

Welcome to Keewaydin

Dear Camper and Family,

Thank you for choosing to spend your summer with Camp Keewaydin! We are incredibly excited that you are joining us for 2020.

This summer, you can expect to meet new friends, try new activities, explore beautiful places, learn new skills and challenge yourself in fun and exciting ways.

In this handbook you will find lots of important information you will need throughout your Keewaydin experience-both before and during camp. Please read it carefully and keep it on hand for quick reference.

Do you have any questions or concerns? Please get in touchwe love to hear from you!

Emily Schoelzel

Director



Keep this handbook in a convenient place (on your computer and/or in an ideal location at home) for quick reference. Most questions we receive from parents are answered in this handbook.



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How to Reach Us

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Summer 2020 Dates

June 20	Section A and Section 1 arrive at camp
June 21	Section A and Section 1 depart on trip
June 27	Regular Season commences at Keewaydin with camper arrival
June 27	Ojibway Family Lodge opens
July 5-9	Alumni Family Weekend
July 15	Guests arrive for Midseason
July 16	Midseason Begins
July 18	Midseason Show in evening
July 19	First session campers depart
July 20	Second session campers arrive
August 8	Guests arrive for Endseason
August 9	Paddle In/Endseason begins
August 10	Campfires and Competitions
August 11	Campers Depart
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A link to our Google Travel Form will be sent to all parents via email.

important forms online.

I⇒ Transportation Information confirm by June 1st

Packing Tips

Have your child pack with you

Campers should participate in packing for camp. While they are on trip, campers pack their own personal gear every day. Helping to pack before camp is great practice for making sure everything fits, and gives campers a good idea of what they have brought with them to camp.

Label EVERYTHING

At the end of every summer, we are left with bags of clothing and equipment. While Lost and Found is inevitable at camp, labeled belongings can be easily reunited with their owners.

The best way to ensure all your child's belongings come home is to label them. We recommend Mabel's Labels-they sell full custom label kits. 30% of purchases made through their link are donated to the Keewaydin Temagami Gear Fund.

Choosing gear

Proper outdoor clothing and equipment can be pricey, especially when outfitting a growing child. Our best advice before going out and buying brand new gear each year would be to look into alternatives, such as used clothing stores like Goodwill, gear swaps or even borrowing from family and friends.

Pay close attention to footwear guidelines as they are very important to the success of your son or daughter's experience. New hiking boots should be broken in before coming to camp.

There are a few gear items that are essential to our unique style of tripping. A tumpline, duffle bag, sleeping bag, and waterproof ground sheet are all necessary items that are available at camp but should be ordered in advance.

Regarding sleeping bags: Bring a synthetic bag with at least a

+20° to +30° Fahrenheit fill. DO NOT bring a down or cotton-filled sleeping bag. Down and cotton-filled sleeping bags do not provide warmth when wet, and they dry slowly.

Soap and Shampoo

For environmental reasons, we ask that campers bring biodegradable soap and shampoo.

Brands like Live Clean and Dr.

Bronner's are easily available in your local area or online.

Baggage Information

Campers should try to limit their baggage to a camp duffle and one carry-on. Trunks and large suitcases are bulky and unnecessary as campers will spend most of their summer out on canoe trips. Space in camp is quite tight, and allows little room for large items. Returning campers who are bringing paddles should check with the airline for regulations. NOTE: Ask for "priority handling" of luggage when checking in at the airport; it seems to help assure that the luggage will arrive on the same flight as the camper!

Questions

If you have any questions about gear or our equipment list (on page 17) please call us! We are happy to help you.



Emotionally Preparing For Camp

The lead up to camps is an incredibly exciting time for a child-and it can also be an anxious time as well. Here are some tips for helping your child emotionally prepare to go to camp.

Learn together. Explore our website and social networking sites with your child. Looking at pictures from camp will help them visualize their upcoming experience-where they will sleep and what activities they will get to try. Talk about swimming in the lake-unlike a pool, the lake may be dark at the bottom and may (in their minds) harbor scary critters (all benign!). Read books about going to camp.

Involve your child every step of the way. From planning to packing.

Talk about camp in a positive way. Phrases like "I am so excited to hear about all the adventures you're going to have" and "If you feel homesick, tell your leader, don't hide it." help your camper to know that we want to support them, and we can't do that as well if we don't know when they are having a hard time. Avoid phrases like "I am going to miss

you terribly!" and "You can always come home if you don't like it." This may close their minds to giving camp a fair chance, leading them to focus instead on going home.

