

## ***Suggested Packing List***

Please consider the (\*) items for your “day pack”.

### **Clothes**

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

### **Other**

- \*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; however, they are not lockable.
- Composition Notebook
- \*Personal toiletries
- \*Water bottle
- \*Important medications
- \*Skin moisturizer - the Davis Mountains are inside a desert region where humidity gets below 10%.
- \*Sunscreen - more UV at the Observatory's 6800 ft elevation.
- \*Lip balm with sunscreen
- \*Flashlight with extra batteries. The Gift Shop does not sell batteries.
- \*Binoculars - excellent for scanning the night sky and/or daytime use.
- \*Small snack items that do not require refrigeration.
- Bath towel (if you want an extra one)
- Pillow and blankets (not required, but may make you more comfortable away from home).
- Personal telescope (not required) - only if you have one already and want to bring it and can operate it yourself.
- \*Any documentation or materials related to educational standards in your area of work. For example, if you are a classroom teacher, you may wish to bring grade level specific TEKS.
- Tripod for cameras or binoculars.