

CAMP WYOMOCO

2021 CAMP HANDBOOK



NEW YORK STATE LAW REQUIRES ALL CAMPERS TO HAVE CURRENT IMMUNIZATIONS

Camp must have a copy on file.

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS WE ARE CURRENTLY LOOKING AT OPTIONS FOR OUR HORSE PROGRAMS.

NEW FOR 2021: DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP PROCEDURES ARE CHANGING AND THERE ARE NEW COVID GUIDELINES.

GET IN TOUCH:

Business Office - 36 Center St. Suite B, Warsaw, NY 14569
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Camp Location - 2780 Buffalo Road, Varysburg, NY 14167
Camp Phone - (During camp sessions only) (585) 535-7381

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CAMPER ARRIVAL (GENERAL)

- Registration is Sunday from 1:00PM to 3:00PM in the Dining Hall.
- You will be assigned a drop off time and be sent drop off procedures before your arrival at camp. Please follow these carefully.
- There is no early admission.
- You will not be able to drive your car into the cabin area to unload your belongings. Staff will be available to help campers move in to cabins.
- Please contact the camp office at (585) 535-7381 if you will be arriving late.

PARENT PICK-UP PROCEDURES (GENERAL)

- Pick up is Friday from 4:30PM-5:30PM. There are NO EARLY ARRIVALS. You will be assigned a pick up time and sent pick up procedures to follow.
- Any person(s) picking up must be listed on the Camper(s) registration.
- Check with Camp Nurse to collect any medications.

ANY EARLY PICK UP MUST BE CONFIRMED AT GENERAL REGISTRATION EARLY PICK UP IF RETURNING TO CAMP:

- Follow the general pick up procedures with exception of Nurse.
- Upon returning, go to Camp Office to sign camper(s) back in. **CAMPER**

INFORMATION

REQUIRED TO ATTEND CAMP, NO EXCEPTIONS.

- Physicians form is sent via email and available on the camp website.
- Camper Photo is required during the online registration process.
- Immunization record is REQUIRED by New York State.
- Medication Section is optional, but is required for administering any supplements, over-the-counter and/or prescription medication.
- Parent must authorize the use of Epi-Pens, Inhalers, Sunscreen and insect repellent application by camper.
- Forms must be legible and can be mailed, faxed or uploaded to UltraCamp. Please do not fax or email personal medical information.
- Forms should be returned by **JUNE 1ST, or ASAP**

MEDICATION SECTION- CAMPER INFORMATION FORM

- No supplements, over-the-counter and/or prescription

medication will be allowed without a completed form.

- Physician's signature is required on the form.
- No other form type will be accepted in place of this form.
- All dosage information must be included.
- All supplements, over-the-counter and/or prescription medication must in their original containers and surrendered to Camp Nurse at registration.
- Any supplements, over-the-counter and/or prescription medication will be administered only by the Camp Nurse.
- Campers can self-administer EPI Pens and Inhalers , sunscreen and bug lotion with parental consent.
- No oral medications can be kept in cabins.



PETS (EX. DOGS)

Pets are NOT allowed at camp during registration or pick up.

BALANCES DUE

Due to limited resources during onsite registration, we ask that any outstanding balances due be paid in full through the Business Office prior to each camp session.

PLEASE NOTE IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS

Due to new screening regulations, required camper information should be returned to the business office

NO LATER THAN JUNE 1ST OR ASAP

This allows the camp nurse and staff to properly review and prepare for the arrival, and ensure the health and safety of all our campers.

We appreciate your timely return of this information!

CABINS

- All campers live in rustic cabins supervised by 1 or 2 Counselors.
- Cabins hold 8-14 campers.
- Cabins are assigned based on an age range of no more than 2 years difference.
- There is a Girls and Boys village each with separate bath house including flushing toilets and showers.
- Include an overhead light and two outlets.
- Do not bring items that need to be plugged in.

CABIN-MATE REQUESTS

- Cabin-Mate requests will be honored only when the campers are approximately the same age (no more than 2 years age difference). No more than FOUR co-requests can be honored.
- All CIT campers will be housed with other CIT's.

CAMP MEALS

Campers with medical dietary restrictions that require attention should be noted on the Camper Information Packet and discussed with the Camp Director/Nurse. Supplemental food can be brought to camp if needed. A menu is available upon request.

