

# Welcome to Songadeewin!

2020 MIDSEASON

July 25 & 26

**WELCOME** to all parents of first month 4 week campers and 8 week campers!

We're glad you're here and joining us this weekend.

♥ **You are encouraged to attend any or all of the events identified with this symbol**

## MIDSEASON WEEKEND SCHEDULE

<b>Friday, July 24</b> (optional for parents)	5:00 PM	*Parents who arrive Friday afternoon may take their daughter out for dinner, but MUST return by 7:45 PM. ALL CAMPERS MUST BE BACK FOR CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY AT 8:00 PM
	8:00 PM	Special Evening Ceremony just for campers and staff
<b>Saturday, July 25</b>	8:00 AM	Breakfast for campers & staff only
	9:00 AM	♥ Clean-up and Circle - Parents may arrive on campus
	10:00 AM	♥ Activity Period – parents are welcome to join in non-waterfront activities
	11:30 AM	*Parents may take daughter out for lunch, but must return by 2:30 PM
	12:30 PM	♥ Lunch Buffet at Songa – parents invited to attend
	1:30 PM	♥ Rest Hour: Parents may join the “Rest” at either campus – return by 2:45
	1:45 PM	♥ Songa Camp Tour for prospective Songa Campers & Parents – meet at Circle
	2:45 PM	♥ Circle for afternoon activities
	3:00 PM	♥ Activity Period– parents are welcome to join in non-waterfront activities
	4:30 PM	♥ General Swim – Swim dock area ♥ Canoe/Kayak Demonstration led by Songa campers – Boat dock area ♥ Boats Out at end of Canoe/Kayak Demo – Boat dock area
	6:00 PM	♥ Dinner - BBQ at Songadeewin –parents invited.
	8:00 PM	♥ Closing Campfire for first month campers, 8-weekers & all families ♥ Final goodbyes for 8-week parents who choose to leave after Campfire
<b>Sunday, July 26</b>	8:30 AM	Breakfast for campers & staff
	9 – 10:00 AM	♥ First Month Campers leave with parents
	by 10:00 AM	♥ Final goodbyes for 8-week parents who choose to leave Sunday morning
	10:00 AM	Bell rings - all campers and staff go to Circle, then Cabin Clean-up
	12:00 PM	Early Lunch for campers and staff
	2:00 PM	Second Month Campers Arrive – Check-in at Welcome table at Beenadeewin
	3:15 PM	Circle for all newly arriving campers (parents should leave as soon as campers are settled in), 8-week campers and all staff

**\*One meal out only, please. Choose either Friday evening or Saturday lunch**

## CELL PHONES

Please do NOT give your daughter her cell phone over the weekend. We will return all 4-weeker's phones as they depart. Also, please minimize your own technology and cell phone usage while you enjoy Songa's lovely environs and programs.

## PARKING

Parent parking is provided by the Quonset Hut (see map) on the western edge of the campus Friday night, all day Saturday, and Sunday morning. Follow the signs, and walk across the field to the main part of camp. You'll have a beautiful lake-side stroll back to your car in the evening. BRING A FLASHLIGHT! If the walk would be a challenge for family members, let us know ahead of time and we can make appropriate arrangements.

## MEALS

- Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend Saturday lunch and dinner on campus.
- You MAY take your daughter out for **ONE** meal if you wish:

**EITHER...**Friday between 5:00 PM and 7:45 PM...**OR...**Saturday between 11:30 AM and 2:30 PM

**One meal out only, please. Choose either Friday evening or Saturday lunch**

**SEE OTHER SIDE FOR MORE INFO!**

## **TAKING YOUR DAUGHTER OFF CAMPUS**

- **It is not necessary to take your daughter off campus.** However, if you choose to leave for a short while have her check out with the O.D. No camper is allowed out except with her own parents or relatives unless the Director has received **written notification** to the contrary.
- Our camp policy is that campers stay on campus and do not spend the night off campus unless on a camp trip. It can become disruptive if parents take their daughters away for the night. Thanks for your cooperation with this policy.

## **KEEWAYDIN TIME**

The times listed above are Eastern Daylight Savings time. We will not be on Keewaydin camp time at mid-season.

## **SWIMMING**

You are welcome to swim at our swim dock at designated times only. Be sure to check with the Lifeguard on duty there. (There is no swimming during rest hour or after the lifeguards declare the swim period closed to campers and family members.) Please discuss any siblings' swimming abilities with the Lifeguard before they swim.

## **BOATS OUT**

You are welcome to participate in Boats Out (Saturday afternoon after activities) with your daughter, and we'd love to have you do this. All participants must wear a zipped Personal Flotation Device (PFD) while in any boat and stay within the designated portion of the lake. Please help us enforce these important safety rules.

## **DOGS**

If you absolutely must bring your dog, please keep him/her on a leash or leave him/her in the car. **PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG!!** We recommend that you consider having your dog go to "doggy day care" on Saturday, July 20. We recommend Middlebury Kennel (802-388-9643). They charge \$15 for the day. They appreciate a call ahead of time. Ellen's dog, Koko, goes there all winter and loves it. They really do "treat your pet like family."

## **PLEASE: NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON CAMPUS!**

**PLEASE: NO SMOKING ON CAMPUS!** We are a **smoke-free** environment so please refrain from smoking anywhere on campus while at camp. Only campfires may smoke at camp.

## **SUNDAY MORNING**

### **Parents of 8 week campers:**

- **Please do not plan on taking your daughter out on Sunday morning.** You may come to say good-bye and have a final brief visit after breakfast (for campers and staff only) at about 9:15 AM. Please wait on the Manor House porch, at Beenadeewin or in the Longhouse areas until breakfast is over.
- **Plan to leave by 10:00 AM at the latest.** Bell will call all campers and staff to Circle. (You can also have your final good-byes on Saturday after the campfire. This may allow you to get an earlier start traveling Sunday morning.)

### **Parents of 4 week campers:**

- After breakfast ends at about 9:15 AM, use our western entrance and collect your daughter from her Longhouse. Carts will be available for moving luggage to cars.
- When ready to leave camp, parents and campers together should stop at the Registration Table at Beenadeewin. Pick-up camper Going-Home pack and complete final check out. The Going-Home packet contains medications, a passport and other important items.
- Now is when you can retrieve your daughter's cell phone which will also be in the Going- Home packet.
- **Campers leaving Sunday with their parents should be on their way by 10:00 AM**