

# WHAT TO BRING

The following is a list of recommended items for campers to bring to camp with them. Please make sure to label all your camper's items, including clothing, to ensure that they take home all items that belong to them.

Firwood is not responsible for items that may be lost or stolen during your camper's week at Firwood.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible                       | <b>Camp-Appropriate Clothes:</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pen/Pencil                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Activewear, layers, closed toed shoes and sandals               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Journal                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Rain jacket   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping bag and pillow     | <input type="checkbox"/> Modest swimwear   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towel                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Extra shoes and long pants (if playing paintball)               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries                  | <b>Optional:</b>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight and batteries    | <input type="checkbox"/> Sheet for mattress (36"x75")                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle                | <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic tote with sealed lid for any snacks                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen and bug repellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-formal outfit for a themed "fancy" dinner (MS and HS only) |

## WHAT NOT TO BRING

In order for us to provide the best experience possible during your camper's week, we require that campers do not bring the following items with them to camp:

- Electronic devices (phones, tablets, smartwatches) are not allowed during camp
- Illegal drugs (including marijuana), alcohol, tobacco or electronic cigarettes, vapes
- Weapons (including pocket knives)
- Fireworks
- Explicit paraphernalia
- Valuable items that you do not want lost or stolen

## CAMPER MAIL & CARE PACKAGES

We encourage sending goodies and notes to your camper! However, we WILL NOT be able to facilitate any mail (whether via USPS, UPS, FedEx, or Amazon), nor will we be able to take in-person deliveries mid-week. To ensure all notes and packages are distributed, we ask that any "mail" items be DROPPED OFF ON CHECK-IN DAY. There will be a "mailbox" available at registration.

Care packages can include any items that adhere to the What to Bring/What Not to Bring list above. Snacks (that do not include nuts) are welcome. If you send any food items, please ensure they arrive in a sealed, hard plastic container. (This will keep them safe from squirrels and other critters.)

**Please mark camper mail with:**

- First AND Last name
- Desired day for distribution

**Example:** Sally Smith (Wednesday)

# CHECK IN + CHECK OUT

## PRE-ARRIVAL

**TO SPEED UP THE CHECK-IN PROCESS ON OPENING DAY, PLEASE LOG INTO YOUR REGISTRATION PORTAL TO CONFIRM THE FOLLOWING:**

Click on "Continue Application" and select the session that your camper is attending.

Confirm that there is no balance due. All balances due must be paid prior to the start of the week.

Make sure that all forms have been completed. This includes the medical form, which lists all prescribed AND over-the-counter medications. Please double check that all medications including any new prescriptions are on the list.

All medications MUST be in their original packaging with the camper's name and dosage clearly marked.

## OPENING DAY CHECK-IN PROCESS

Check-In will be from **3 PM - 5 PM** at Camp Firwood.

1740 Lake Whatcom Blvd, Bellingham, WA 98229.

Due to the high amount of traffic on the Firwood road during Opening Day, we ask that you please drive 10 mph to accommodate incoming and outgoing cars and to protect families who may be walking on the road. Carpooling is also highly recommended.

### STEP 1: WELCOME

Meet our parking attendants at the gravel parking lot. They will help you park, show you where to take your belongings for our luggage shuttle, and direct you to check in at the Center House.

### STEP 2: CHECK IN

From the parking lot, you will walk to the Center House for check-in. Here you will receive your cabin assignment, turn in all medications to the health aide, pay any outstanding balances, and drop off mail or care packages for the week.

If your camper is bringing medication to camp or has any other medical concerns, please check in at the Health Aid Station to review the Medical Form, check in medications, and discuss allergies. Please note, all medications MUST be in their original packaging with the camper's name and dosage clearly marked. We are unable to accept medication in weekly pill organizers, ziploc bags, or other containers. Medications will be administered per the instructions on the bottle. We cannot make any exceptions without a signed doctor's note explaining the dosage change.

If your camper would like to participate in paintball during free time, sign-ups and payment are accepted in the parent portal. Online paintball sign ups are limited to 2 sessions per week. If there are still spaces available, sign ups and payment will also be accepted at check-in. Each 2 hour session is \$35 and includes all needed equipment and instruction.

### STEP 3: MEET YOUR COUNSELOR!

After you have completed the check-in process, head through the counselor tunnel! Your camper's counselor will greet you and help you move into your cabin.

### STEP 4: EXPLORE CAMP

Enjoy the property with your camper, get a tour from a staff member, and get some camp swag from the Honey Hut!

Each camper will be set up with a Honey Hut account upon registering for a week of camp. Campers may only purchase items at the Honey Hut through the account with funds that have been pre-loaded through the Registration Portal. We suggest adding funds to your camper's account during online registration, however, you will have an opportunity to add funds during check-in on Opening Day. Camper accounts can also be updated midweek through the Registration Portal.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

**KIDS ARE UNABLE TO USE CASH THROUGHOUT THE WEEK. THEIR ACCOUNT MUST BE PRE-LOADED.**

## CLOSING DAY - CAMPER PICKUP

At the end of each session, Pick-Up for campers will be at Camp Firwood.

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Pick up time will be from **9-10 AM** on the last day of the camp week. Please check your camp schedule for your child's pick up day.

### STEP 1: PARK

Please park in the gravel parking lot and check in with the parking attendant.

### STEP 2: CHECK OUT

Walk down to the basketball court to check out and be prepared to show ID.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Campers will ONLY be allowed to leave with individuals listed as their "Authorized Pick-up" list. This list can be found and edited in the camper Registration Portal.

### STEP 3: PICK-UP

Your camper's counselor will bring your camper to meet you at the basketball court. Here you will pick up their belongings, review "Lost and Found" items, say goodbye to their counselor, and head back home to hear about an incredible week at camp!