REFUNDS before the start of camp

If a doctor's certificate is provided stating that the camper is unable to attend camp because of illness or injury, the camp fee, minus the deposit, will be refunded. A letter from a principal or other school official is required for campers who cancel out of a session because they have to attend summer school. The balance, minus the deposit, will be refunded. Refunds for the balance of the camp fee, less the deposit, are made ONLY for cancellations received in writing at least three weeks prior to the opening day of the camp session.

REFUNDS during camp

If the camp nurse and the camp director decide that a camper should be sent home for medical reasons, a refund for the balance of the camp period will be made on a prorated basis, minus deposit, computed as of noon each day. No refunds will be given for camper experiencing a difficult adjustment to camp or is sent home for violation of camp rules or a preexisting condition.

HOMESICKNESS

Every effort will be made to help the camper become adjusted to and enjoy their stay at camp. However, in the event that those attempts fail, you will be called to consult on how to help your child. Staff is trained to assist campers, please encourage your child to talk to staff about any concerns they may have.

PREVENTING HOMESICKNESS

- Never bribe or coerce an unwilling child to camp.
- Avoid statements like "We're really going to miss you" and "if you don't like it, you can come home."
- Speak directly and honestly about homesickness with your child. Make it clear that it is a natural and normal feeling.
- Discuss coping strategies your child can use if he or she feels homesick at camp.
- Write letters to your camper. You may want to send the first letter a day or two before camp, so that it arrives on the first day of camp.

ILLNESS/INJURY

- A health professional is on duty at all times.
- Campers who become ill or injured will be cared for by the health staff in the health lodge.
- A parent will be contacted if a health problem requires further attention and camper needs transported.
- In the event of a health emergency, camper will be taken by ambulance.

TELEPHONE

- The business office is able to handle most questions at (585) 786-2251.
- If your child is at camp and you need to reach the camp directly, please call (585) 535-7381. **NOTE: The camp phone is only available Sunday-Friday during the camp season. **THERE ARE NO STAFF AT CAMP ON SATURDAYS****

VISITING CAMP

- Please refrain from visiting camp, for any reason unless there is an emergency.
- Any person visiting camp must check in at the Camp Office upon arrival.
- At no time are outside visitors permitted on the property without checking with the Camp Office.
- The staff is advised to escort any unknown person to the Camp Office for the safety of the campers.



DAY CAMP

Campers who are signed up for our day camp option should be dropped off by a parent or guardian at 8:30AM, Monday through Friday. Campers should be picked up by an authorized person at the close of day camp activities at 5:00PM. Day campers should sign up for morning classes using the camp application. Activities are assigned on a first come first serve basis. We will try to get your camper in to two of their first four choices. Day campers will join a cabin group for afternoon activities. Day campers will be able to do free swim each day if they choose. Day campers will not participate in evening programs.

Day campers will be provided with a morning snack and lunch while at camp. Day campers must have a completed health form on file with the camp nurse. If your child will need to take medication while at camp they must see the camp nurse. Campers are not able to carry medications with them at camp unless it is an inhaler or epi-pen.

WHAT TO BRING AT DAY CAMP

Please make sure all items are marked with the camper's name.

- WATER BOTTLE
- Change of clothes
- Spare shoes or sandals
- Swim suit and towel
- Sunscreen (non-aerosol)
- Back pack or day pack
- Rain gear depending on weather
- Riding boots & long pants if taking horsemanship
- Fishing pole if taking outdoor skills

Please read the list of items NOT to bring to camp.

CAMPER PHOTOS

- Photos are posted daily from the previous day's activities.
- Photos are only found on our Facebook page. www.Facebook.com/Wyomoco or the Facebook link on our website at www.campwyomoco.com (no account is needed to view the photo gallery).

MAIL

Campers are always eager to get a note from home. -All letters, care packages and other mail should be mailed to: Camper's Name, Camper's Cabin (if you know it at the time of the mailing), 4-H Camp Wyomoco, 2780 Buffalo Road, Varysburg, NY 14167.

-It is a good idea to send mail a day or two in advance of your camper's visit so that it arrives on their first day of camp.

-Please do not send banned items through the mail.

BUNK MAIL - EMAIL YOUR CAMPER

4-H Camp Wyomoco is using UltraCamp for emails to campers. This service is a one-way e-mail service offered through the UltraCamp program. There is an additional fee, set by UltraCamp, for this service. On the UltraCamp Home screen, look for the Additional Options tab and select the email a camper button to send emails to your child at camp. E-mails are received daily at 7AM, printed, and delivered to campers.

