

IMPORTANT INFORMATION 2011

Camper arrival day is **WEDNESDAY, June 29th** Camp closes **TUESDAY, August 16th**
Change over day for the 3 ½ week season is **SATURDAY, July 23th**

TRANSPORTATION: We must know in advance how your child is coming to camp. Please return the enclosed white *Transportation Form, even if you are driving.* For campers arriving by auto, arrive between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm on **Wednesday, June 29;** and between 1pm and 4pm on **Saturday 7/23.** Campers departing by auto on **Saturday 7/23** or **Tuesday 8/16** should be picked up between 8am and 11am.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS: A print friendly detail of driving directions to camp is located on the website via the parent section. Please allow ample time when traveling over weekend days.

DONATIONS: If you are driving and have room in your car, we would accept any of the following donations:

1. Books for our library & Junior Unit
2. Costumes (crazy clothes and old prom dresses) to add to our frequently used costume box
3. Outgrown clean green and white camp uniforms
4. Games or puzzles for the Health Center (complete sets only please)

BAGGAGE: Shipping baggage via **UPS** (United Parcel Service) should be initiated by June 15 or July 8. **Trunks are not permitted on camp chaperoned buses or vans.**

COLORED LABELS: Colored labels mailed in May must be adhered to all baggage and trunks. This will expedite sorting at Wyonegonic and includes trunks and baggage arriving with you in your car.

VALUABLES FROM TRAVEL: passports, return air tickets, cell phones, all electronics and travel money must be given to the cabin counselor upon arrival for security and safe keeping in the Wyonegonic Office.

MAILING ADDRESS: Camper's name, (**Unit**), Wyonegonic Camps, 215 Wyonegonic Road, Denmark, ME. 04022. (**Unit designation is important; Senior, Intermediate, Junior, or CIT**)

MAIL: Campers are expected to write parents at least once a week. Be patient because mail is slow. It is normal for girls to write homesick letters and feel separation pangs. Most campers are well adjusted and busy during the day. Reply to them with calm and happy letters. Use words like "love" instead of "miss." Call Carol Sudduth if homesickness lingers after 10 days. It is important for campers to receive mail from you weekly; twice a week is recommended. (Daily letters are not recommended as they often cause anxiety and homesickness.)

Please review USPS guidelines with your daughter such as: the correct way to address an envelope; envelopes must be a certain size; putting paper only in an envelope; use blue or black ink. A postage meter is used to stamp all campers' outgoing mail. The meter has red ink and does not show up on dark-colored envelope stock, therefore white envelopes are best.

E-MAIL: Please use **info@wyonegonic.com** for business use only. We send weekly newsletters electronically so it is important for us to have your preferred summer email address. Please also include the Wyonegonic email in your contacts to prevent spam filters from blocking the newsletters.

BUNKI EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE: The intent of this service is to provide international families a way to correspond without relying on the traditional mail system. The service, which provides the ability to send one way emails to a camper is available to all parents. Again, twice a week is recommended and the e-mail will be delivered in our camp mail system. Parents are also able to subscribe to another part of the service which allows their daughter to write a letter, have it faxed to a designated phone number, where it is converted to email and delivered to the parent. This service includes fees. Go to Bunki.com for details. Wyonegonic will provide instruction for Bunki.com use in June.

TELEPHONE: Parents may use the phones for camp business. If you are anxious about your daughter's adjustment, you may call Carol Sudduth. We are in the encampment with the campers much of the time. Therefore, the best time to call is after 9:00 p.m. Campers are not permitted to use the phone.

Office	207-452-2051	Carol, Steve or Susie
Health Center	207-452-2612	Nurses

CAMP BIRTHDAYS: A birthday phone call is acceptable from immediate family. The cabin group will plan something special in honor of the birthday camper. We suggest presents from family be saved until after camp.

VISITING: Please refer to the enclosed *Visitation Policy* page.

MEALS OUT: When you visit you may take **your own daughter** out for a meal. Please do not request to take other children. If relatives wish to take a child out of camp because parents are unable to visit, we must have written permission in advance (refer to the enclosed *Permission Form*).

HORSEBACK RIDING: Riding requires a parent/guardian authorization. Please refer to the enclosed *Riding Agreement* located on the backside of the *Permission Form*.

GRATUITIES: Gifts to staff and counselors are not allowed, as stated by the American Camp Association.

CHURCH: Wyonegonic has its own non-denominational service every Sunday in our Pine Grove. If you would like your child to attend Catholic Mass in Bridgton, please indicate on the enclosed *Permission Form*. Wyonegonic will arrange for transportation and make a contribution to the Catholic Church.

INSURANCE: As part of tuition, all campers are covered under a blanket camp policy for Health and Accident needs that extend beyond our own Health Center. This policy provides insurance on partial coverage for accidents and sickness. Wyonegonic will process all claims. Pre-existing conditions and meds are not covered in this policy and are the responsibility of the camper's family. Camp will contact parents for insurance issues if necessary.

HEALTH: It is mandatory that everyone in camp returns the green and pink health forms sent in the previous mailing. The form is kept on file in our Health Center and must be complete with parent signature and CURRENT camper history; a doctor's signature and proof of physical exam (since July 1, 2009) is required. Please inform us if your child has been exposed to any communicable disease or head lice. Our camp personnel screen campers upon arrival, but updated information is critical. It is our policy to inform you of any accident or illness that requires a visit to the doctor or more than a one-night stay in our Health Center. ALL MEDICATIONS including over the counter meds or vitamins, must come properly labeled, in their original containers, with a doctor's signature, and instructions translated in English. All medications are locked in the Wyonegonic Health Center.

HOSPITAL: Our nurses follow standing orders from a doctor associated with the Bridgton Hospital, 15 minutes away. If necessary, we also use Central Maine Hospital in Lewiston. In the event the parent cannot be reached, it is understood that the directors and the camp nurses have the authority to act upon the recommendation of an attending physician in case of medical treatment or surgical necessity.

BEDDING: We furnish ALL bedding including pillows. Bath towels are necessary but please realize that large, thick beach towels are difficult to dry, thus we suggest they be left at home.

CLOTHING: *Amerasport* is our official outfitter. Keep in mind, items shown in the catalog are individually printed or embroidered. Allow a minimum of 6 weeks for delivery.

CAMP STORE: Incidentals such as toothbrushes, toothpaste, Wyonegonic postcards, stationary, flashlights and batteries (D or AA) are available at the camp store as replacements during the summer. Camera supplies are not available.