

Things for Parents/Guardians to know:

Our primary concerns are a) the health and safety of your child, b) that they have an enjoyable experience at camp and c) that they learn about Jesus in this environment. Parents will be contacted in case of illness, injury or homesickness at the discretion of the Menno Haven Staff and Camp Medical Provider.

Menno Haven does not have phone or email access for campers. To encourage your child to more fully participate in the week's activities, **please do not send a cell phone (or any other electronics) with your camper.**

Sending mail/email to campers:

1. All letters and cards addressed to your camper and sent via post office are welcome.
2. Please send all camper e-mails to mailbag@mennohaven.com
3. In the "subject" line, please put the campers **full name** see example
From: (your email address)
To: mailbag@mennohaven.com
Subject: Johnny Menno
4. Letters and emails received after 11:45 am will be handed out the next day. Mail received after 11:45 am on Friday (or Wednesday for Cottontail Camp) will not be handed out.
5. We reserve the right to check all email for content unacceptable for a camp situation.
6. Please share this with anyone who may send mail to your camper.

Full week Participation

- We expect children to attend the full week of camp. We strongly discourage a late arrival and/or the removal of your child early. Leaving Camp affects your child, their cabin mates, the Head Cabin Counselor, and the entire program. If this is unavoidable, please communicate with us ahead of time.

**If you have concerns or questions about any of this, please contact
Jeremiah Graham, Guest & Program Manager,
at guestprogmanager@mennohaven.com**

SEE YOU THIS SUMMER!!!!

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Additional Camp Information

Please put your child's initials on ALL items. We will try to make sure they have all the items they came with, however, Menno Haven cannot be held responsible for lost items. If after departure, you find you are missing something, contact our office to see if it has been found.

The WHAT TO BRING list

Faith-based

- Bible
- pens or pencils
- notebook or journal

General

- sleeping bag
- pillow
- insect repellent
- flashlight

Clothing

- 5-7 summery outfits
- 2 pairs of athletic shoes/ boots
- appropriate sleeping attire
- rain/mud-capable outfit(s)
- dark colored outfit
- undergarments, socks
- light jacket or sweatshirt
- swimsuit
(one piece/tankini/swim-shorts)

Hygiene

- tooth brush & paste
- brush or comb
- shampoo & soap
- deodorant(s)
- feminine products
- towel(s), washcloth
- vision products
- laundry bag

Optional

- athletic sandals
- sunblock (SPF 15+)
- postcards & stamps
- camera
- baseball cap & sunglasses
- reusable water bottle
- twin size bedding
- medications (see more info below)

The NOT TO BRING list

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cell phone | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> speedo or bikini | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> valuable items & money | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> inappropriate clothing |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non-athletic shoes | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> pets or livestock | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> music, noisemakers, etc. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> walkie talkies |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> weapons of any kind | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gaming devices | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> curling irons, make-up | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food, gum, candy, etc. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sugared beverages | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> drugs, tobacco, etc. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> lighters, matches, etc. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> perfume, cologne |

Further Notes

All campers: don't forget to bring green shirts for **Green Shirt Tuesday** or wacky clothing for "**Wacky Wednesday**".

Adventure Campers should bring a water bottle, long pants, boots or gym shoes, socks and bug spray.

High School Campers may bring a formal or crazy outfit for the banquet, and persons driving themselves should be prepared to give their keys to the Summer Program Director for the week.

Wilderness Campers should bring a water bottle, good sun protection for the canoe trip, and a day pack for carrying the stuff you will need for the day. Wilderness campers should come prepared and excited to sleep in a tent! If your family owns a tent or you have access to one from family and/or friends and would like to bring it, please let us know so we know how many tents we have. If you do not have access to tents, we will have some for your use.

Menno Haven's Trading Post: The camp store will be open at check-in and departure times only. T-shirts, water bottles, and other items may be purchased at these times. Photo Flashdrives of the camp week are available for purchase at check-out. Thus NO money will be needed by campers while they are here (snacks and crafts are provided as part of the registration cost)

For the safety of all campers, **all prescription and over-the-counter medications** must be turned in to the Camp Medical Provider during check-in. Please send sufficient medication for the duration of your child's stay in **original, labeled container**.

Any **deviations from the standards** laid out in this letter must be approved by the Guest & Program Manager prior to arrival.

We are looking forward to providing a superb summer camp experience for your child! Please travel safely on your way here and blessings to your summer camp preparations.

In Christ, Menno Haven staff ☺