Note: Emails that are sent after Friday's 7 AM deadline will not make it to campers.

A TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP *MAY CHANGE DUE TO COVID*

MORNING

- 6:30 AM Polar Bear Swim/yoga
- 7:00 AM Horse Care/Rise and Shine
- 7:45 AM Flag Rising
- 8:00 AM BREAKFAST
- 8:30 AM Cabin Time
- 9:00 AM Morning Activity #1
- 10:10AM SNACK
- 10:20 AM Morning Activity #2
- 11:30 AM Central Camp Time and Hoppers

AFTERNOON

- 12:00 PM LUNCH
- 12:30 PM Cabin Time Roundup
- 1:30 PM Activity Board
- 1:40 PM Afternoon Activity #3
- 2:40 PM Afternoon Activity #4
- 3:40 PM
- 4:30 PM Free Swim
- 5:00 PM Return to Cabins

EVENING

- 5:15 PM Central Camp Time and Hoppers
- 5:30 PM SUPPER
- 6:00 PM Central Camp Time
- 6:15 PM Flag Lowering & Evening Activities
- 9:00 PM Return to Cabins
- 10:00 PM Lights Out

WHAT CAMPERS SHOULD BRING

Suggested for camper: Please label all items with camper's name. Double starred items (**) are essential to bring.

** Please Note: It can get COLD at camp at night even in the summer!

CLOTHING

- Shorts
- T-Shirts
- Jeans
- Sneakers and/or boots
- Heavy jacket or sweater**
- Pajamas
- Raincoat or Poncho
- Socks and underwear
- Bathing suit
- Sandals with heel strap
- Water Shoes**
- WATER BOTTLE****

Everyone should have at least one pair of long pants for hiking. If you have them, bring two bathing suits and an extra pair of old shoes or sneakers. Be sure to bring an ample supply of socks. All campers are encouraged to wear socks! Also bring extra glasses or contacts as needed.

TOILET ARTICLES **

- Bath Towel
- Wash cloth
- Soap in a soapbox
- Toothbrush and paste
- Comb or brush
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Beach Towel
- Shower Sandals
- Plastic Shower Tote

Try to bring unscented toilet articles. The bugs at camp really enjoy scented soaps and shampoos; so don't encourage them to bother you!

CAMP LIFE ITEMS

- Insect Repellent (*non-aerosol*)
- Flashlight (*& extra batteries*)
- Sunscreen (*non-aerosol*)
- Bag for dirty clothes
- Camera (*optional, no cell phones*)
- Notebook and pencil
- Pillow & Pillow Case
- Sleeping bag or bedding**
- Single Bed Fitted Sheet for Bunk
- Backpack/Day Pack

OTHER OPTIONS

Personal Property, including but not limited to musical instruments, fishing poles, and sports equipment, etc. are the camper's responsibility alone and camp is not liable for loss or damage.

- Nice "Dressier" clothes for dance
(ex. a sundress for girls, or polo shirt for boys, dance is not formal)
- Leadership Bandana, if you have one from a previous year.
- Costume & Accessories for Theme Week
- Food is allowed, if stored in animal proof containers
- Travel games

LOST AND FOUND: Please contact the Camp Office if you have a lost item. The Camp will not be responsible if there is a cost associated with returning items. Any unclaimed items will be donated at the end of the camp season.

THINGS YOU MAY NOT BRING TO CAMP

Cell phones, laptops, computers, tablets, DVD players, any electronic device that connects to the internet, lighters, any open flames, weapons of any kind including but not limited to knives, guns, BB guns, sling shops, etc., alcohol, recreational drugs, tobacco products both smoked and chewed, E-cigarettes of any kind including but not limited to vapes, JUULs etc.

Bringing any of the above items to camp will result in immediate dismissal from camp and loss of camp fees. 4-H Camp Wyomoco has a NO TOLERANCE policy regarding contraband items at camp.

Also do not bring Spray cans, expensive cameras, lanterns (unless battery operated), expensive or sentimentally valued jewelry, fans unless battery operated, pets or other animals of any kind unless they are medical service animals.



CELL PHONES AND SIMILAR ELECTRONIC DEVICES ARE NOT ALLOWED AT CAMP.

Parents are expected to make sure their campers do not have cell phones in their possession while at camp. This is for the safety of all our campers. Campers found in possession of cell phones are subject to disciplinary action, as stated in the Camper Code of Conduct, including dismissal from camp.