

IMPORTANT NOTE FROM THE CAMP HEALTH STAFF

Dear Parents,

There will be some changes regarding the administration of medications to your children at Camp. Our new policy is a result of changes in the New York State law as well as our interest in administering medications to your children in the most safe and effective manner.

FORMS- We have streamlined Camp medical forms as much as possible to avoid you duplicating effort when completing them. There are now only two main forms- The Medical/Physical Form and the Non-Prescription Medications Form. Please note a parent AND physician signature are required on both forms, as well as one copy, front and back, of your most recent insurance card. Please make sure to read the new inhaler form. All forms are due back to camp **by May 1st**.

MEDICATIONS

- If your child is receiving any medications, vitamins or supplements, they must be listed with dose and frequency information on the Medical/Physical Form. The Camp nurse will not be able to administer any medications that are not listed on that form.
- All prescription medications must come in an original pharmacy container, with the original label, which cannot be altered in any way. Please ask your pharmacist for an additional bottle with a label that can be used to send medications on trips.
- As always, your child **MUST** turn in all medications to the camp nurse. **NO** medications may remain in the cabins or in the possession of a camper.
- Children with Epi Pens will be allowed to carry these if you prefer and if they have the proper means to carry it. These arrangements can be made upon arrival.
- If your child uses an inhaler, even on “as needed” basis, please send it. We prefer to keep these in the Infirmary so that we are aware of when and how often the child requires it. Even children who have not used their inhaler in some time can exhibit symptoms in a different environment. Please refer to the new inhaler form.
- A list of the over the counter medications used in our Infirmary is included, and must be signed by both a parent and a physician.
- Please send an adequate supply of medications to cover the period of time your child will be at camp.
- International Campers- please be sure all medications are labeled in English. If this is not possible, arrangements can be made to have the prescriptions filled at our local pharmacy.

Thank you very much. We look forward to sharing a wonderful, safe and healthy summer with your children. Please do not hesitate to contact us directly with questions or concerns. The direct phone line to the Infirmary is 518-547-8424.

Sincerely,

The Camp Health Staff