



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We look forward to welcoming your students to Camp Kirby for their outdoor school experience! Camp Kirby encompasses 47 acres of forest, grassland, and beach and presents an amazing opportunity for unique and meaningful outdoor experiences.

We are passionate about creating a safe, fun, inclusive, and memorable camp experience for every camper that visits Camp Kirby. We believe that when youth get the chance to be outdoors, to work with others in community, and learn to respect nature, they also learn self-awareness and responsibility.

Outdoor School Program Goals:

- Develop knowledge and understanding of the natural world
- Inspire a connection to nature and the outdoors
- Encourage environmental stewardship
- Develop connections with peers
- Participate in social-emotional learning
- Experience the outdoors
- Build science literacy
- Develop leadership skills
- Encourage community involvement

As I'm sure you are aware, the weather here in the Pacific Northwest can be unpredictable. We would love to guarantee sunshine, but the reality is that we also have cold, wet, and windy days. Please look over the packing list carefully to make sure that your camper is adequately prepared. If your child is missing something, please reach out to their teacher so that we can arrange loaner gear for them.

For more information, please visit the Outdoor School section of our website at <https://www.campfiresamish.org/outdoor-school/>.

Warmly,

Camp Kirby Staff



CAMP KIRBY OUTDOOR SCHOOL PACKING LIST

All Students will need the following items

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping bag and pillow | <input type="checkbox"/> Warm jacket |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle | <input type="checkbox"/> Warm sleepwear - our cabins are not heated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries (Toothbrush, Toothpaste, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Two pairs of sturdy shoes for playing, running, and hiking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen and Chapstick | <input type="checkbox"/> At least one pair must be closed-toe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insect Repellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandals MUST have a heel strap (no flipflops) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight with batteries | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 outfits (Socks, Underwear, shirts, pants) Note - Long pants are required for some activities. | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweatshirt (even during a warm week, nights can get chilly) | |

Optional or Suggested Items

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses and/or hat | <input type="checkbox"/> Journal and pen/pencil |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Extra blanket | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain gear (jacket, boots, etc) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bedtime books and/or stuffed animals for sleeping | |

DO NOT BRING TO CAMP

The following items are not allowed at camp. These items, if found, will be taken and held until students leave Camp. Some items, such as weapons or drugs, will result in the student being sent home immediately.

- ALL electronics including: Cell phones, music players, video games, tablets, laptops, smart watches, video cameras, and e-readers.
- Firearms, Fireworks, or Weapons
- Alcohol, Drugs, or Tobacco
- Pets/animals
- Please do not bring or send any snack food, gum, or candy to camp. Camp provides plenty of snacks, and food is not allowed in our sleeping cabins.