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# WELCOME TO FAMILY CAMPOUTS

Camp Orkila - FALL 2020



## WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY CAMPOUTS AT CAMP ORKILA

Dear Families,

We hope that you, your family, friends, and all those around you are safe and healthy. This summer, due to the impacts of COVID-19, rather than operate our traditional youth overnight program we provided cabin rentals to household groups. For many, camp provided an important opportunity to explore nature and connect with loved ones.

This fall, we will continue to offer cabin rentals, or “family campouts.” Guests can challenge themselves on our zipline and participate in drop-in activities, ranging from arts & crafts to archery. In addition, we will offer a selection of family led activities from scavenger hunts to frisbee golf.

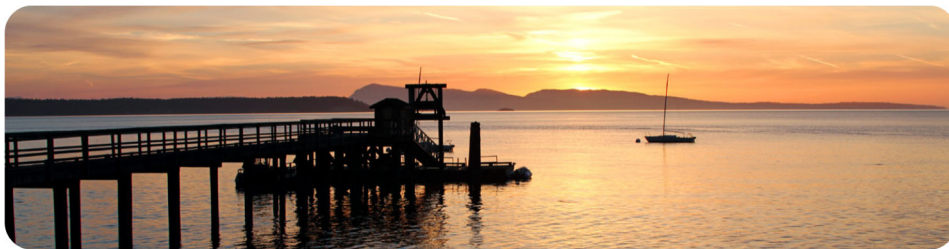
At Orkila, your health and safety are our top priorities. We will continue to work with national and local agencies to enact measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Families, staff and volunteers will complete health screenings, including temperature checks for each day at camp. Structured activities will be very limited. Activities are designed to facilitate physical distancing and structured cleaning.

A group will reserve their own cabin for the duration of their stay. Cabins will be cleaned and disinfected between each use. Meals will either be grab and go (you can pick up your meal at the dining hall and take it back to your cabin’s picnic table) or follow procedures related to Washington State’s Phased Reopening Approach. In addition, we will observe federal, state, and county orders around reopening businesses and physical distancing measures.

We believe in the importance of the camp experience, now as much as ever. We hope you take this unique opportunity to explore a beautiful place, strengthen connections, develop skills and passions, and create confidence and memories together.

The contents of this packet explain in greater detail arrival information, accommodations and meals, program offerings and health and safety information. For additional information, please visit our website at [www.camporkila.org](http://www.camporkila.org), send us an email at [campinfo@seattlemca.org](mailto:campinfo@seattlemca.org) or give us a call at 206.382.5009.

In the Orkila Spirit,  
Dave Affolter  
Executive Director



Current state guidelines require that household cohort group camping where members of a single household occupy a sleeping cabin with a maximum of 10 people per household group, all members of that group must reside at the same address.

## ARRIVAL & CHECK-IN

### BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

Please fill out and return meal and health and safety forms.

### CHECK-IN

For the safety of all, arrival times begin at 4:30pm. Check-out time is 11:00am. . Additional check-in information will be sent out in advance of your arrival.

### DRIVING TO CAMP

If you choose to drive to camp, plan to arrive at the Anacortes Ferry Landing\* at least an hour or two before sailing times listed on the WSDOT ferry schedule. Take any ferry bound for Orcas Island. Please arrive at camp no earlier than 4:30pm. At camp, park in designated areas only. Use the luggage carts provided to transport luggage to your cabin.

**\*NOTE: With limited service, please check sailing schedules before planning your trip. Reservations are encouraged.**

### ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION

Camp will not be providing shuttle service from there ferry or airport drop off locations. To coordinate transport from these locations to Camp, please call one of the taxi services on the island in advance of your arrival for best results:

New Orcas Taxi Tours - 360 298 1639  
Orcas Island Scenic Shuttle - 360 298 8414  
Orcas Island Taxi Service - 360 376 8294  
San Juan Transit & Shuttle - 360 378 8887

## ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

### CABINS

**Dederer Center cabins** have heat and electricity, full kitchens and WI-FI, and are more private with four bedrooms that sleep four participants each in bunk beds. They feature two bathrooms, a cozy lounge, and linens provided.

**Main Camp cabins** are more rustic, and are located on the beach or nestled among the trees. Fully enclosed, these house up to 12 participants in bunk beds, participants provide their own linens. Some cabins have electricity; bathroom facilities with showers are a short walk away. If you require electricity for medical reasons, please inquire about availability during registration.



Typical Main Camp Cabin Interior



Main Camp Bathrooms & Showerhouses



Dederer Center Interior

### NUT-FREE CAMP

Due to the prevalence of nut allergies, we strive to make camp a nut-free zone. Please do not bring nut products or anything containing nut oil to camp. Thank you!

### MEALS

**Food service will be limited to the weekends only.** The first meal we provide is dinner on Friday and the last meal is a sack lunch on Sunday. In addition, we will provide you with a cooler for breakfast supplies. To meet physical distancing and health requirements, meals will be served grab-and-go style to be eaten outdoors or in your cabin. Mealtimes will be assigned and we'll ask families to be on time to pick up your meals. Vegetarian options are always available. Please let us know two weeks in advance if you have any special dietary needs. We may have some limitations in these grab and go meals, so please communicate your needs to us asap.

Cabins will be equipped with picnic tables, should you choose to do your own cooking. If food is in your cabin, please be sure it is kept in sealed containers like coolers or Rubbermaid-like bins to reduce the risk of inviting critters in to your cabin.

### SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS

Our dining services staff work hard to provide well-balanced, healthy meals for your stay, including vegetarian options and alternative milks at every meal. However, if you have any food allergies, please bring the appropriate supplements or alternatives and we can keep them in the camp kitchen. No nut products can be stored here, however. Please label them with your name and date.

### CAMP ACTIVITIES

Camp Orkila staff will facilitate our zipline, and we will have drop-in activities ranging from archery to arts and crafts on weekends.

Please expect other activities, both on the weekend and throughout the week, to be self-led. These include scavenger hunts, beach walks and more. We encourage guests to explore the 280 acres of beachfront and forests.



### PACKING SUGGESTIONS

#### EVERYONE SHOULD BRING:

- Thermometer and Pen for health screenings
- Warm clothes (it will be cool in the evenings)
- Warm jacket, hat and gloves
- Rain gear
- Toiletries
- Sunscreen
- Sturdy, comfortable, closed-toe shoes
- Long pants
- Flashlight or head lamp
- Water bottle
- Towel & washcloth
- Pillow
- Sleeping bag/linens for twin-sized bedding\*

#### OPTIONAL ITEMS:

- Camera
- Musical instruments
- Good book
- Swimsuit

Rain or shine, we will have fun in the outdoors. Please come prepared for the weather.

## YMCA CAMP POLICIES

### HEALTH & SAFETY

If anyone in your family is experiencing COVID-like symptoms (fever, persistent cough, shortness of breath, difficulty breathing, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat or new loss of taste or smell) please do not come to camp. Please call to let us know and we can look at rescheduling you or issuing a credit or refund. In most cases, due to physical distancing requirements, families will be required to address any first aid or illness needs. Please contact Y staff if you need support. Participants are required to notify Y staff immediately if any COVID-like symptoms present in any family members during your stay. Camp Orkila staff have the authority to enforce all Camp Orkila rules. Participants refusing to follow camp rules will be asked to leave without refund of program fees.

Thank you for helping keep Camp Orkila a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone!

### CAMP STAFF

Camp Orkila staff are CPR and First Aid certified and equipped with basic first aid supplies. They will assist with minor medical problems (bug bites, minor cuts, etc.). Participants are responsible for any emergency transportation.

For your safety, activity areas such as the waterfront, archery range, climbing tower, and obstacle course are open only when supervised by Camp staff. Additionally, firearms, knives, weapons of any kind, and fireworks are prohibited on Camp property.

### PETS

Only professional, assistive pets are allowed at Family Camp. Please let us know if such a pet will accompany you.

### CABIN UPKEEP

Participants are responsible for tidying their cabins and other areas before departing. Staff will clean and disinfect cabins between all guests. Any additional cleaning required, damage or graffiti, will result in additional fees.

### VEHICLES

Participants may not drive beyond the Camp parking lots unless pre-arranged. Vehicles should remain on roadways, proceed slowly, and not block emergency access.

### PERSONAL PROPERTY

Camp Orkila is not responsible for personal property, personal sports equipment, or vehicles.

### ENVIRONMENT

Live plants, animals and sea life are an important part of the Camp environment and should not be collected or damaged in any way.

### CAMP RULE ENFORCEMENT

Camp Orkila staff have the authority to enforce all Camp rules. Participants refusing to follow Camp rules will be asked to leave without refund of program fees.

### INSURANCE

It is the participant's responsibility to provide his or her own accident and health insurance. The YMCA does not provide any such coverage for participants.

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## CONTACT US!

### YMCA CAMPING & OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP OFFICE

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Eastsound, WA 98245  
360.376.2678

### EMERGENCY CELL PHONE

360 317 6852

For emergencies only, please! This phone is carried by the Director-on-Duty. If you do not get an answer, please leave a detailed message with your name and number. The Director-on-Duty will get back to you as soon as possible.

### WA STATE FERRIES

1 800 84 FERRY

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## DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO CAMP

- Take **I-5 North to Exit 230**, which is North of Mt. Vernon. The exit will say Burlington, Anacortes, San Juan Ferry.
- Turn **left** at the end of the exit onto **Highway 20**.
- Drive west about 20 miles to Anacortes.
- Follow the signs in Anacortes to the San Juan Ferry.
- When you purchase your ticket at the ferry landing, indicate your destination as Orcas Island. The Anacortes ferry landing is about 90 minutes from Seattle. The ferry ride from Anacortes to Orcas is about 45-80 minutes, depending on the number of stops at other islands.
- When you arrive at Orcas and depart the ferry, turn **left** and stay on the main road (Horseshoe Highway), following the signs to Eastsound for about 10 miles. The road takes a few 90-degree turns along the way — do not be alarmed.
- At Eastsound, the road you are following becomes Lover's Lane. Stay **straight on Lover's Lane**, going toward the airport. Do NOT turn right into town. (If you come to a stop sign, you have gone the wrong way.)
- Just before the airport, the road curves to the right. Do not curve to the right! Instead, turn **left onto Mt. Baker Road**.
- Proceed up the hill about 1 mile.
- Camp Orkila will be on the left, at the end of Mt. Baker Road.
- Drive into camp and follow the signs to the parking lot.
- Welcome!

**\*\*IT IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED THAT YOU MAKE A RESERVATION IF YOU PLAN TO DRIVE ONTO THE FERRY. PLEASE CHECK SAILING SCHEDULES BEFORE TRAVELING, AS REDUCED SCHEDULES ARE IN EFFECT.**

Everyone is welcome. The **YMCA of Greater Seattle** strengthens communities in King and south Snohomish counties through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. **Financial assistance is available.**