

DMS FALL CAMPING TRIP GEAR LIST

Our camping trip this year will be the first week of school. We will have an education experience with a variety of environmental classes, art instruction, and team building. We expect it will provide a great kick-off to a fantastic school year, and we expect it to be a LOT of fun!

Location: Veteran's Memorial Park in Monterey, California

Veteran's Memorial Park is situated 1 mile from historic Downtown Monterey, 1.5 miles from the Monterey Aquarium, and 2 miles from the beach. We plan to visit all three locations during our 3-day trip.

Recommended Clothing

During September, the coastal areas are often 30 degrees cooler than the Santa Ynez Valley. Plan to dress in layers, especially at the ocean and in the evenings. Students will not be swimming in the ocean, but they may be outside in cool, damp conditions.

WHEN: Students will arrive at school on Wednesday, September 1 at the regular time, 7:55 AM. Departure will occur after we are all packed up.

WHAT TO BRING:

- A snack and hearty lunch are needed for the drive up on Wednesday
- Large water bottle...very important
- Tent if you have one...including rain fly and ground cloth (7th/8th grade)
- Sleeping bag or bed roll
- Small pillow
- Pad to place under sleeping bag (small, thin pad...not a large one or inflatable)
- Comfortable, closed toe hiking shoes (boots are not required)
- 2 T-shirts
- 1 Sweatshirt
- 1 Pair shorts
- 1 Pair long pants or sweats
- Jacket for evening...it will be cold
- Pajamas or sweats for sleeping
- 2 Underwear and 2 Pairs socks
- Personal toiletries: soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, etc.
- Towel and washcloth
- Sunscreen
- Flashlight
- Binoculars (optional)
- Hat or visor and sunglasses are recommended
- Fun stuff for free time (Frisbee, playing cards, camera)

Please do not pack more than these items. Space is always tight. A duffle bag is the ideal way to pack. Suitcases don't work well in small tents. Organizing clothes in Zip-Lock bags works well.

NAMES MUST BE ON EVERY ITEM including sleeping bags, covers, pillows, tents, socks, shoes, towels, and hats (the items most commonly lost).

NO ELECTRONIC DEVICES, INCLUDING CELL PHONES, ARE ALLOWED WITH ANY CHILD. All teachers will have cell phones for emergencies.