



## INFORMATION PACKET 2024

LET'S CELEBRATE ~ 50 YEARS OF SERVICE!

We're proud and excited to carry on this amazing legacy as we venture into a new year working together with the Mackinac Island State Park.

MACKINAC ADVISOR COMMITTEE				
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For questions, updates, lost forms, give this a try:  
[www.mackinac327.weebly.com](http://www.mackinac327.weebly.com)

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## SCHEDULES

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### WEEK ON MACKINAC ISLAND:

June 15 - June 22, 2024

<u>MTG DAY/DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>TYPE AND PLACE OF MEETING</u>
Saturday, Jan 13	9:30-noon	Parent/Scout Gen Mtg @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, Feb 3	9:30-noon	General Mtg @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, Feb 3	noon-3:00 pm	Leadership Training @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, Mar 2	9:30-noon	General Mtg @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Friday, April 12-13	7:00 pm-noon	Overnight Mtg @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, May 11	9:30-noon	General Mtg @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, June 1	9:30-noon	General Mtg @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, June 15	6:00 am	Leave for Mackinac; @ St. Paul Lutheran Church
Saturday, June 22	5:00 pm	Return Home; @ St. Paul Lutheran Church

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### **PAYMENT DUE DATES:** *(you may make payment in full of \$400 at any time prior to March 2)*

- Jan 13 \$25 Application fee – If not already paid with application
- Jan 13 \$200 Initial payment
- Mar 2 \$175 Final payment

All checks should be made **payable to: Girl Scout Troop #327 Mackinac**

If you wish to **mail** your payment, you may send it to:

Cathy Leverenz, 1339 Yorkshire, Grosse Pointe Park, MI 48230

You may also pay with **Pay Pal** without charge as a friend/family using this link:

[PayPal.Me/mackinactroop327](https://www.paypal.com/payto/mackinactroop327).

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### BUS DETAILS:

#### Leave for Mackinac:

<b>Saturday, June 15</b>	<b>6:00 am</b>	Meet St. Paul Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop/Chalfonte, GPF
	<b>6:15 am</b>	Depart from St. Paul Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop/Chalfonte, GPF

**To ensure your timely arrival:** For traffic conditions, please check  
the MDOT website: [www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot)

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#### Return Home:

<b>Saturday, June 22</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>	Meet girls at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 375 Lothrop/Chalfonte, GPF
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*Please be prompt. If bus is detained for any reason you will be notified.*

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\* \* \* PLEASE NOTE THESE DATES/TIMES IN YOUR CALENDAR \* \* \*

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## MEETINGS

Attendance is required at all meetings. Please record the meeting dates and times in your calendar. If unavoidable circumstances prevent your attendance at any meeting, a telephone call or an email to Cathy Leverenz is required and you should also notify your Patrol Leader. If you are unable to attend a meeting it is your responsibility to contact your Patrol Leadership to find out what you missed at the meeting. Three absences will be considered cause for dismissal.



The Mackinac Island Service Program is a team effort, and working with one another during marching, flag etiquette training, and planning as a group takes practice. Getting to know the Scouts in the Troop and in your individual Patrols will help us work as a unit and become the best we can be.

The advisors are available for questions at the beginning/end of our monthly meetings. In honor of the church's request, we would ask that only Scouts (no parents) be in the building during our monthly meetings.

## CONTACTING US ON THE ISLAND

**Phone:** There is a phone in the Barracks that receives incoming calls. We would ask that you call this number only for urgent matters.

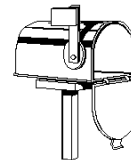
**We do not allow Scouts to bring cell phones to the Island.**



**Barracks: (906) 847-6166**

**Mail:** Mail is always appreciated! Delivery takes 3 or 4 days to get to the Island. Please use a return address. Mail received after June 22, 2024, will be forwarded to Mrs. Leverenz as long as the Troop Number is included in the address. Receiving mail is fun!

**Our address:**            *Scout's Name*  
                                  c/o GS Troop 327, Scout Barracks  
                                  Post Office Box 502  
                                  Mackinac Island, Michigan 49757



## RULES AND PROCEDURES

According to Mackinac Island State Commission rules, uniforms must be worn while in town. There is no exception to this rule (i.e., if you are in town with your parents you must be in uniform). There will be an Advisor in town every day. No Scouts may be in town until an Advisor is in town. Scouts should check the board to make sure the downtown-Advisor has signed out. All Scouts must be back to the Barracks by 5:15 pm. All outdoor activities will end by 10:00 pm, and quiet time shall then be in effect.

