Personal Canoeing Gear List

Everything is in one of three places: On your body, in your boatpack, or in your duffle.

Wear:
- swimming suit
- Troop (red) t-shirt
- "wet shoes" that will stay on your feet and protect toes (closed-toes, strap or tie on; no flip flops)
- hat with brim
- sunglasses with a tie-on
- bandanna to tie (wet) around your neck to keep cool

Bring
- Signed permission slip
- Brown-bag lunch plus snacks
- Wallet to give to "the banker" for safe keeping
- Meds—if you use them—to give to "the medic" for safe keeping

Bring a small boatpack with:
- string or rope to tie everything to boat
- sunscreen
- full canteen
- bug repellant (DEET)
- rain gear (a rainsuit is best; NO ponchos)
- long sleeve shirt (or sweat shirt or a light jacket) in a plastic bag
- pocket knife
- some snack candy to share (something that won’t melt)
- ???your lunch (how will you keep this dry?)
- do you need (dry) toilet paper?

Optional:
- Paddle (put your name on it)
- PFD (put your name on it) with whistle
- ??tacklebox/fishing pole (you’ll also need a fishing license if you are 16 or over)
- camera—only the kind that will work in the wet
- boat sponge or boat bailer

Duffle bag – with garbage bag inside to keep your stuff dry
- Bedding: 1–2 blankets or a lightweight bag (do NOT bring a heavy bag; you don’t need it). Pack this so that—no matter what!—it will stay dry for 8 days. Really; be sure.
- Small folding chair. Do NOT bring anything electronic, or anything someone will want to steal or anything you can’t afford to loose.
- Bring “dry shoes” other than those you’ll wear in the canoe. Dry socks. (Yes, you must have two pairs of shoes.)