



Association of Washington Student Leaders
High School Summer Leadership Camp 2015
Sponsored by the Association of Washington
School Principals

DATE: May 15, 2015

TO: Western Leaders Summit, State Directors, Delegates and Parents

SUBJECT: **FINAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR WESTERN LEADERS SUMMIT- JULY 20-24, 2015**

*Congratulations on your selection to The Western Leaders Summit! The camp will bring together delegates from Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon and Washington for a week of leadership growth, state sharing and awesome networking. **Please read the contents of this letter carefully.** The details outlined are essential to the success of this program.*

Arrival on Monday, July 20

State delegations arriving at the Spokane International Airport need to arrive by 3:00 PM for charter bus pick-up to camp. State directors, please email you flight details to susanf@awsp.org as soon as you know them so we can plan accordingly.

Students who will be transported in private or school district vehicles should plan to arrive at camp between 4:30 and 5:00 PM. **STUDENT DRIVERS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**

Most delegates from Washington State will ride the charter bus arranged by AWSL. Your itinerary will be mailed approximately 10-days prior to the start of camp. Please bring snacks, water and a lunch for the bus. Depending on your boarding location, you could be on the bus for 7 hours!

Departure on Friday, July 24

Camp will conclude at 12:00 pm on Friday, July 24. All delegates riding the charter bus service to the airport will arrive at the airport by 2:00 PM. Washington delegates on the charter bus will arrive at their scheduled stops according to the itinerary that will be mailed.

Meals and Snacks

Your first camp meal is dinner on Monday. All meals are provided at camp. You will depart with a sack snack on Friday, July 24. If you have special dietary needs please contact Karen Johnson at karenj@awsp.org or call at 360-497-5323.

Cell Phone Use

You'll have a very busy schedule at the Western Leaders Summit at the Chewelah Peak Learning Center. Compound that with very spotty cell service. Add to that a goal to build a leadership network with students and adults from across the western states! To accomplish this, we challenge you to be free of connection for one week. When traveling, at camp, or just hanging out, we will stress "being present" with the group rather than visiting with friends and family at home. Please communicate this with family, friends, boyfriends, girlfriends, etc., prior to the trip so they are not expecting to hear from you each day.

You must be getting excited! The Western Leaders Staff is eager to meet you! If you have questions prior to camp please call me at 360.497.5323 or contact your camp co-directors:

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Dear Western Leaders Delegate:

We are looking forward to meeting you and working with you at Western Leaders 2015! This is the fifth year of Western Leaders Summit, The Start of Something Big, and your presence will make it exceptional. You will be together with approximately 100 students representing a variety of states in our region. Working with student leaders from other states provides a rich opportunity to network and add unique ideas to your existing programs. You will learn new skills, grow as an individual and leader and have fun! Please call if you have questions. It is going to be a great week and we are glad to have you on the team.

Personal Items to Bring

Prepare for five days of sun, rain or both! There are no washers or dryers available.

- Casual clothes that would also be appropriate to wear to school
- Two pairs of comfortable shoes
- Pair of sturdy shoes suitable for hiking
- Heavy socks
- Hat or head covering
- Warm, water repellent jacket and sweatshirt
- Insect repellent and sunscreen
- Flashlight
- Sleeping bag, pillow
- Two towels and a washcloth
- Pajamas
- Water bottle
- Camera, batteries
- Pen and pencil
- Because cell service is negligible, it will be best for you to prepare yourself and your family to be "off the grid." Of course there is a phone for emergencies.
- Money for snacks and camp t-shirt or sweat shirts (\$20-\$40 should be enough)
- Personal articles, toothbrush, soap, hangers, etc.
- Suitable attire for a last night celebration banquet (don't go overboard...slacks, khakis, or casual dresses are perfect for camp)
- A great idea or project from your school or community to share with other delegates
- Readiness to grow
- Bring your favorite ASB/Student Council T-shirt for idea sharing☺

Items NOT to Bring

- A large quantity of cash (suggested not to exceed \$50 - see above)
- Laptops, audio/visual display devices, expensive jewelry, "beats" or similar speakers
- Anything that may be damaged with outdoor activity or is irreplaceable

<p><u>Important Camp Address and Phone Number</u> <u>For the Week of Camp</u></p> <p>Chewelah Peak Learning Center 3215 Flowery Trail Road Chewelah, Washington 99109</p> <p>509-935-7400 bill@chewelahpeak.org (Bill Barnes Learning Center Director)</p>	<p><u>Cell Phone and WiFi Connectivity</u></p> <p>Cell phone service is problematic and erratic at Chewelah Peak. A Wi-Fi connection is not available due to lack of bandwidth and the priority for the learning center and camp needs. Essentially, plan to go 'connectivity dark' for the week of camp. We want you to fully engage in camp.</p>
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