Mention the not so great realities too. There should be no surprises when your child discovers mosquitos, washes dishes or packs their own roll.

Speak openly of home-

pens to everyone, from first-time camper to (surprise!) long-time staff member. If your child knows that, it can cause less anxiety.

Explain that getting the big people's assistance is different from at

children that we're never more than a phone call away, and never talk to strangers. Discuss how camp is a safe place where they go by themselves, and why it's okay at camp to interact with "strangers" who will soon become friends. Explain that there won't be any phone calls to or from home. Make it clear that at camp, the strategy for getting



support is to turn to those new friends and leaders.

Practice problem solv-

ing. Work through the "what ifs": "What if....you lose your bathing suit, don't feel well, are scared?"

Prepare yourself. The separation can bring you mixed emotions. It's a big step for you too!

Travel Information



Full Season and First 3-Week Session Arrival

Travel	Location	Date	Time	Notes	Fees
Choice					
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	June 26	After 5:00 pm	OVERNIGHT WITH STAFF BUS TO CAMP	\$250
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	June 27	Before Noon	BUS TO CAMP	\$125
Airport Drop-off	Toronto Pearson International Airport Terminal 3, USA Arrivals	June 27	Between 10:00 am and Noon	BUS TO CAMP (departs at 1:00 pm)	\$125
Boatline Bay Drop-off	Boatline Bay Marine 1624 Lake Temagami Access Rd Temagami, Canada	June 27	5:00 pm	BOAT WITH CAMPERS	
Island Drop-Off	Devil's Island Lake Temagami	June 27	TBD	EMAIL FOR CONFIRMATION (bruce@keewaydin.org)	

First 3-Week Session Departure

Travel Choice	Location	Date	Time	Notes	Fees
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	July 19	After 3:00 pm	BUS TO AIRPORT	\$125
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	July 20	Before Noon	BUS TO AIRPORT OVERNIGHT WITH STAFF	\$250
Airport Pickup	Toronto Pearson International Airport Terminal 1, Aisle 1 Departure	July 19	1:00 pm	BUS TO AIRPORT	\$125
Boatline Bay Pickup	Boatline Bay Marine 1624 Lake Temagami Access Rd Temagami, Canada	July 19	8:00 am	BOAT WITH CAMPERS	
Island Pickup	Devil's Island Lake Temagami	July 19	Varied	MIDSEASON DEPARTURE TIMES TBD	

Please complete the travel information requested on the <u>Travel Form</u> and return it to us as soon as possible.



Travel Information

Second 3-Week Session Arrival

Travel Choice	Location	Date	Time	Notes	Fees
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	July 19	After 5:00 pm	OVERNIGHT WITH STAFF BUS TO CAMP	\$250
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	July 20	Before Noon	BUS TO CAMP	\$125
Airport Drop-off	Toronto Pearson International Airport Terminal 3, USA Arrivals	July 20	Between 10:00 am and Noon	BUS TO CAMP (departs at 1:00 pm)	\$125
Boatline Bay Drop-off	Boatline Bay Marine 1624 Lake Temagami Access Rd Temagami, Canada	July 20	5:00 pm	BOAT WITH CAMPERS	
Island Drop-Off	Devil's Island Lake Temagami	July 20	TBD	EMAIL FOR CONFIRMATION (bruce@keewaydin.org)	

Full Season and Second 3-Week Session Departure

Travel Choice	Location	Date	Time	Notes	Fees
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	August 11	After 3:00 pm	BUS TO AIRPORT	\$125
Air	Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ)	August 12	Before 10:00 am	BUS TO AIRPORT OVERNIGHT WITH STAFF	\$250
Airport Pickup	Toronto Pearson International Airport Terminal 1, Aisle 1 Departure	August 11	1:00 pm	BUS TO AIRPORT	\$125
Boatline Bay Pickup	Boatline Bay Marine 1624 Lake Temagami Access Rd Temagami, Canada	August 11	8:00 am	BOAT WITH CAMPERS	
Island Pickup	Devil's Island Lake Temagami	August 11	Varied	ENDSEASON DEPARTURE TIMES TBD	

Tips to help your camper when you send him/her off to camp

Try not to linger. At the airport it is good to say your goodbyes and send your camper on their way. The longer you stay, the greater the chance your camper perceives Keewaydin as not being separate from home and family.

