

What to Take Camping (and Where to Get It)

Tent
Ground Cloth
Folding Chair(s)
Sleeping Bag/Bedding
Air Mattress or Pad
Scout Uniform (Class A and Class B)*
Cub Scout Cap
Extra Clothes (appropriate for weather)
Comfortable Closed Toe Shoes
Rain Gear/Poncho
Bug Repellant
Sunscreen
Flashlight / Extra Batteries
Canteen/ Water Bottle/ Hydration Pack
Personal Hygiene Items

Toothbrush/Toothpaste
Deodorant
Soap/ Shampoo/ Body Wash
Wash Cloth
Towel
Comb/Brush
Any Daily Medication

***Class A Uniform – Button Up Cub Scout Shirt, Neckerchief, and Slide
Class B Uniform – Pack 576 T-shirt or other Scout T-shirt**

Good Scout Attitude

Good Manners

Camera
Small Cooler and Any Snacks that You Can't Live Without

Pocket Knife – **ONLY IF YOU HAVE COMPLETED WHITTLING CHIP!!**

REMEMBER, AT CAMP HOOD, YOU HAVE TO CARRY WHATEVER YOU BRING TO THE CAMPSITE!!

BOYS DO NOT BRING ANY GAME SYSTEMS (DS, IPAD, PHONES, ETC.)

DO NOT BRING ANY FIRE PITS, CHARCOAL GRILLS, OPEN FLAME TORCHES OR WOOD FROM OFF CAMP PROPERTY. A FIRE PIT WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE CAMPSITE.

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Where to get Camping Gear

There are several places locally to buy camping gear (**Walmart, Academy, Dick's, Bass Pro Shop, Buffalo Peak**). When it comes to camping gear, you can spend as much as you want or as little as you want. It's been my experience to spend the most money on "big ticket" items such as tents, sleeping bags and backpacks. Cub Scouts will not need an expensive backpack, a day pack such as used for school will usually be sufficient for a weekend campout. I would also consider a moderately priced youth sleeping bag to start since there is a good chance that your son will outgrow it.

There are some really good online sites to buy camping gear. Some that I have used in the past and still use are below. I'll say a little bit about each of the site after the link.

Campmor - <https://www.campmor.com/> This has been my go-to site for over 25 years, even before they had a website I ordered out of the catalog. They have good prices, good equipment and great service in my experience. Make sure and check their Deals and Clearance Items for good prices.

Recreational Equipment Inc, (REI) - <http://www.rei.com/> REI is a consumer cooperative that was starting in Seattle in the 1950's. It is the largest consumer cooperative in the US. Anyone can order from REI or shop in their stores. If you join the cooperative, it's a \$20 one time cost but you get 10% back from everything that you order in a year. They have good equipment and fair prices (especially considering the member rebate).

Sierra Trading Post - <http://www.sierratradingpost.com/> Sierra Trading Post has good equipment and good prices. I've ordered quite a bit from them through the years.

Backcountry.com - <http://www.backcountry.com/> They have great equipment but the prices are high unless you can find something in the "Outlet" section of the website or on sale.

Woot.com - www.woot.com Woot sometimes have good equipment at great prices but you need to check the site on almost a daily basis because their quantities are limited.

I've found that if I'm going to buy something that needs to be fit such as a backpack or hiking boots, it's better to go and try them on locally before ordering online.

If you have any questions, please talk to Andy Tuccio, Trey Curry, Michael Lowery, or one of your Den Leaders.