

**UT McDonald Observatory Visitors Center
Summer 2005 Teacher Professional Development Workshop**

SUGGESTED PACKING LIST

Technology:

- If you have a wireless laptop, please bring it with you.

Clothes:

- Light colored, long or short sleeved shirts. Long sleeves provide more UV protection.
- Comfortable walking shorts, jeans.
- Jacket and/or sweatshirt (good for layering- the temperature changes rapidly)
- Hat
- Closed-toe, comfortable walking shoes (This is a safety issue when you visit the telescopes or observe at night.)
- Rain jacket/shirt/pancho (let's hope these aren't necessary!)
- Warm socks

Other:

- Personal toiletries Indian Lodge bathroom soap is very basic, and shampoo is not supplied. The Visitors Center Gift Shop does not sell toiletries.
- Body lotion This is a very dry climate- skin dries out even indoors.
- Sunscreen The observatory is at 6800 ft elevation- it is easy to sunburn.
- Lip balm w/sunscreen
- Bath towel (if you want an extra one)
- Back pack/day pack for carrying materials and personal items to the Observatory each day. We have large "cubby holes" in the classroom for your things, although they are not lockable.
- Flashlight with extra batteries. The Gift Shop does not sell batteries.
- Calculator
- Notepad – pen/pencil.
- Camera and film. The Visitors Center Gift Shop sells disposable cameras as well as film ASA200 & 400
- Binoculars are excellent for scanning the night sky and/or daytime use – but are not a requirement.
- Personal telescope (not required) – only if you have one already and want to bring it.
- Water bottle
- Important medications
- Small snack items that do not require refrigeration.