No alcoholic beverages, no smoking/vaping, no drug abuse, possession, sale or exchange of illegal drugs or contraband. Anyone breaking this rule will be **sent home immediately**. Poor conduct affects the entire group and may result in the troop not being asked to return.

In order to account for the whereabouts of each person, Scouts and Advisors must use the sign-out/sign-in system. No Scout goes anywhere alone. When leaving the barracks, Scouts must be in groups of at least three.

**No one**, other than members of Troop 327 and the Scout Coordinator, is allowed upstairs in the Barracks except those being given a **brief** tour.

## **DISCIPLINE**

Discipline problems will come before the Adult and Girl Leadership. With the exception of drug abuse and violation of the no cell phone policy, infractions of the rules will result in the curtailment of free time activities, extra chores and/or probation.

## **CELL PHONE POLICY**

**In-Town Meetings:** Scouts may bring cell phones to our in-town meetings. If they do, the phones must be turned off before entering the meeting. Our time together is important and full attention is needed as we make preparations for our Mackinac experience.



**On The Island:** Scouts are not allowed to have cell phones during our week on Mackinac Island. We trust our Scouts and their parents to ensure that cell phones remain at home. If we find that a Scout brings a phone to the Island, her parents will be called to immediately come and take her home and she will not be invited back the following year. The Scout will be restricted to barracks until her parents arrive to remove her from the Island.

A large part of “Mackinac Magic” is lifelong friendships that blossom on the Island. Text messaging, calls back home, games, etc. make it difficult for those relationships to develop and be nurtured. The Advisors will have telephones available if a Scout needs to make a call.

## **MISSING ITEMS**

Our troop is housed in a public building and the general public is granted tours from time to time throughout the summer. Unfortunately we cannot guarantee the safety of personal items. We would suggest that Scouts refrain from bringing valuable items, whether they be of monetary value or personally valuable. Scouts may choose to put a lock on their gear as a means of safeguarding their items.

## **LAUNDRY**

Use of the washer and dryer in the Scout Barracks is limited to uniforms. In order to ensure return of Scouts’ clothing after laundering, it is essential that everything be labeled with the Scout’s name. There is also a small laundry tub available for hand wash.

## SPENDING MONEY



Spending money you send with your Scout is decided by your family. A sweatshirt may cost \$40 or more, and prices of fudge and souvenirs climb each year. However, we do not encourage “buying” the Island. You can be sure that whatever you decide, the Scouts will spend everything they bring, and large sums of money might create unnecessary temptation. The Advisors’ quarters will be available as a secure location for holding the Scouts’ money for those girls who wish to use it.

### DINNER GUESTS (Michelle Farell meesh113@yahoo.com)

It is a treat to have parents and family members visit the Barracks and enjoy a meal with the Troop. We need to plan ahead to ensure food quantities and space availability. Due to the limited seating in the dining hall, we would request that you dine with us for dinner only once during our week on the Island. We are unable to accommodate dinner guests on Wednesday and Friday. Please make arrangements with the Advisor in charge of food. *Please reserve as soon as possible so the head count can be considered when we place our food order.* Feel free to have lunch or spend family time with your Scout during the day, if her duty schedule allows.



### FIRST AID (Mary Kravutske mekravutske@sbcglobal.net)



Medication (prescription, over the counter, and vitamins) *may not* be given without written consent of the parent. If your daughter has any medication to be taken while on the Island, please write out the instructions and enclose with the labeled medication (in its original container) in a plastic zip-lock type bag clearly marked with the Scout’s name. This should be given to the First Aid Advisor upon arrival at St. Paul Lutheran Church before boarding the bus on **June 15, 2024**, or when dropping your daughter off at the overnight meeting on **April 12, 2024**. If your daughter *may* take Tylenol for a headache or Tums for an upset stomach, etc., please indicate on the Parent Permission form. If there is anything which we should know about your daughter’s health that is not included on the form, *please provide such information to the First Aid Advisor.*

### PHYSICAL (Mary Kravutske mekravutske@sbcglobal.net)

**REQUIRED:** Physical examination dated **no earlier than June 23, 2022.**

We must have a photocopy of *both sides* of each person’s health insurance card. This is necessary because your personal individual or group health insurance is the primary provider of your daughter’s health coverage. We hope it will not be necessary for your daughter to see the doctor on the Island. Girl Scout Insurance is secondary coverage only.

The parental permission forms as well as a photocopy of insurance card are due at the January meeting.

All physical exam forms signed by a doctor are due at the General Meeting on Mar 2, 2024. We recognize that some Scouts may be required to take a physical for sports or school activities later in the year. In that situation, the medical form may be turned in no later than April 12, 2022.

## UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS 2024

(Lora Graentzdoerffer lhesch@gmail.com)

**Uniform check is the April 12th overnight meeting.**

Pants & Shorts **MUST** be purchased through Land's End Uniform.

When ordering from Land's End, please add our organization number and the Troop will receive a credit:

**Girl Scouts of Metro Detroit #327 – Acct #9000-9459-0**

**PANTS** – Khaki, Perfect Fit Plain Front Blend Chino, hemmed to correct length, NOT cuffed  
**LABELED with Scout's Name**

[https://www.landsend.com/products/school-uniform-girls-iron-knee-blend-plain-front-chino-pants/id\\_364128?attributes=567,1242,44257,45133,48354,52957](https://www.landsend.com/products/school-uniform-girls-iron-knee-blend-plain-front-chino-pants/id_364128?attributes=567,1242,44257,45133,48354,52957)

Kids Regular (4-16): Item #528965BR5

Kids Slim (7-16): Item #528966BRX

Kids Plus (7-16): Item #528963BR6

Regular (0-16): Item #403664BR2

Tall (0-16): Item #419921BR4

Plus (16W-26W): Item #461725BR7 **SHORTS** – Khaki, Plain Front Blend Chino, 6 inches from the ground when kneeling, **LABELED with Scout's Name**

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Kids Regular (2-16): Item #528427BR6

Kids Slim (4-16): Item #528423BR8

Kids Plus (7-16): Item #528424BR2

Adult Regular (6-16): Item #403782BR3

Adult Tall (sizes 0-16): Item #419726BR1

Adult Plus (sizes 16W-24W): Item #489036BR2

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Shop our School Uniform Girls Iron Knee Blend Plain Front Chino Pants at Lands' End. We fit every body

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**POLOS** – (two) white with **no more than 4 white** buttons, NO pocket or logo,

***LABELED with Scout's Name***

Flag patch (provided) sewn on left sleeve 1 inch from shoulder seam  
Snap or Velcro on right shoulder  
Mackinac patch (provided) sewn centered on left side of chest

**SASH** - khaki, with appropriate insignia as listed below,

***LABELED with Scout's Name***

Include: \* Velcro or snap to attach to polo shirt  
\*Council Patches  
\*Troop Crest  
\*Troop Number  
\*World Association pin  
\*GS pin

**BROWN SHOES** - not boots, not cut high, no open backs, no holes on the top (like sandals or Mary Jane-type), conservative, ***LABELED with Scout's Name***

**RAIN PONCHO** – Clear, ***LABELED with Scout's Name packed in a gallon Ziploc bag and written on the bag with a marker should be the Scout's Name and her Patrol name***

**SOCKS** – (two pairs) khaki, ***LABELED with Scout's Name & Piece of Ribbon across toes***  
[http://www.landsend.com/products/mens-seamless-toe-cotton-crew-socks-3-pack/id\\_278957?sku\\_0=:BLA](http://www.landsend.com/products/mens-seamless-toe-cotton-crew-socks-3-pack/id_278957?sku_0=:BLA)

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**SWEATSHIRT** – White, loaned to Scout from troop ***(do not label)***

**JACKET** - Navy, loaned to Scout from troop ***(do not label)***

**WRISTWATCH** - neutral color watchband

Use plain rubber bands or barrettes, etc. that are natural colored when tying hair back.  
No bows, ribbons, or colorful, decorative hair accessories.

Simple, natural makeup

One ring per hand, stud-type earrings only, **NO** necklaces

We will wear any combination of these uniform parts on the Island, as decided by Leadership throughout the day.

If you would like to have more than one pair of pants or shorts, you may of course, order them, but it is not necessary as we do laundry every evening.

