# CAMP PONEMAH

at Hampshire Hills Athletic Club

2020



#### PLEASE SEE COVID-19 INFO ON WEBSITE

We believe that every child who attends Camp Ponemah at Hampshire Hills should leave camp each day with an enhanced feeling of self worth, independence, and general well-being.

e believe every child should participate in a wide variety of fun activities which would stimulate, challenge, and improve their minds and bodies.

we believe that each experience offered should be one which fosters a positive attitude about working with one's peers and adults as well.

e believe that each parent or guardian has the right to expect that their children will return home each night having had a happy, fun and safe experience.





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# **KINDERGARTEN - 7TH GRADE**

#### Camp Hours - Check In: Drop off & Pick Up

Camp hours are 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Please accompany your child to the check in area each morning and pick them up by 4:00 p.m. Campers are not allowed to be dropped off prior to 7:30 a.m. For your child's protection we ask that a note be brought in prior to dismissing the child with anyone other than his or her parent or guardian.

Morning drop off and afternoon pick up are at the function field/tent to the right of the main entrance. In the event of bad weather signs will direct you to an alternate drop-off location which is usually The Hampshire Dome.

EVERY CHILD MUST COMPLETE A COVID-19 HEALTH SCREENING DAILY PRIOR TO THE PARENTS DEPARTURE

#### **Extended Care**

Camp drop off begins at 7:30 a.m. until camp starts at 9:00 a.m. There is no cost for this service. Children will be supervised by camp staff. For your child's safety, please do not drop off before a staff member is present or leave them to wait in the club.

Post-camp begins at 4:00 p.m. ends at 5:00 p.m. Extended care is available at \$3 per camper. After camp pick up is at the function field. **Important: You will need to sign out your child with the camp staff.** 

### **Late Arrival & Early Pick Up**

Please have your child at camp no later than 9:00 am. This is important for the smooth flow of their day. If your child is going to arrive after 9:00 a.m. bring them inside the club to the Front Desk. The staff at the desk will radio your child's camp group. Please wait with your child until their counselor comes down to pick them up.

If you or someone else is picking your child up before 4:00 p.m. go to the Front Desk. The Front Desk staff will radio your child's camp group and they will be brought down to the desk. Please remember a note if your child is being picked up by someone else. The note must be brought in that morning.

#### Pick Ups Between 3:15-3:45 Are Not Allowed

Groups arrive at the function field between 3:30-3:45. Please go the field to pick up your child. If you child's group should arrive prior to 3:45 you may pick them up.

#### **Withdrawal/Refund Policy**

Camp tuition is due in full on June 1, 2020. No refunds given for withdrawal, dismissals, failure to attend, or incomplete attendance. The Director reserves the right to withdraw any camper when in his/her judgment the camper's behavior interferes with the rights and safety of others and the smooth functioning of the group or activity. In such cases no refund will be given.

#### **Health/Sick Days**

Please keep your child be kept home if any of the following symptoms occur: temperature, persistent cough, diarrhea, vomiting, or unknown rash. To help us inform parents of potential health risks please report any cases of a contagious disease immediately and keep your child at home: chicken pox, strep throat, lice, viral infections, or conjunctivitis. If your child is going to be absent please call Camp Ponemah at 673-7123 x 272.

#### PLEASE SEE GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 RELATED ILLNESS PROTOCOLS

#### Medication

If your child will be on medication while at camp, it MUST be in the original prescription bottle and given to the morning check in staff. For your convenience you may provide us with enough doses for the week and the bottle will be returned on Friday. A medication authorization release form must be filled out the first day we receive the medication. The form is valid for the summer unless the medication or doses change. This release will provide us with accurate information as to when to administer the correct dosage to your child. Forms are available from Lauren Desmarais at 673-7123 ext. 272. No child will be given medication without the authorization form.

#### **Health Forms**

Immunization records are needed on or before your child's first day of camp. Any standard physical exam form is fine. The state of NH also requires that each camper have on file at camp a list of most recent immunizations. If your child is exempt from immunization we need a notarized, religious exemption form to accompany the physical exam form for your child's file stating exemption.

#### Snack/Lunches

Please supply a morning snack for your child. We provide a popsicle for afternoon snack. The vending machines, soda machines and The Cafe are off limits during the camp day.

Parents are to provide a lunch, beverages, and necessary utensils for your child. Please pack in a small cooler or thermal bag with an ice pack. A frozen juice boxes work great as ice packs and are ready to drink by lunch. No glass, please. Hot Lunches or the ability to heat up lunch is not available.

