

# **Luggage Information**

We recommend large duffel-style bags for campers' luggage (example here).

Choose one of four options to get luggage to and from camp:

- 1. Camp Kawaga's Luggage Service
- 2. ShipCamps
- 3. FedEx/UPS
- 4. Bags Under the Bus

Once you have identified which way your camper's luggage will get to and from camp, please confirm your arrangements by completing and submitting the Transportation and Luggage Form by May 1st.

#### 1. Camp Kawaga Luggage Service

Kawaga utilizes a convenient, in-house service for transporting campers' bags to and from camp. For a fee of \$150 for one-way service or \$300 for a round trip, we will transport two duffel bags and one personal item (e.g., a hockey stick) per camper. To use this service, parents must drop off their child's bags at the Embassy Suites - 1445 Lake Cook Rd, Deerfield, IL 60015 at the required time.

- First Session Drop-Off: Saturday, June 14th between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm.
- Second Session Drop-Off: Saturday, July 12th between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm.

On the return trip, bags will be delivered to the camper bus pick-up location (Embassy Suites in Deerfield) one hour before the campers' arrival. This service allows parents and campers to travel without worrying about heavy bags and logistics, ensuring a smooth and enjoyable camp experience.















### 2. ShipCamps

#### **How Ship Camps Works**

At Ship Camps, we make getting your child's luggage, boxes, and trunks to camp easier than it's ever been - allowing your child to travel hassle-free to camp every summer.



1. Book

Getting started is simple. Schedule your child's shipment online or over the phone and start shipping to camp!



2. Ship

Pack and securely attach your provided shipping label to your child's camping gear. We'll pick up your bags or you can drop them off.



3. Travel

Skip the airport hassle and save time as you bypass bag check and baggage claim. Track your child's bags every step of the way.



4. Camp!

Your child will arrive at camp to find their gear already there! Time to get settled in and start making memories.

Kawaga has partnered with Ship Camps to make baggage delivery to and from camp easier for everyone. Ship Camps offers round-trip, door-to-door service with outstanding customer support and an experienced operations team that ensures on-time delivery, continuous baggage monitoring and tracking as well as detailed coordination with our camp staff. For these reasons, we recommend that you use Ship Camps, our preferred baggage handling solution.

Setup with Ship Camps is quick, taking just a few minutes. You can click <a href="here">here</a> or call 855.540.2267 to book the service. Once setup is complete, Ship Camps will mail you your shipping labels, pick your bags up from home prior to the camp session AND drop off at your desired location after camp.

# 3. FedEx/UPS

For families who prefer to ship their bags to and from camp independently, Camp Kawaga allows the use of third-party shipping services such as FedEx or UPS. However, parents are required to arrange and pay for the shipping independently. To ensure the smooth delivery of their bags to camp, you must share all shipping information with parents@kawaga.com at least 2 weeks in advance of the start date of your son's session. If campers wish to use this service for their return home, they must also provide the necessary return shipping labels to Camp. Upon the conclusion of the camping session, the camp staff will attach the shipping labels to the camper's bags and oversee the pickup process. Kawaga cannot guarantee the on-time arrival of campers' luggage shipped through any third-party shipping provider.















## 4. Bags Under the Bus

Families who wish to have their camper's luggage transported under the bus must receive pre-approval from our administrative team. Due to limited space, this option is available on a case-by-case basis.

To request approval, please email **parents@kawaga.com** as soon as possible.

There is a \$200 fee (one-way) for this service.

We strongly encourage families to explore alternative luggage transport options, as space under the bus is extremely limited.

All fees for baggage and ground transportation will be invoiced on or around June 1, 2025 and are non-refundable.











