

2017 SENIOR TRIP GEAR LIST

Walkabout understands that many Seniors will never have a need for this equipment after the Senior Trip is over. Please do not feel that you need to purchase everything on this list. Many of these items can be borrowed from friends or from Walkabout. Because we do not have enough gear to supply 165 students, please borrow gear from friends or former students whenever possible. In the event that you do need to borrow some of these items from Walkabout, please be aware that our resources are limited. Students should email Tim Williams if they need to borrow a backpack, sleeping pad, or sleeping bag from Walkabout.

If you would like to purchase some of this gear, Walkabout has made arrangements with Rock/Creek Outfitters to provide an exclusive sale of selected items on May 1st and 2nd from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. These discount prices are only available during these specific times. If you foresee a need or desire for outdoor gear in the future, this sale is a relatively inexpensive opportunity.

It will be hot. It will be cold. The sun will shine. It will rain.

Please bring what is on this list. Each item is necessary. Lack of a good rain jacket and warm clothes in a South Carolina mountain rain actually creates some serious safety concerns. Lack of sunscreen on a hot day rafting on the Chattooga River can make the rest of the trip very uncomfortable.

Cotton is the enemy. Wet cotton does not insulate and can become dangerous in cold weather. It will be cold. Please pay careful attention to items that should be made of wool or synthetic fibers. Both wool and synthetic (pile, capilene, or polypropylene) clothes insulate well even when they are wet.

- * backpack
- duffel bag (any type of luggage bag will work)
- sleeping bag (not cotton)
- * stuff sack (for sleeping bag)
- * sleeping pad
- long pants (jeans or Carhartt type pants for around camp)
- synthetic long underwear bottoms for use during activities
- long sleeve synthetic underwear shirt
- synthetic jacket or wool sweater
- warm hat (wool or synthetic)
- hat for sun protection
- socks (at least two pairs should be non-cotton)
- RAIN JACKET It will rain. Please bring a jacket that is waterproof – NOT water resistant.
- t-shirts
- underwear
- two pairs of tennis shoes - one to keep dry – one to get wet (these can be river sandals if they have a strap behind the ankle)
- hot drink mug
- toiletries (towel, toothbrush, shampoo etc.) hot showers are available
- flashlight or headlamp with extra batteries

- sunblock
- * cup, bowl, and spoon
- 2 quart size water bottles – non-breakable (Gatorade bottles work well)
PLEASE FILL THEM BEFORE WE LEAVE BAYLOR.
- swimming suit and shorts
- * large plastic garbage bag (keeps clothes dry during backpack)
- day pack (book bag size)

OPTIONAL

- extra set of synthetic long underwear (nice to have if one set gets wet)
- Tevas, Chacos, or other river sandals
- rain pants
- playing cards
- bug repellent
- books
- musical instruments

DO NOT BRING

- iPads, iPods, any electronic game, **no cell phones**
- money
- food

*The asterisk indicates items only needed for the first two days of backpacking. If you are an athlete who will not be joining us until after the first two days, you do not need to bring these items.