 black tops**
  Can be short-sleeved
- ☐ **2 Black bottoms**
  Can be shorts
- ☐ **Black shoes**
- ☐ **Work gloves**
- ☐ **Laptop or tablet to work on your digital portfolio.**
  All electronics are stored in the camp office when not in use for supervised class activities. Campers are required to have updated virus protection software and security updates on their devices when connecting to the Christchurch School network.

Tips from Jeanne!

Building props, sets, and costumes can get MESSY.
Technicians should expect to get paint on their clothes.
Please pack accordingly.

MISC ITEMS

- [ ] **2 reusable water bottles**
  Minimum 32 ounces
- [ ] **Headlamp with extra batteries**
  Please no handhelds - you need your hands free!
- [ ] **Daypack**
- [ ] **10 Disposable Masks (N95 or KN95)**
  Just in case
- [ ] **1-2 White Shirts (optional)**
  For tie-dye & color wars!
- [ ] **Camp Prom Outfit (optional)**
  NOT for Mythology Ensemble or Act: FIVE

OPTIONAL ITEMS

- [ ] **Hat**
- [ ] **Bandana**
- [ ] **Nail Clippers/File**
- [ ] **Letter Writing/Mailing Supplies**
- [ ] **1-2 Books**
- [ ] **Deck of Cards**
- [ ] **Personal Journal**
- [ ] **Mp3 Player/CDs**
- [ ] **Camera**
- [ ] **Sunglasses**
- [ ] **Personal Fan**
- [ ] **Goggles**
- [ ] **Arts & Crafts**
- [ ] **Rain Pants**
- [ ] **Personal Hobby Supplies**

PACKING FAQ

- **Where can I get gear that is good and cheap?**
  - We recommend **REI**, **REI Outlet**, **Campmor** (last year's colors often discounted), **Title Nine** (not cheap, but great for girls who are done growing – their stuff lasts at least a decade), and **TomboyX** (for trans/gnc-friendly swimwear)!
- **Items to leave at home:**
  - Food, cell phones, video players, **electronics that can connect to the internet***, and weapons of any kind (including pocket knives). We discourage you from bringing valuable personal items to camp. Traveling Players Ensemble is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged items.
  - *Campers who attend virtual therapy or are in the technical theatre should bring a computer, tablet or laptop. These devices will be stored in the camp office. Campers are required to have updated virus protection software and security updates on their devices when connecting to the Christchurch School network.
- **Want Traveling Players goodies?**
  - We have t-shirts ($15), sweatshirts ($40), tote bags ($20), water bottles ($20), and water bottle splash guards ($5). Order ahead of time on Ultracamp, and we'll deliver your goodies on the first day of camp!
- **Here's what goes in your car:**
  - [ ] **1 trunk or Tupperware**
  - [ ] **1 duffel bag/large backpack for linen and clothes**
  - [ ] **Daypack with pencils, highlighter, journal, FULL water bottle, etc.**
  - [ ] **Separate, and ready to pass off to staff:**
  - [ ] **Labeled ziploc with meds & vitamins/supplements**
  - [ ] **Labeled ziploc with phone**
  - [ ] **Labeled Ziploc with other electronics**