How to say goodbye.

"Have a great summer" is a good place to start. Goodbyes can be hard, but it is a necessary part of the camp experience.

Try not to show too much emotion when saying goodbye. Use expressions of confidence in your child, such as "You're going to be such a great camper

here!" and "I can't wait to hear about all the new friends you are going to make." Avoid sayings like "Will you be okay?" and "We're going to miss you so much." This can cause your child to worry about you which in turn can cause him to dwell on home rather than to enter fully into camp.



wanted. If your camper runs away to play and interact with others, this can sometimes not feel so great for parents. Know your child is showing very positive independence.

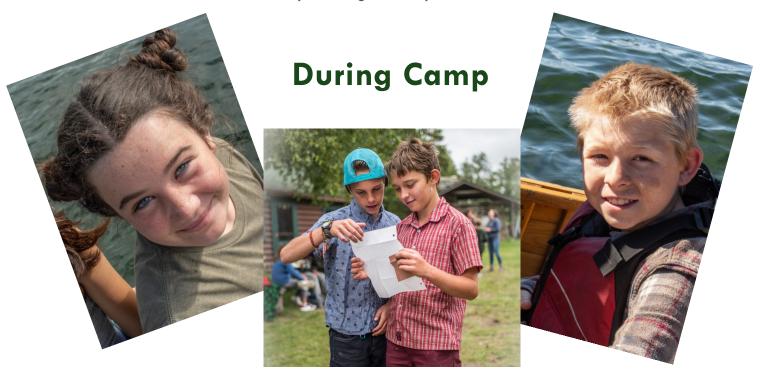
Trust the process. If your camper has trouble letting you go, the best thing you can do is





to express your confidence in her and then, as hard as it is-leave her in our hands. Our staff are incredibly capable and trained to deal with homesickness. The sooner she can get her focus away from you, the sooner she can begin to enjoy camp. You can call us any time for an update on how your camper is doing at camp.

Homesickness. If your child is a first-year camper and writes of being homesick the first week or so of camp, please do not become overly concerned. This is natural and our staff are experienced in helping children through this time. Please give our staff time to address it. Our friendly attention helps to eliminate homesickness but cannot do so entirely right away. We will do our best to help your son or daughter adjust to their time away from home.



Camper Mail

Campers LOVE receiving mail while they are at camp. We encourage parents to mail letters so they arrive before their child does. Each camper will write a letter home after arriving at camp and between trips. Please send pre-addressed and stamped envelopes for the people you want your child to write to. Postcards and stamps are available at camp as well.

If you get an "I hate camp" letter, don't panic. It's common for campers (especially new ones) to write a letter saying: "The food sucks! Camps sucks!" Complaining to parents empowers children. They often reveal more to their parents. If you get a negative letter, please call and alert us, but also be aware that it is likely that matters have improved dramatically since the letter was written.

We do not accept any kind of food parcels for the safety of our campers with life threatening allergies and the prevalence of animals in cabins when there is food. Please do not send any food (or gum!) to camp. Comics, decks of cards, magazines and photos are great alternatives to treats. If sending parcels, please use the USPS. Other shipping agencies are not able to deliver to camp.

Be mindful that postal service is slower to and from Temagami, so plan accordingly.

Camper's Name
C/O Keewaydin Camp
General Delivery
Temagami, ON POH 2H0
CANADA





Dietary Information

A lot of care and planning goes into our meals at Keewaydin. We provide healthy, well-balanced and DELICIOUS food, in-camp and on trip.

We can accommodate most dietary needs if we know in advance. You will have the opportunity to list any dietary needs when you submit your camper's medical information on CampDocs. If you have any major concerns, please contact us at info@keewaydin.org to discuss.. We may contact you with questions as well.

In order to keep critters large and small out of living spaces, and to be sensitive to our campers with allergies, we request that all food be left at home. Food brought to camp will be collected upon arrival and will not be returned.

