BeatNest Overnight Music Camp – Packing List

We're excited to welcome your camper to BeatNest! Below is a complete list of what campers should bring for their week at camp. Please label all personal belongings with your camper's name to help prevent lost or misplaced items.

We recommend packing everything in a duffel bag or suitcase, with smaller items organized in separate bags. Campers should be able to manage their own belongings.

1. Essential Items

Required

These are the items every camper should bring.

Clothing

- 6–7 pairs of underwear
- 6–7 pairs of socks
- 6–7 T-shirts
- 3–4 pairs of shorts
- 2–3 pairs of pants
- 1–2 sweatshirts or hoodies
- 1 warm jacket
- 1 pair of pajamas
- 1 outfit for special events or performances
- 1–2 swimsuits
- 1 rain jacket or poncho
- Comfortable clothes for outdoor activities

Footwear

- Comfortable sneakers
- Sandals or slides
- Water shoes
- Extra pair of shoes

Bedding & Sleeping

- Sleeping bag OR twin-size sheets and blanket
- Pillow
- Pillowcase
- Extra blanket (optional but recommended)

Toiletries & Personal Care

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Body wash or soap
- Deodorant
- Hairbrush or comb
- Sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher)
- Insect repellent
- Shower towel
- Beach/swimming towel
- Washcloth
- Shower caddy or toiletry bag
- Any required personal hygiene products

Other Essentials

- Reusable water bottle
- Backpack or day bag
- Laundry bag for dirty clothes
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Sunglasses
- Hat or baseball cap
- Prescription medications (must be submitted to camp staff and handled according to camp medication policies)
- Any required medical equipment or personal care supplies

2. Non-Essential / Optional Items

Nice to have

These items can make the week more comfortable or fun, but aren't necessary.

- Books or magazines
- Journal or sketchbook
- Playing cards
- Small board games or travel games
- Disposable camera

- Stuffed animal or comfort item
- Earplugs
- Sleep mask
- Extra pillow or blanket
- Portable fan (battery-operated)
- Reusable tote bag
- Small amount of spending money (only if permitted by camp)
- Extra pair of headphones

Personal Music Equipment & Laptops

Campers are welcome to bring their own DJ controllers, music production equipment, headphones, or other personal music gear if they'd like to use their own equipment during appropriate camp activities.

Campers may also bring a personal laptop for music production and other camp-related music activities.

Please keep the following in mind:

- BeatNest provides all the DJ equipment, computers, and music production technology needed for scheduled camp activities. Bringing personal equipment is completely optional.
- BeatNest is not responsible for any personal equipment or electronics that are lost, stolen, or damaged during camp.
- Laptops may only be used for designated music-related or other camp-approved purposes. Laptops may not be used for gaming, general internet browsing, social media, or other non-camp-related activities.
- If a camper is found using their laptop for non-camp-related purposes, BeatNest staff may confiscate the laptop and hold it until the end of camp.

3. Prohibited Items

Do not bring

To help maintain a safe, focused, and welcoming environment, the following items are not permitted at camp.

Electronics & Technology

- Cell phones and smartphones
- Tablets and iPads
- Gaming consoles or handheld gaming devices
- Smartwatches with messaging, calling, or internet capabilities

- Portable speakers
- Electronics or devices not approved by BeatNest

Note: Personal laptops and music equipment are permitted under the guidelines outlined in Section 2.

Weapons & Dangerous Items

- Knives, pocket knives, or multitools
- Firearms or ammunition
- Fireworks or explosives
- Lighters or matches
- Firearm or weapon replicas
- Other items that could cause injury

Other Prohibited Items

- Alcohol, tobacco, vaping products, or nicotine products
- Illegal drugs or recreational substances
- Energy drinks
- Pets or animals
- Expensive jewelry or valuables
- Aerosol products (unless specifically approved)
- Candles or incense
- Food or snacks stored in cabins (unless approved due to dietary or medical needs)

4. A Few Important Reminders

1. Label everything. Please put your camper's first and last name on clothing, water bottles, bags, towels, and other personal belongings.

2. Pack for changing weather. Evenings can get chilly, so be sure to include warm layers and a rain jacket.

3. Don't overpack. Campers will be responsible for keeping track of their belongings and managing their own bags.

4. Leave valuables at home. BeatNest is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged personal belongings, including personal music equipment, laptops, or other electronics brought to camp.

5. Phones stay home. BeatNest is designed to give campers a chance to unplug, connect with other campers, and fully participate in the experience. Parents will have a way to contact camp staff in case of an emergency.

6. Medication must be coordinated with camp staff. All prescription and over-the-counter medications must be disclosed during registration and handled according to camp medication procedures. Campers should not independently share or distribute medication.

7. Use personal electronics responsibly. Personal laptops are permitted for camp-related music activities only. Any laptop being used for non-camp-related purposes may be confiscated by staff and returned at the end of camp.

Our Biggest Tip: Pack Together!

Pack together with your camper! It's a great opportunity to make sure they know what they're bringing, where everything is packed, and how to manage their belongings throughout the week.

We want campers to arrive ready to make music, make friends, try new things, and have an awesome week at BeatNest!