



MINNESOTA NATIONAL GUARD YOUTH CAMP

MNGYC Volunteer Packing List

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Clothes: Bring old destroyable items – you will get wet and dirty at camp

- _____ Shorts (8): Minimum 3-inch inseam, not see-through, or overly tight, and ensure sensitive body parts are covered while squatting, running, jumping, or performing other activities at camp.
- _____ Swimsuits (1): Females: One piece or tankini only
- _____ Pants/J Jeans (4) _____ Pajamas (2)
- _____ Socks (10 pair) _____ Underwear (8)
- _____ Light Jacket or Windbreaker _____ Tennis shoes (2-3): They will likely get wet
- _____ Sweatshirts/Long sleeved shirts (2-3): At least one with a hood
- _____ Water shoes for at the beach (1): Both toe and heel must be covered or have straps. NO CROCS.
- _____ Shirts (10): No tank tops, muscle shirts, spaghetti strap or bare midriff shirts. Ensure midriff is not exposed when lifting arms above head and are not see through when wet or dry.

Toiletry Items:

- _____ Bath Towel _____ Wash cloths/Loofah
- _____ Comb/Brush _____ Soap/Shampoo (in plastic containers)
- _____ Toothpaste/Toothbrush _____ Deodorant
- _____ Shower Sandals _____ Sanitary napkins/Tampons
- _____ Shaving Items
- _____ Plastic container to carry toiletry items to and from the bathroom

General Items:

- _____ Sleeping Bag _____ Pillow
- _____ Sheets for a twin bed (optional) _____ Rain Gear (no umbrellas)
- _____ Flashlight _____ Beach Towel
- _____ Phone/Camera _____ Leather Work Gloves (FLRC)
- _____ Sport strap for glasses/contact lens care items
- _____ Bike Helmet *Please bring a serviceable bike helmet with you. (Less than 5 years of manufacture date)

Optional Items:

- _____ Suitcase or duffel bag _____ Backpack (Overnight camp/daily needs)
- _____ Phone Charger _____ Softball Glove
- _____ Alarm _____ Squirt Guns (Lots of water fights at camp)
- _____ Stickers (to give to kids) _____ Pens/sharpiers
- _____ Games/Stories/Songs to share (You may be asked to lead these types of activities)
- _____ Laundry soap (Washers and dryers are available in billeting)
- _____ Insect repellant (If you want to use your own)
- _____ Sun screen (Colorless, if you want to use your own)
- _____ Military Volunteers: please bring your uniform for military day



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General Information:

Volunteers may not wear clothing that reference pornographic, contain threats, or that promote illegal or violent conduct such as the unlawful use of weapons, drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or drug paraphernalia, demonstrate hate group association/affiliation and/or use hate speech targeting groups based on race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, religious affiliation, or other protected groups.

Tobacco products & vapes are allowed, if 21 years old or older, but **NEVER** in front of campers.
(Junior Counselors are NOT ALLOWED to have these items.)

Drugs of any kind, including legal marijuana, are **NOT ALLOWED** on Camp Ripley.
(Even if legal in the State of Minnesota, you will be on a military base and these items are prohibited.)

Responsible alcohol consumption is permitted after hours, for those of legal drinking age (21). Overconsumption of alcohol is not permitted at any time. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages for volunteers under the age of 21 is strictly forbidden and is grounds for immediate dismissal from camp. Providing alcohol to any persons under the age of 21 is strictly forbidden and is grounds for immediate dismissal from camp.

Meals & lodging are provided by camp.

All volunteers are required to attend in-person training the Saturday prior to camp. Following training, you will be assigned to your team or activity and you will need to assist with set up. Reporting instructions will be sent out with more details prior to the start of camp.

It is recommended that you do not bring your camper with you the Saturday prior to camp as your time and full attention is needed for staff responsibilities. It is recommended that your camper be dropped off on Sunday according to the camper reporting instructions. A waiver will be required if you need to bring your camper with you the Saturday prior to camp starting. Please contact your Camp Director NLT 01 July.

Junior Counselors are not allowed to bring campers the night before camp.

In Billeting, your room will have Wi-Fi and Cable. You will also have access to a fridge for personal snacks.

You will be outside all week, rain or shine. Plan for it 😊

What NOT to bring to Camp:

****You may be asked to leave if these items are found****

Hair Spray (attracts bugs)	Medications (other than prescribed)
Knives or weapons of any kind	Fireworks
Matches, lighters, or candles	Sandals, CROCS or open toed shoes
Roller Blades/Skateboards/Bikes	Perfume or Cologne (attracts bugs)
Disposable cameras	Pets
Drugs	