

CAMP CEDAR

TRAVEL PLANS FOR INTERNATIONAL STAFF 2017

Planning for your travel to camp -

Arrival date June 15th (unless taking part in pre-camp training course)

Most of our overseas staff members will fly to either New York or to Boston. From these arrival points, you will need to take a bus to Portland, Maine. Please try to make plans to arrive to Portland in the afternoon.

- **Flights into New York:**

For those of you flying into New York, you will likely be staying overnight in a hostel arranged by your exchange company. Please call us using our toll free number (1-888-844-8080) when you get to your hostel and let us know which bus you will be taking the next day. We suggest taking the 7am (07:00) Greyhound bus from Port Authority in New York City to Portland, ME. This bus arrives in Portland at about 2:15pm (14:15). You can look at Greyhound travel schedules online at www.greyhound.com. If you are arriving on any other date, make sure we are aware and have approved this well in advance.

- **Flights into Boston:**

If you are flying into Boston's Logan Airport, you can use Concord Coach Lines as your bus service. Concord picks you up at Logan Airport outside of your terminal. Please visit the following schedule online for pick-up location information:

http://concordcoachlines.com/images/stories/pdf/CCL_ME_Schedule_May2016_forWebsite.pdf

Once you have arrived into Boston Logan International's Terminal, collect your baggage then walk outside of baggage claim, take a right and walk to the end of the curb to the sign that says "Logan Express/Scheduled Buses". It leaves essentially every hour at 25 past, and takes about 2h 15min. Try to get the earliest one you can. You will need to purchase a ONE-WAY ticket after you get on the bus for about \$28US. Keep the receipt so camp can reimburse you.

Please call us toll free from any phone before you leave New York or Boston (dial 1-888-844-8080 from any phone) to inform us of your arrival time to Portland. Please be sure to also tell us which bus company you will be using (Greyhound or Concord). We will meet you at the bus terminal in Portland. From Portland, it is then a 45-minute drive to camp. You should plan to have about \$55.00 in US cash to pay for your bus ticket from New York or \$28.00 from Boston. We will reimburse you for the bus fare when you arrive at camp. Please be sure to save your receipt.

When you arrive in Portland, please wait outside the bus terminal to be picked up by one of our staff members. Likely there will be several of you on the same bus so you may want to ask around to see who is going to Camp Cedar. If the camp pickup is not there when you arrive, please use our toll free number to call camp and we will be able to let you know when your ride is due to arrive. Because we are picking up many staff from the bus stations and the airport, there may be a short wait when you arrive.

If you have been contracted to arrive before June 17th to take part in a training (Archery, Ropes Course, Trips), please make sure we know your travel and arrival plans in advance.

*****Planning your departure from Camp:**

Your last day of work is indicated on your Work Agreement. This is a contracted work day, so we ask that all travel plans be made for that evening or the following day. If there are extenuating circumstances with regards to your onward travel, please let us know and we'd be happy to work with you. Whether, driving, flying or busing, plan to leave camp no earlier than 5:00pm that evening, or 10:00am the day after your contract is completed. As early as 10:00am, we will give you a ride to Portland if needed to get to one of the bus terminals.

Historically, there has been a fair share of confusion about the departure time from camp which has led to undue amounts of frustration for all involved. Often we get the request to leave early because of "a very long drive ahead" or a flight or bus that was booked without understanding the departure time rules. The problem with planning to leave early is that the final cleaning of the bunks or your particular area of work, which is necessary after all the campers depart, gets placed on the shoulders of those staff who remain. This isn't fair to your co-workers so we ask you to respect the departure time parameters. If it happens that your bunk is cleaned early and there are no more responsibilities, you can receive your final pay and depart, **ONLY** after you have been dismissed by your Head Counselor or, if not a bunk counselor, another senior administrator.

Okay, think that is it for now. Please email us (jobs@campcedar.com) with your flight information so we know when you will be arriving to New York or Boston. Have a safe trip. We'll see you at camp!