#### EACH CHILD MUST HAVE A WATER BOTTLE EVERYDAY CLEARLY MARKED WITH THEIR NAME

#### Rainy Days

We like to say "There are no rainy days at Camp Ponemah!". The Hampshire Dome provides us with 3 full size sport fields, batting cage, running track, roller way, and so much more. Everything else we need is at Hampshire Hills Athletic Club...except the sun, of course.

#### DUE TO COVID-19, THE GUIDELINES FOR DAY CAMPS DO NOT ALLOW FOR FIELD TRIPS AT THIS TIME

#### TRANSPORTATION ADVANCE PAYMENT/SIGN UP WITH LAUREN REQUIRED

\$40.00 per week, per camper. One way service is also available at \$30.00 per week.

As a convenience to all our camper parents, Camp Ponemah offers daily bus service to and from camp. Bus stops are in Bedford, Merrimack, Nashua, and Hollis, if we have campers registered at these stops.

It is important to make sure your camper understands which bus stop they will be getting off. Please meet your camper, as well as, see your camper off at their designated area bus stop. Campers must be dropped off and picked up on time. If there are any changes to your bus rider's schedule send a note with the camper or call the camp director.

#### **MORNING RUNS:**

**BUS 1:** 

Bedford ~ Harvest Market ~ 8:00am Merrimack ~ Burger King (Rt. 3) ~ 8:20am BUS 2:

Hollis ~ Elementary School (Rt. 122) ~ 8:00am Nashua ~ Chunky's Cinema ~ 8:20am

#### AFTERNOON RUN:

**BUS 1:** 

Bedford ~ Harvest Market ~ 4:15pm Merrimack ~ Burger King (Rt. 3) ~ 4:30pm Nashua ~ Chunky's Cinema ~ 4:45pm Hollis ~ Elementary School (Rt. 122) ~ 5:00pm



### **Camp Ponemah Weekly Fun!**

Campers at Camp Ponemah are grouped according to what grade they are entering in the fall.

Group K - Kindergarten Group 3 - Third Group 7 - Sixth/Seventh

Group 1 - First Group 4/5 – Fourth/Fifth

Group 2 - Second

Each group is supervised by at least 2 qualified camp staff. Numbers in each group vary between 8-14 campers.

Campers have a very active summer camp experience. Each day is structured, with a chance for a little "Camper Siesta" at lunch time. Groups have the opportunity to make decisions on what activities they want to play as well as the pre-planned daily camp activities. Days are jam packed full of fun so camp starts promptly at 9:00 a.m.

# **Daily Swim Lesson**

#### **DUE TO COVID-19 SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES THERE ARE NO LESSONS**

#### **Daily Recreational Free Swim**

#### **Tennis Lesson**

Each group has a weekly tennis lesson.

#### **Other Fun Stuff**

Here's a list to give you an idea of some of the activities your camper will participate in through out the summer. The list can vary from week to week and is not the end of unlimited activities they will experience while at camp:

street hockey soccer dance parties
volleyball specialty days whiffle ball
silly games drama weekly themes
nature hikes beach volleyball team building games
arts & crafts parachute games basketball

scavenger hunts drama music mystery walks relay races zip line

drama weekly themes







# **CAMP PONEMAH**

# CHECK LIST and Stuff You Need To Know

Arrive Ready To Play	Pac	Pack & Bring With You	
Dress in Layers If it is cool in the morning wear sweats over shorts and T-shirt. It could warm up later in the day.		Bathing Suit & Towel Labeled with your name. Underwear to change into after swim.	
A Swim Suit-WEAR TO CAMP DAILY		Extra T-Shirt	
<b>Wear Sneakers</b> or sturdy shoes. No sandals or opened toed shoes.	_	Just in case.  Spray On Sunscreen	
Bring Spray On Sunscreen And apply before leaving home.		So we can re-apply at lunchtime. <b>Lunch, Snack, &amp; Beverages</b>	
	_	Packed to keep cool, with utensils, and labeled with your name.  No glass, please.	
Leave These Things At Home		Refillable Water Bottle Labeled with your name.	
Toys, Games & Personal Belongings This includes: stuffed animals		Back Pack Filled with everything listed above	
beanie babies		and labeled with your name.	
electronic devices/pads		A Fun & Positive Attitude	
video games cell phones		A Smile!	