

Mexicali Packing List 2020

Travel Tips:

-Pack a smaller duffel bag inside your hockey bag (with wheels) for Cali stuff (this bag is for Cali, hockey bags remain in vans and not accessible until we cross the border)

-All clothing must be in gallon or larger Ziploc bags to keep dust away. We recommend it be 'bagged' by day.

ABSOLUTELY NO LEGGINGS OR YOGA PANTS ON THIS TRIP AT ANY TIME

ABSOLUTELY NO SKINNY JEANS ON THIS TRIP AT ANY TIME

THINK MODESTY. DO NOT SHOW UNDERGARMENTS ON THIS TRIP AT ANY TIME

-Use a sharpie to mark your clothing bags, and to mark all your stuff with your name (cameras, flashlights, chairs, etc. Stuff gets mixed up all the time.)

-Don't bring stuff you are afraid to lose.

-Spending Money - overall most youth bring around \$150 for meals and souvenirs (approx. 7 meals outside camp plus shopping habits....you know your kid :). They are responsible for their own money! Bring smaller bills.

-Remember a 2nd item will be assigned to you one week before we depart. You will check this item and your hockey bag at the airport (tent, guitar, craft/supply bin, cooler). If you are playing guitar for the trip, that will be your 2nd item, don't forget to bring it and in a hard case!

HOCKEY BAG CONTENTS (max weight is 50#. You must weigh your bag BEFORE leaving home)

Cali Bag:

- 4 casual outfits:
 - Thursday sightseeing clothes: shorts, flip flops, beach towel, sunblock/glasses, swimsuit (girls-modest 1pc/tankini only; guys-no speedos)
 - Friday van travel clothes to Tent City (pants and/or long skirt)
 - Return air travel clothes
 - Other hotel clothes: jammies, comfy sweats, hoodie
 - journal or pen/paper
 - small bible
 - Mexicali booklet
 - spending \$ (include 7 meals)
 - toothbrush, deodorant, etc.
 - personal medications
- (All meds must be given to adult team leaders for disbursement in Mexicali)

Mexicali Bag:

- CLEAN clothes for 6 days at ministry site
- Girls- ankle length skirts with bike shorts underneath; shirts w/ sleeves (can change into pants at camp)
- Guys-khakis or jeans; shirts with sleeves
- General: No skin tight, tank, tasteless, logo, ads, or beer shirts. Christian t-shirts okay! No white clothing or bare bellies allowed.
- 1 set of dress clothes for church service at ministry site (collared shirt for guys)
- athletic shoes (ALL shoes must be closed toe/heel, no exceptions. 2 pair is ideal)
- clean underwear daily! 10 pair
- clean socks daily! 10 pair
- hat/bandana (sometimes purchased in the market there)
- Mexicali T shirt ("Chosen," Worn on service project/picture day)
- Team hoodie, worn to the airport
- old jeans (worn on service project day)
- Sleeping bag and pillow (pillow cases too!)
- stocking hat for sleeping at night
- jammies
- hoodie or sweatshirt for night (sometimes purchased in the market there or Mexico Outreach \$30-40)

Other stuff to pack (We will NOT be taking the entire group to Wal-Mart, so plan ahead!)

- reusable water bottle (32 oz.)
- 'baño' bag (toilet paper 1-2 rolls/personal wipes, hand sanitizer)
- sunglasses
- baby wipes 1 box (for 'showering')
- sun block
- face wipes/washcloth & towel/flip flops for shower
- insect repellent
- shampoo & soap/Toothbrush & paste/hairbrush & comb
- flashlight/headlamp (extra batteries)
- spray deodorant (solids will melt in heat)
- camp chair (We will pre-order in quantity. Plan on an extra \$10)
- other personal hygiene products (girl stuff/guy stuff-you know....)

Please remember, in Mexicali, absolutely no shorts worn anywhere. Girls do wear shorts under skirts since they are playing sports. Absolutely no cell phones in Mexico, we collect them at the border. iPods, etc. are okay at designated times.

BEFORE LEAVING FOR THE AIRPORT DO I HAVE.... my hockey bag, carry-on bag (backpack), assigned 2nd item and \$\$

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