The Camp Store

In addition to our awesome camp merchandise and clothing, our Camp Store is well stocked with essentials like batteries, toothpaste, bug spray, stamps, etc. On occasion the campers will visit the Ojibway Store to purchase candy, chips or drinks. We suggest that parents allow no more than \$200 per camper for the Camp Store. This will allow a camper to buy clothing or souvenir items as well as treats. Discuss with your child what items they may like to purchase and help them develop a budget for their camp store money. We attempt to keep all purchases at a minimum and will guide your camper according to your approved limit. Some necessary items are available for pre-order through CampDocs. Those items will be waiting for your camper when they arrive at camp.



Tripping

The emphasis at Keewaydin Temagami is on canoe tripping. While there are other activities in camp, at basecamp time is short and is usually spent writing letters, relaxing, and preparing for the next canoe trip. During the course of the summer your son or daughter will go on trips of various lengths, depending on age and experience. The youngest Manitou and Songadeewin trips will range from 3 to 10 days, while the older Waubeno, Algonquin and Winisk campers will be out from 5 to 23 days. The oldest Temagami sections will be out for the entire season, up to 52 days for Section A and Section 1. Each of these trips involves varying levels of physical and emotional challenges. As your son or daughter progresses through the season, the trips grow more and more challenging. Likewise, as your son or daughter moves up through the Wigwams each summer, the challenge of the trip and the experience increases. During the course of the summer, your son or daughter will encounter every type of challenge imaginable; from learning the basic paddle strokes... to carrying a canoe, from learning to cook for the rest of the section...to surviving a third straight day of rain. These challenges are part of the experience which will help your son or daughter grow, and the results are the things they take home with them at the completion of their summer.

The different kinds of trips require various skill levels and at least a minimal level of physical fitness. During the first three days of the season for Waubeno, Algonquin, Winisk, Songadeewin and Manitou sections, your son or daughter will learn or review the basic tripping techniques that have been used at Keewaydin Temagami for over 100 years. During this time there will be regular lake paddles varying in length from a few hours to a full day, to develop new or hone existing skills. The basics of minimal impact camping and canoe tripping will be focused on heavily during this time to ensure that your son or daughter is ready for their first canoe trip.

During the course of the summer, your son or daughter will become stronger and more accomplished at the various skills they have learned. It is up to each boy or girl to maintain a level of physical fitness so that they can actively and effectively participate in the tripping program. This also means taking care of their bodies so that he or she doesn't develop blisters or cuts that would hamper their ability to participate fully and comfortably during the trip.







Medical

Health Forms

Every camper must have completed all health forms on CampDocs. This includes health history and a medical recommendation from your doctor. Each family should receive an email invitation to CampDocs. If you do not receive this, please contact us!

Medical Coverage

Keewaydin provides limited medical coverage through the camp's insurance company. There is no deductible to you for these services. This is a limited policy that covers emergency and first aid services. We require that your child be covered by medical insurance. It is your responsibility to check with your insurance company prior to the summer to make sure your camper is covered in Canada and make arrangements if not. Additional travel insurance to cover evacuations and medical costs may be purchased through CampDocs.

Medications

Campers should bring all medications with them to camps.
Campers who take medication on a regular basis should continue while at camp. Please consult your physician before making any medication changes.

From our experience, it is best

not to make changes to prescription medications at camp.

Contagious Disease

If your child has been exposed to a contagious disease such as chicken pox, measles, mumps, etc., they should not be sent to camp until the incubation period has passed.

Pre-Existing Injury

Should your camper become injured before camp begins, please have them cleared to participate before they come to camp.

Head Lice

Please be sure that your son or daughter is examined for head lice before coming to camp. Head lice can spread rapidly and is hard to get rid of, so a camper with head lice at a residential camp can be a big problem.

Eyeglasses

If your camper wears eyeglasses, please send along a second pair. Replacement during the summer can pose a significant challenge due to the remote nature of many of our canoe trips.









Camp Fees

Camp tuition is due by March 1 unless you have made other arrangements or payment plans. Once accepted, we do not give refunds unless the camper can be replaced.

Gratuities

Money Matters

We ask that you not give gratuities to our staff. We do encourage you to express your appreciation by making a contribution in the name of the staff person you wish to honor to the Temagami Scholarship Fund which helps provide financial aid to campers in need.



Money

There is no need for money at camp. If your child needs cash for traveling to and/or from camp, this will be collected and kept in our safe on Devil's Island. For campers coming by airplane, we recommend a minimum of \$30 for emergency needs. We discourage campers from having large sums of money in camp or on trip. All items in the camp store may be charged to the camper's account and billed after close of camp.

