



PRACTICAL NECESSITIES

Welcome to the '20-'21 school year at The Frederick Gunn School! Below is a list of items that we recommend boarding students bring to campus with them in September.

CHECK LIST

Bedding (Twin XL)

- 1 pillow
- Blanket/quilt
- 2 sets of sheets
- 1 mattress pad

Twin XL beds are 38 inches wide by 80 inches or 96.5cm x 203.5cm.

Toiletries

- 2 bath towels
- 2 hand towels
- 2 washcloths
- Shower Caddy
- Personal care supplies
- Shampoo, soap, toothbrush, etc.

Clothing

- Clothing suitable for cold and warm weather
- Outdoor hiking boots/trail sneakers
- [Dress code](#) clothing
- Rain gear (umbrella, raincoat, rain boots)
- Water Bottle
- Portable Camping Chair/'Crazy Creek' Chair

Dorm Room Supplies

- Clothes hangers
- Surge protector/power strip
- Alarm clock
- Non-halogen desk lamp
- Window or box fan
- 10 washable two-layer cotton masks with initials
- Hand sanitizer
- Thermometer
- Backpack

Technology Needs

- Laptop
- Webcam (if needed)
- Earphones/headset
- Extra computer charger

See document linked below for more specific information.

All articles of personal bedding, blankets, linens, etc. should be plainly and permanently marked with the student's name.

DORM ROOM SPECIFICS

Each room is furnished with the basic necessities. There is also ample provision for decoration and electrical devices, so we ask that occupants of these rooms do not tape, nail, or tack their hangings onto, or into, the walls or doors. We request non-permanent adhesives. As mandated by fire safety regulations, refrigerators, TV sets, electric heaters, coffee makers, popcorn poppers, and hot-pots are prohibited. Monitors should be less than 34 inches. Finally, students are permitted one 6 foot heavy duty extension cord. It must be equipped with a surge protector (you can find these at local department stores or hardware stores). Curtains are provided by the School and may not be removed/replaced by students.

DORM ROOM STARTER PACKAGE

We are aware that many students are not able to procure the above items before arriving on campus due to their mode of transportation. With this in mind, the Dean of Students office is able to supply 'Starter Packages' for students. These bundles include: a set of basic twin XL sheets, blanket, pillow, towel, fan, hangers, and basic toiletries. The price for the Bundle is \$75 and student accounts will be charged. If you are interested, please email dos@frederickgunn.org and we will reserve a bundle for you.

REFRIGERATORS

Only Residential Advisors, Campus Contribution Managers, Head Tour Guides, Gunn Society members, and Prefects may keep small refrigerators. All refrigerators should be less than 4.5 cubic feet. Those with a medical need for a refrigerator should contact the Health Center (healthdept@frederickgunn.org).

LAUNDRY

In planning your school wardrobe, it is important to remember the [laundry service](#), which is optional by highly recommended. E&R Laundry will send communication to boarding families over the summer if you are interested in signing up. The laundry is picked up on Monday and returned on Thursday of the same week. Thus, a student should have adequate clothing for a two-week



period. In addition, there are coin-operated washer and dryer facilities in the basement of many of the dorms which may be used by students. Please contact Bonnie Hartz (hartzb@frederickgunn.org) in the Housekeeping department if you have any questions about the laundry service.

ALLOWANCES

A personal account may be set up at the School Store/Bank on Registration Day from which to draw allowances. As there is little to spend one's money on while The Frederick Gunn School is in session, \$50 seems an adequate (and average) weekly supply of cash to budget, with \$100 per trip recommended for travel expenses for those occasional weekends away from school in addition to bus, cab, or airline fares. Any amount withdrawn over \$50 weekly must be signed off by the Dean of Students. If you have questions about your child's debit account, please contact Deborah Doody (doodyd@frederickgunn.org) in the School Store.

Our living situation here is one which does not necessitate either large sums of money or valuable possessions. We cannot forbid the use of expensive equipment or the possession of too much cash, but we cannot be responsible for their loss. The Frederick Gunn School does provide door locks on every dormitory room for security, but it is recommended to have a small lock box for valuables.

TEXTBOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

To purchase textbooks, please follow this link to our [School Store webpage](#). You will find information on this page to order books and any other important requirements for your classes. Please be sure to order textbooks before classes begin in September. In regards to supplies, please purchase basic classroom necessities -- folders, paper, notebooks, pens, pencils, ruler, etc. Any specific items that are needed will be communicated to students during their first week of school and will be available to purchase from our School Store.

TECHNOLOGY

Students should bring their own personal computers to campus with them this year. For details about personal computers, please view information on our [Student Technology Recommendations](#) page. We would encourage students to have a full feature laptop that is only 2-3 years old, and we would discourage the use of Chromebooks. Additionally, we recommend students to bring with them earphones or a headset, and webcams and extra chargers are optional. Lastly, we also encourage students to label their devices and all the accompanying components. If you have any questions or need additional support, please feel free to reach out to edtech@frederickgunn.org.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

To help maximize the health and safety of our community, all students will need to bring 10 two-layer cotton masks (with initials), a thermometer, hand sanitizer, water bottle, and a window/box fan that can aid with ventilation. Every student will need to practice good health hygiene, including keeping their dorm rooms clean. With this in mind, we are asking families to not bring extra items, including dorm furniture, as this will assist with keeping rooms tidier. Additionally, storage space is minimized by fire regulations and none of our rooms are large enough to accommodate superfluous items.

SHIPPING TO CAMPUS

If you would like to ship items to campus prior to your child's arrival, please feel free to do so. Please make sure that boxes are clearly labeled with your child's name and addressed to:

*The Frederick Gunn School
Attn: Student Name
99 Green Hill Rd.
Washington, CT 06793*