

Kings Canyon Backpacking Equipment List

1. REQUIRED: Purchase on your own or it can be Supplied by the school through the \$475 deposit			
√?	Qty.	Item	Description
___	1	Backpack (rental fee = \$30)	Should be a backpack of at least 4000 cubic inches with a well padded hip belt.
___	1	sleeping bag & stuff sack (rental fee \$30)	Light weight mummy-style bag (0-20° F rating is good), filled with synthetic or down material (big, bulky cotton bags are NOT good)
___	1	sleeping pad (rental fee \$15)	Keeps you warm and comfortable when sleeping on cold, hard ground. Ridgerest & Therm-a-rest® are good brands.
___	2-3 pairs	Hiking socks	Wool /poly (synthetic) blend (Smartwool, etc)
___	1	long underwear tops	Light to medium weight synthetic material like capilene or polypropylene (NO COTTON!)
___	1	long underwear bottoms	Light to medium weight synthetic material like capilene or polypropylene (NO COTTON!)
___	1	fleece jacket	Medium to heavy weight fleece jacket (NO COTTON SWEATSHIRTS!!).
___	1	rain jacket with a hood	Should be made from a coated nylon material. Must be waterproof and breathable.
___	1	rain pants	Should be made from a coated nylon material also. Side zippers on the sides of the legs are nice.
___	1	wool or fleece cap	For cold conditions and for staying warm while sleeping.
___	1	fleece pants	These are nice to wear around camp at night and when the weather becomes cold
___	1	wool/fleece gloves	For cold conditions and possibly snow.
___	2	water bottle	Should be a sturdy wide mouthed bottle, best with a capacity of 1 litre. NO canteens
___	1	eating gear	Should have a bowl, insulated mug (12-20 oz.) and spoon. (that is all)
___	1	lip balm	Should be SPF 15
___	1-2	Bandanas	Many uses! (Handkerchief, sweat band, washcloth, etc.)
___	1	Headlamp with batteries	Headlamps are the most handy in camp at night or early days on the trail

2. REQUIRED: Student must buy, not supplied at school			
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___	1 pair	Hiking boots (best to show up wearing them)	Should be a medium weight leather boot made for hiking. Make sure they are well-broken in before the trip (this will make a big difference!).
___	1 pair	Socks	That will stay dry for sleeping in
___	1 pair	sneakers/sandals	For wearing around the campsite. Old sneakers or Teva-type sandals work well. (not flip flops)
___	1	Shorts	Quick dry, nylon material
___	1	Pants	Better if quick drying, nylon material
___	3	Underwear	Enough for one week. Bring what you think you need, but try to go light!
___	1	T-Shirt	Synthetic best, but cotton OK
___	1	sun hat	Baseball caps are OK, but hats with full brims are better
___	1	Sunglasses (important)	Should have good UV protection (we go high)
___	1	toothpaste & toothbrush	Bring a very small tube of toothpaste
___	1	extra eyeglasses or contact lens supplies	Please bring a very small bottle of contact lens solution if you wear contacts.

OPTIONAL: Not necessary, but nice to have.

- ___ Book (small)
- ___ Personal journal or notebook with pens and/or pencils.
- ___ Camera

DO NOT BRING (These items will not be permitted on the backpacking trip)

- X** personal electronic items - walkmans, Discmans, video games, radios, etc.
- X** firearms or fireworks
- X** machetes, swords, throwing stars or other large sharp weapons
- X** makeup or elaborate jewelry