

Think Outside the Books

A Packing List for the Senior Fall Trip

Here's an adapted Aldo backpacking list. Since we will be car-camping, there is some latitude in our list—but please pack efficiently, as we have to get 20+ bags, along with our bodies, our food, & our cooking gear on the bus. Items with an asterisk (*) beside them are available on loan from the school. "Loaners" require that students offer collateral as a guarantee that items are returned in good condition.

o Back pack* or softside luggage (like a gym bag or a duffel) o 2-person tent* (larger tents are acceptable on this trip—but clear your tent plans with Avery or Pete before departure) o Halloween Costume (optional) o Lightweight sleeping bag in a stuff-sack*; should be rated 20 degrees or lower o Sleeping pad* o Cap with a brim o Rain poncho or raincoat and pants o At least one quart or liter water bottle (or Camelbak-style hydration system) o Headlamp or flashlight o Sturdy hiking/walking shoes o Sandals for camp are optional; my guess is that weather will be cold o 2 pair of socks o A warm jacket o A warm cap (& possibly gloves or mittens for early morning) o 2 long-sleeved shirts o 2 short-sleeved shirts o 2 pairs of pants o 1-2 pairs of shorts o Mess kit (sturdy bowl, cup, spoon, fork) o Trash bags (for wet clothes & to protect your sleeping bag) o Towel and washcloth o Bandana (optional) o Lighter (for fire-starting; optional) o Pocket knife with a 5-inch or shorter blade (optional) In addition, students should bring toiletries in a plastic bag: sunscreen, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, & deodorant.

Very important: students will need to bring a hearty sack lunch for the first day of the trip.

All students carry a journal, along with pens or pencils.