Travel Insurance

We strongly encourage you to purchase travel insurance. First, this will allow you to recoup your tuition in the event that your child is unable to camp for reasons approved by the insurance company (loss of employment, illness, etc.) Keewaydin does not refund tuition fees in the event of cancellation. Second, this will cover evacuation expenses in the event that your child needs to be evacuated from a trip. Thirdly, many travel insurance policies cover emergency medical expenses. Travel insurance is available through your travel agent or CampDocs.



Other Valuables

Airline tickets, passports and other valuables will be collected by our staff at the beginning of the season. These will be placed in the camp safe until the morning of departure at which time our staff will return them to the campers.



Trip Staff

Trip Staff are Keewaydin's greatest asset and share a passion for wilderness canoe tripping. Knowledgeable in the ways of the North Woods, lakes and rivers, they are the heart of the Keewaydin experience. Our leaders are college students and graduates, many of whom teach in the winter months. A large percentage of the staff came to Keewaydin originally as campers. With an average of eight years experience canoe tripping, our leaders continually inspire growth, maturity, curiosity, and strength, enabling Keewaydin campers to build lifelong skills.

Each group is led by the staffman who is the senior member of the trip staff. They are responsible for the overall safety and well being of every member of the group, and make all decisions regarding the group's welfare. These staffmen are assisted by the guide, who is the second in charge and oversees all trip preparations. In addition, the guide plans the route, sets the pace, and is responsible for establishing camp, cooking and taking care of the trip equipment. The trip staff involves campers with all of these activities as their age and interest permit. In younger groups the staff and guide are assisted by up to three assistants to help with chores and provide additional supervision.

Staff training focuses on the tools trip leaders need to be successful. 95% of our staff are Keewaydin program graduates. All trip leaders complete the 80 hour Wilderness First Responder medical course, the eight hour Wilderness Water Safety course as well as training in leadership and canoe/equipment repair. The leadership training is specifically focused on building skills and self-esteem in the campers. The staff arrive at camp 2 weeks before campers to complete these courses.

In addition, our staff spend time learning about the social/emotional lives of boys with renowned psychologist and author, Michael Thompson (Raising Cain and Homesick and Happy) about the positive impact of summer camps on boys and girls.



Equipment List

There is no camp uniform; plain rugged outdoor clothes in good condition are suitable. It is important to bear in mind while outfitting your camper that equipment and clothing will see hard use. Likewise, your camper will be exposed to the elements while on trip. Cool, wet weather should be anticipated as should hot and sunny. Dressing in layers is essential to remain warm and dry as well as cool.

ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT: Not available in camp store

Sleeping bag rated to 20-35 degrees (or personal preference). Fill should be a synthetic material. Bags that are square or a partial mummy shape are preferred to full mummy bags as they roll better (Sierra Trading Post, Big Agnes and LL Bean are great resources)

Sleeping pad - Ridgerest and Thermarest are popular brands (try Big Agnes, EMS or LL Bean). Should not be longer than sleeping bag.

Soap and shampoo – biodegradable - Dr. Bronner's is best.

Toilet kit

Sunscreen-SPF 30 minimum

Extra pair prescription glasses and contacts

Sunglasses with attachment cord

Headlamp with battery

1 liter water bottle-Nalgene is a great brand. Plastic is best.

Bug repellant

ESSENTIAL CLOTHING:

Warm jacket – heavy wool or fleece material (it gets cold up there!)

2 pairs of pants (1 for trip and 1 for base camp, bring a 3rd if staying for 6 weeks). Dickies Original 874 pants are inexpensive, durable and popular. Jeans for trips are unacceptable as they are slow to dry and offer little insulation when wet, but are okay to wear around base camp.

5 pairs of underwear - boxer briefs are great for boys and many girls bring extra bathing suit bottoms to wear as they are great to swim in and dry quickly. Campers swim often and it is easy to not have to change into a swimsuit. Dark colors recommended.

2 pairs of shorts - any shorts are appropriate as long as they can last the whole season.

1 or 2 long-sleeved shirts - button up style, made of synthetic, quickdry material

1 pair of long underwear (bottom and top)-capilene, wool or fleece 3 T-shirts- at least 1 or 2 quick dry performance t-shirts

5 pairs of wool socks- These are essential not only for their warmth and durability, but also for their ability to help prevent blisters. They

should be at least 80% wool.

