

Family Week Packing List



CONCORDIA
LANGUAGE VILLAGES

SUGGESTED PACKING LIST

Your stay at Concordia Language Villages will be easier if you have the things needed to live, play and learn effectively while at the Villages. As you pack, keep in mind northern Minnesota's summer can be quite warm and rather cold. Therefore, bring clothes and bedding which can be layered. Also, because the program is outdoors, bring shoes and clothes appropriate for the environment. Additional tips include:

- Most airlines have implemented strict new regulations regarding luggage. Please be sure to check with your airline about these regulations to avoid additional fees.
- Remember as you pack, we ask that villagers be able to carry their own luggage; storage space for personal belongings is limited; spring water is available for purchase in the Village stores.
- Your Village does not have laundry facilities; therefore, you need enough clothing to last your entire stay.
- Storage space in Villages is limited, so please don't overpack. Villagers should be able to carry their own luggage.
- Mark your clothing with your name. Our lost-and-found-department returns things with names in/on them.

- Bring one set of dress clothes (dress shirt, dress pants, dress) for special occasions.
- Village life continues even in the rain — bring rain gear, including coat, pants and footwear!
- We try to keep our impact on the natural setting of the Villages to a minimum. Check that your soap and shampoo are biodegradable and/or have a low phosphate level. Appropriate soaps are biodegradable, natural soaps (not synthetic detergents) that do not contain phosphorous or ammonium lauryl sulfate.
- Insect repellent (approximately 30% DEET) is ESSENTIAL, as mosquitoes are a fact of life in northern Minnesota.

You will go through customs as you enter your Village. We encourage you to bring books, CDs and other items in the language of your Village or appropriate to the cultures of your Village.

Villagers of French Voyageur and English will receive different packing lists.

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Bring enough of these to last for your one-week sessions:

_____	_____	socks
_____	_____	underwear
_____	_____	pajamas
_____	_____	T-shirts
_____	_____	pants, shorts

Have these to use as needed:

_____	_____	sweatshirt
_____	_____	jacket
_____	_____	hat with sun-protecting brim
_____	_____	bathing suit
_____	_____	shoes — at least two pairs (one that can get dirty/muddy)
_____	_____	summer sandals
_____	_____	one set of dress clothes
_____	_____	rain gear
_____	_____	2 towels and 1 washcloth
_____	_____	bag in which to store dirty clothing (not a plastic garbage bag)

Personal supplies:

_____	_____	Village passport
_____	_____	sunscreen (at least SPF 30)
_____	_____	insect repellent (approx. 30% DEET)
_____	_____	toothbrush and toothpaste
_____	_____	water bottle
_____	_____	shampoo supplies
_____	_____	bar soap
_____	_____	personal toiletries
_____	_____	flashlight with extra batteries
_____	_____	stationery, stamps, pen, pencil, address book
_____	_____	backpack (something in which to carry items while at the Village)
_____	_____	camera and film (optional)

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Bedding:

_____	_____	twin-sized sheets
_____	_____	3 blankets (bunk-bed size) or open sleeping bag
_____	_____	pillow and pillowcases

Medication:

_____	_____	enough daily medication to last your entire stay
_____	_____	medication in original containers: medication with labels in other languages should be translated to English before arrival

Optional items that may come in handy:

_____	_____	books in the Village language
_____	_____	cultural clothing
_____	_____	water socks
_____	_____	lip balm and hand lotion
_____	_____	extra paper, notebook
_____	_____	hiking boots
_____	_____	fanny pack
_____	_____	shower sandals

Alcohol and illegal substances are forbidden at the Villages.

Possession and/or use and/or distribution are grounds for dismissal from the program and any associated expense will be the responsibility of parents or guardians.

Concordia Language Villages will make every effort to find lost articles, but please recognize that it is sometimes difficult to locate forgotten articles after a session is over and a new session has begun. We encourage you to use this checklist when you pack prior to your Village stay and when you pack to return home.