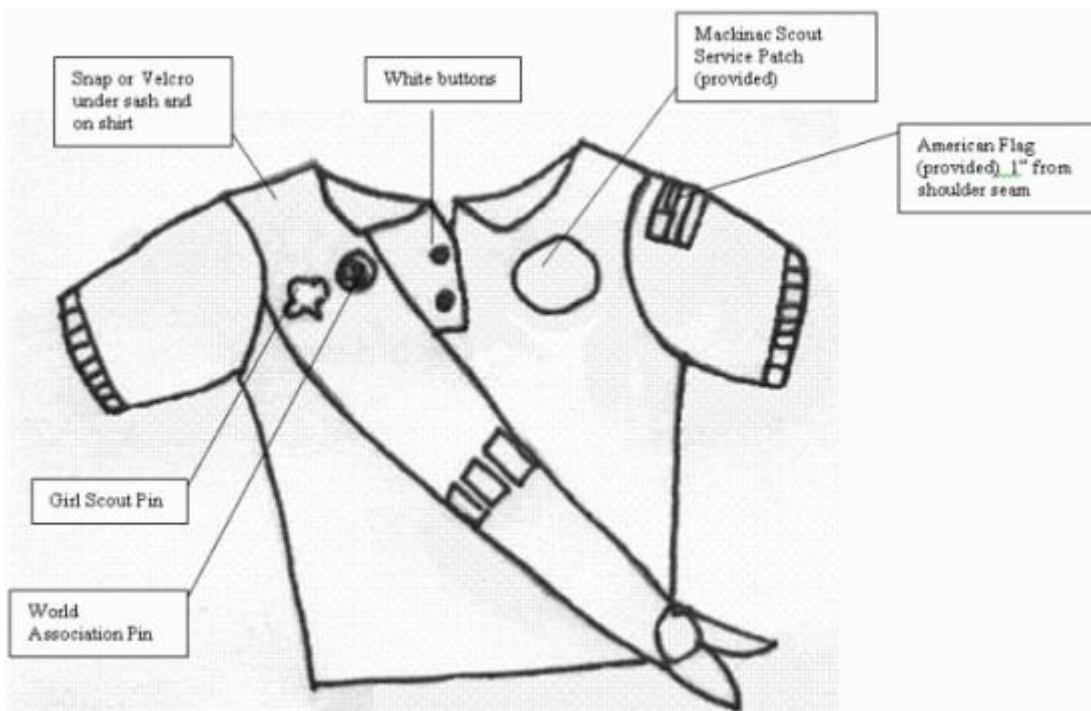
**ALL uniform parts must be labeled with your name before they will be approved and checked off. This includes your shoes!**

All Scouts will have their uniforms checked off at the April overnight meeting.

You are expected to have all uniform parts with you, ready to be checked at that time. Try on and order all necessary parts before this meeting. If your pants are not hemmed correctly or your patches are not sewn on, you will be staying up late at that meeting to sew. You will have to try on all parts of your uniform in order for them to be approved, so please make sure they fit ahead of time. You will not get "partial credit" for uniform parts. You MUST have BOTH polos at the same time, labeled and with patches and Velcro/snap. You MUST have BOTH pairs of socks at the same time, labeled and with ribbon sewn in place. Pants MUST be hemmed.

**If you will not be at the April meeting, you are expected to have your entire uniform at the March meeting.**

Patches will be handed out to new girls at the Feb 3rd meeting. This will provide opportunity for the patches to be sewn onto your polos prior to the April meeting. White sweatshirts & navy jackets will be handed out to everyone at the meeting in April.



A photo of the layout for our sash is on our Weebly website under the uniform tab.

<http://mackinac327.weebly.com/sample-sash.html>



If you have any questions, please call or email  
Mrs. G before the uniform check  
at 734-306-1280 or [lhesch@gmail.com](mailto:lhesch@gmail.com)





## **TRANSPORTATION** (Cathy Oglesby oglesbyc74@gmail.com)

**DRIVERS:** Transportation to and from Mackinaw City is by chartered bus. Because bus space is limited, private vehicles also are needed for the trip to the ferry (new Scouts and Leadership ride on the bus). To ensure that we have enough vehicles to transport Scouts and our food, program, craft and housekeeping supplies, it is essential that the Mackinac Island Transportation Form be completed in full and submitted by January 13<sup>th</sup>. Drivers of private cars will receive \$50.00 from the Troop fund toward their gas costs.

### **SCOUTS NOT TRAVELING WITH THE TROOP:**

**If Scout Will Meet Troop In Mackinaw City on June 15, 2024:** Please arrive at Shepler's dock no later than 11:30 a.m. in order to board the ferry with the Troop. Please remember that Scouts need to be in full uniform (long pants) and will need their jacket.

**If Scout Will Be Picked Up On Mackinac Island on June 22, 2024:** Please arrive at Shepler's dock on the Island by 9:30 a.m. Scout's luggage will be there with a tag labeled "ISLAND." When you pick up your luggage, please remove the tag and return it to one of the Advisors.

**NOTE:** Scouts march together from the Barracks to the dock for our departure. Please do not request that the Scout be allowed to leave from the Barracks, nor that she be left unattended at the dock to be met later by a parent or guardian. This arrangement is both dangerous and inconvenient.

**If Scout Will Be Picked Up In Mackinaw City on June 22, 2024:** Please arrive at Shepler's dock in the City by 10:00 a.m. Scout's luggage will be at the dock with a tag labeled "CITY." When you pick up your luggage, please remove the tag and return it to one of the Advisors.

