

Porcupine Mountains Backpacking Trip Itinerary

August 25-29, 2014

13-16 year olds

Monday, August 25 – *Drop off at Monona Campus (See you Friday!!)*

We will go through our gear and pack the backpacks with personal and group gear. Then, we will load the bus and drive to the Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park, eating lunch on the bus (bag lunch) on the way up. We will pick up our permits and camp at the Union Bay Campground, where we will get to know each other and break in our packs on a hike along Lake Superior.

Tuesday, August 26

We will tear down camp, load the bus and drive to the Lake Superior Trail trailhead. We will hike to a campsite along the lake (5 miles max, depending on the campsite chosen). We will set up camp along Lake Superior and enjoy some time by the great lake.

Wednesday, August 27

We will tear down camp and pack our backpacks, and continue along the Lake Superior Trail to the Big Carp River. We will set up camp for the night between the Big Carp and Little Carp Rivers, and will do some day hiking along the Big Carp River.

Thursday, August 28

We will tear down camp and pack our backpacks, and hike back the way we came, along the Lake Superior Trail. We will set up camp along Lake Superior and enjoy some time by the lake.

Friday, August 29 – *Pick up at Monona Campus*

We will tear down camp and pack our backpacks, and finish our hike back to the Lake Superior Trail trailhead. Here, we will load up the bus and head back to ALNC, stopping in Stevens Point for some delicious pizza we all will have earned! We will arrive at ALNC, unpack the gear, share stories and be ready for pickup at 4:00pm.

Severe Weather Plan:

On Monday night, we will be staying in a Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park which will have shelters. If needed, we will use shelters in case of severe weather. If we are out on the trails when severe weather strikes, trip leaders are trained and will go over trailside procedures with all of the campers and will safely take shelter where available. Leaders will assess the weather daily and delay departure or change plans as needed. Closest city is Silver City, MI for watching weather reports.

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