We recommend that you pack your camper’s belongings in a large Rubbermaid-type tote box. This makes it easy for campers to keep their things together and easy for parents to clean out when they come home!

Clearly mark items with camper’s name; this will help in finding lost items. Limited lost items are kept for two weeks and then are donated to charity.

☐ Shorts – Enough for each day plus a few extras. Nylon shorts are not suitable for ropes course
☐ T-shirts- enough for each day plus a few extras
☐ Facemasks- we recommend packing a minimum of one facemask per day at camp
☐ Sleepwear
☐ Underwear and socks- enough for each day at camp plus a few extras
☐ Raincoat
☐ Sweatshirt/jacket
☐ Long pants – for cooler times of day and any horseback riding
☐ Ranch Programs- long pants for each day at the barn and boots with a heel.
☐ Laundry bag
☐ Bedding–Sleeping bag or blanket, fitted sheet (twin) and pillow
☐ Water bottle
☐ Shower articles – Bath towel, wash cloth or sponge, soap in a container, shampoo/conditioner, toothbrush & toothpaste, lotion, brush or comb and shower shoes
☐ Shoes – two pairs of gym shoes, one pair old enough to wade in creek. Ropes course and Ranch require closed-toe shoes
☐ Bathing suits– one-piece ONLY. One or two suits and two beach towels
☐ Sunscreen – When you send sunscreen with your campers please encourage them to be responsible about reapplying throughout their week at camp.
☐ Medication – In the original labeled container, medications are to be given to the nurse during Check-In. Special blister packs will be provided at check-in. Epi-pens and Inhalers can be carried by campers or staff but must be logged with the nurse. The nurse recommends you send an extra inhaler/epi-pen as backup to be kept in the health center.
☐ Commonly-brought items - Stationery, pre-stamped and addressed envelopes, flashlight, small battery-operated fan, backpack, disposable camera, snacks, personal hand sanitizer.

Labeling your camper’s belongings is the easiest way to be reunited with any lost items during the week. Buy premade labels and support Camp Ernst scholarships at the same time by going to campaigns.mabelslabeled.com and selecting YMCA Camp Ernst.

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