Bathing suit- 2 piece best for girls

Rain Suit-Jacket and pants are essential. Suits should have taped seams and should be waterproof. Durability is important.

Wool or fleece hat

Sun hat

2 Handkerchiefs or bandannas

2 Bath towels- 1 full size for base camp and 1 microfiber, quick drying pack towel for trips.

Trip Shoes- A durable pair of shoes or boots is absolutely necessary and should be suitable for all terrain. Trip shoes will get wet. They should provide support and protection and also be able to last the whole season. Merrell Moab is an example of a quality tripping shoe.

Camp/Dry Shoes- Comfortable shoes to wear in base camp or around the campsite, such as an old pair of sneakers. Campers should not bring sandals for their only camp shoes.

Sandals- A pair of sturdy sandals for swimming. Popular brands include Teva, Keen, Chaco, Crocs, and Merrell. No flip flops.
Small pocket knife - This should be limited to a small folding knife or Leatherman.

Clean clothes for trip home packed separately in sealable plastic bag. One pair underwear, socks, pants or shorts and shirt.

OPTIONAL:

Wool or fleece vest

Laundry bag

Camera - in waterproof bag or Pelican case with extra batteries.

Pajamas or sleepwear

1 pair warm gloves (wool or polypropylene) for cold weather55-liter dry bag - is not necessary but many campers and staff choose to use this item to put inside their canvas duffel.

Back pack/day pack with padded shoulders

Books – paperback

Ziploc bags - gallon sized freezer bags are terrific.

Journal and pencil or pen

Cards and/or chess, cribbage sets, etc.

Small dry bag for inside the day pack

Fishing gear – spinning or spin-casting 6-12 lbs. test line plus lures for pike, walleye, bass, and trout. Bring lures in small portable case.

Join Us at Camp

We are always happy to see parents and campers together. As our primary focus at Temagami is on wilderness canoe tripping, your son or daughter is seldom in camp. If you would like to visit during the season, the best time for these visits would be during the designated MidSeason or EndSeason.

MidSeason July 16-20

Midseason is a four day event that marks the midpoint of the summer for campers canoeing out of base camp. There are contests where sections work together to demonstrate cooking and camping skills. In addition there are informal individual competitions in swimming and canoeing. Evenings are lively with campfires and a midseason show where sections perform skits and sing songs with the entire camp. Friends and family can visit and stay at the **Ojibway Family Lodge**.



EndSeason August 8-11

Before camp closes for the season, all sections are welcomed back to Devil's Island. For two days campers participate in friendly competition, ceremony, and a final campfire. The oldest boys and girls from the season's long trips have the opportunity to tell stories of the summer, in their own words. It is a festive occasion where the youngest and oldest campers have the opportunity to share their adventures, and spend time with family and friends. It is a magical experience. Friends and family frequently come for EndSeason; reservations should be made at **Ojibway Family Lodge** well in advance.



Ojibway Family Lodge



MidSeason

Lodging:

A variety of accommodations are available at Ojibway: 1 and 2-bedroom cabins with bathrooms, sleep cabins, platform tents and Ojibway lodge rooms. If all the cabins at Ojibway are booked for Midseason, we are able to offer accommodation in the $5^{\rm th}$ Avenue platform tents at Keewaydin.

Meals:

All meals are served family style in the Ojibway dining room, and we are happy to cater to vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free diets, with advance notice. Breakfast is served at 8:00 am, lunch at 12:30 pm, and dinner at 6 pm. Coffee is available before breakfast for those who want to enjoy the tranquility of Lake Temagami in the early morning.

Arrival:

Boat travel is required to reach Devil's Island. Keewaydin will schedule boat shuttles to Devil's Island for the afternoon of July 15. Registered guests will receive information about boat shuttles prior to travel dates. At that time, you may register for a time that coordinates with your arrival at Boatline Bay Marina.

Departure:

Campers traveling by bus to the Toronto airport will be scheduled on the first boat shuttles of July 19. Ojibway guests will be shuttled down the lake once the campers are gone, usually sometime after 7:30 am.

EndSeason

Lodging:

There is a great deal of demand for cabins at Ojibway during Endseason. A variety of accommodations are available at Ojibway: 1 and 2-bedroom cabins with bathrooms, sleep cabins, platform tents and Ojibway lodge rooms. In an effort to include as many people as possible during Endseason, we allow families to tent on the ballfield. We can provide you with a tent, which will be set up and labeled for you. The number of people allowed on the island is limited so please contact us as soon as possible to reserve a spot.