**CHANGE IN TRAVEL PLANS:** If your plans change subsequent to submitting the Form, please complete a new Transportation Form -- marked REVISED and the new date -- and give it directly to the Transportation Advisor. To ensure sufficient transportation to and from Mackinaw City, final travel plans must be received by the Transportation Advisor no later than at our last General Meeting on **June 1, 2024**. Because of the many components in this process, we are unable to accommodate changes requested after that date, including any changes asked for on the Island.

**LUGGAGE ALLOWANCE:** Each Scout is allowed no more than three pieces of luggage. No wheels allowed.

- 1) Duffel Bag for clothes (height, width, and length, when added together, should not exceed 60")
- 2) Small Duffel Bag for sleeping bag or bedroll (plastic bags are not permitted)
- 3) Backpack for her purse, lunch, jacket, poncho, small pillow for the bus ride, etc.

**LUGGAGE TAGS:** Public transportation has stringent safeguards in place. Shepler's Ferry requires their passengers to have a tag on each piece of luggage clearly showing your:

Name (and, for our Scouts, "Troop #327")

Complete Address

Area Code and Telephone Number

**PHONE TREE:** In the event parents need to be contacted about arriving home earlier or later than planned, we will ask for a parent from each patrol to volunteer to call the other parents in your daughter's patrol to advise of the time change. Each of the four Phone Tree parents will be contacted if they are needed to make phone calls.

He who would travel happily must travel light.  
- Antoine de Saint Exupéry



## MACKINAC ISLAND PACKING LIST

**Label Everything** with your **Name AND Troop #327** (including socks, flashlight, games, iPod, etc.)

**Only 3 Pieces** Duffel Bag for clothes (height, width, and length, when added together, should not exceed 60")

**of Luggage:** Small Duffel Bag for sleeping bag or bedroll (no plastic bags on outside of duffel please)  
Backpack (see Required Items, below)

REQUIRED ITEMS	OPTIONAL ITEMS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> All Uniform Pieces (including white sweatshirt)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Alarm Clock (Required for Leadership)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Wristwatch</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Closed-toed Shoes for Busy Day &amp; Service Project</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag or Bedroll</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Fitted Sheet (single) to cover mattress</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Pajamas</li>   <li><input type="checkbox"/> Toiletry Articles (including soap, shampoo, sanitary supplies, etc.)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bath Towel, Hand Towel, Washcloth</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Shower Shoes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen (no aerosol) &amp; Chap stick with SPF</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Jeans or Casual Long Pants</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Shorts</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> T-Shirts or Shirts (no halters or tube tops) <i>Don't forget your Patrol T-shirt</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Warm Shirt or Heavy Sweater</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Underwear</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Extra Shoes and Socks</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Old Work Clothes (for service project)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Seniors Only:</b> Sun Dress and Flat Shoes (DANCE!)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> "Secret Pal" gifts you may have already purchased</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Plastic Dinner Plate</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Leadership kaper &amp; duty cards (turn in on Friday)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Hangers (5 or 6, plastic or wire)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Snacks for Bus Ride</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Plastic Bag for dirty clothes</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Camera w/charger</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Paper and Pencil</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Small Games</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Deck of Cards</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Pillow (if not packed in your luggage, <i>it must fit in your backpack</i>)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Craft Projects</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Tennis Racquet</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Baseball Glove</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle Helmet (<b>REQUIRED</b> for bike riding)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Plate Design</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Hair Blower / Curling Iron <i>(can only be used downstairs in barracks)</i></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Book to read</li>   <li><input type="checkbox"/> Mosquito Repellent (no aerosol)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> iPod/MP3 with earbuds (for free time only)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Luggage Lock for your gear</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Item to tie-dye (no sweats)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/></li> </ul>
	<b>DO NOT BRING</b>
	Cell Phone - <b>IT WILL BE CONFISCATED</b> <b>And You Will Be Sent Home</b> ☹️ Dressy Clothes Gum  <b>NO FOOTLOCKERS OR SUITCASES</b>
<b>REQUIRED ITEMS IN BACKPACK</b>	<b>PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Navy Blue Uniform Windbreaker w/insignia</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Clear Rain Poncho</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Lunch w/Beverage</li> </ul> <p style="margin-top: 10px;">If you bring a pillow on the bus, it must fit into your backpack. You will wear your backpack marching from the dock to the Barracks upon arrival &amp; back to the dock upon departure.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Remember, you are in uniform most of the time  <b>SO PACK LIGHTLY</b>            (just the bare necessities).</p>
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p><b>Leave room to bring home souvenirs and crafts</b></p> </div> </div>