Meals:

All meals are served family style in the Ojibway dining room, and we are happy to cater to vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free diets, with advance notice. Breakfast is served at 8:00 am, lunch at 12:30 pm, and dinner at 6 pm. Coffee is available before breakfast for those who want to enjoy the tranquility of Lake Temagami in the early morning.

Arrival:

Boat travel is required to reach Devil's Island. Keewaydin will schedule boat shuttles to Devil's Island for the afternoon of August 8 and on August 9 until noon. Registered guests will receive information about boat shuttles prior to travel dates. At that time, you may register for a time that coordinates with your arrival at Boatline Bay Marina.

Departure:

Campers traveling by bus to the Toronto airport will be scheduled on the first boat shuttles of August 11. Ojibway guests will be shuttled down the lake once the campers are gone, usually sometime after 7:30 am.



Please contact Ojibway Manager Tanya McCubbin (tanya@keewaydin.org) if you have any questions about traveling to Devil's Island.

Additional Information



Fishing License

In order for your camper to fish on Lake Temagami and the surrounding lakes and rivers in Ontario, they will need to have a seasonal Ontario fishing license. You may request a license for your camper on CampDocs.

return from their trip. We encourage you to send a birthday package, cards and letters, but please no edibles.

Bedding

Campers will spend the majority of their time out on canoe trips, so bedding aside from their sleeping bag is really not needed. During their brief stays in camp, campers will stay in bunks where their sleeping bag will be ample. Pack a small pillow for "in camp" if your son or daughter chooses.

Section Assignments

Sections will be assigned by the Director prior to the opening of camp. These assignments will be made based on many factors, including age and experience of the campers. While we will try to honor any requests that have been made regarding section assignments prior to the summer, it is often difficult to honor every request as there are many considerations when assigning sections.



Birthdays

Campers having birthdays during the summer will have a cake baked for them while in camp. They will be honored in the dining hall by a round of "Happy Birthday" from the whole camp when they

Lost and Found

Our staff work to ensure that all items are packed with your camper, but every season we find an assortment of items left behind. These items are them returned to our office in Vermont where they are sorted in four piles: return to camper (labeled items), add to camper closet (not labeled, but good quality), donate (no label, but decent quality) and trash (no label, poor quality). If your camper returns home missing items, please contact us as soon as possible. All labeled items will be mailed home at the family's expense.



Trip Evacuation Policy

In the event that a camper needs to be evacuated from a canoe trip or camp, costs of



travel as well as medical costs are the responsibility of the camper's family. Keewaydin directors endeavor to include parents/guardians in all evacuation and medical decisions. In the event that parents/guardians are not available or are not in agreement, Keewaydin directors or agents are authorized to make emergency medical and safety decisions for the welfare of campers (as per the authorization section of the Keewaydin Application Form). We strongly encourage the purchase of travel insurance for your camper.



Dogs

We have a small number of resident dogs on the island, however, we cannot allow overnight guests to bring their pets. If unavoidable, day visitors may bring their dogs, but must ensure that they remain on leash at all times while on the property.

Electronics

Camp is an amazing place to be in nature and take a break from electronics and screen time. It is a place where kids can be kids, immersing themselves in physical activity, play and connecting with their peers. While your camper may require their phone for travel, all electronics will be collected once campers arrive and placed in our camp safe until the end of session.

Photos and the Internet

We are invested in maintaining the positive image of Keewaydin in postings and images on the internet. For this reason, we need all campers to screen their own photos and postings to ensure appropriateness before putting them online. We thank families for their support with this. Additionally, we will be taking photos at camp and sharing them on our website and social media sites. We respect your child's privacy, and will not use their names without consent. Please notify us if you do not want your child's image used.

Keewaydin welcomes excellent photos of camp (campers, staff, activities, trips). If you have photos you would like to have posted on our website, please consult with the Camp Director.

In order to protect the privacy of campers and the reputation of Keewaydin, we ask that campers adhere to the following policies regarding the use of photos on personal websites:

- Do not use the Keewaydin logo on your personal website or social media.
- Do not post picture of campers.
- Do not post any photo that might jeopardize the reputation and good name of Keewaydin.



