

ARROWBEAR MUSIC CAMP
P.O. BOX 180
RUNNING SPRINGS, CA 92382

Summer 2008

Dear Campers and Parents,

Welcome to Arrowbear Music Camp! Please read this letter carefully for important information.

ARRIVAL-AUGUST 13 WEDNESDAY

We have scheduled you to arrive with 25 others in order of enrollment. Plan to arrive at or after _____ . You will quickly go through registration and counselors will help you find a bunk. We need to empty the camp of cars before the next group arrives. **DO NOT COME EARLY.**

We realize there may be conflicts because of the Wednesday arrival and we will try to accommodate you. Please call and leave a message or email the camp: info@arrowbear.com

Check our website for updated maps to camp.

We must accommodate local fire authorities and neighbors by keeping parking in and near camp. Be sure and leave 10 feet of road width for fire access at all times. Share rides if possible (if carpooling pick one arrival time). If you need names and phone numbers of camper in your area call the camp or email us.

We will finish serving lunch (for campers) at 2:00 p.m. and then the camp program will begin. If you must arrive later, please eat before you come.

STARTING THE SESSION AND AUDITIONS

We have planned a change in our first and second day schedule in order to promote comfortable and appropriate relationships as soon as possible and avoid homesickness. As soon as campers have checked in they will be involved in group activities. After we are well into the group process campers will spend a brief time with a staff member demonstrating their musical ability. We need to hear their skill level. They should be prepared to play some scales, part of a prepared piece and sight-reading.

DEPARTURE-AUGUST 23 SATURDAY

The session ends with a performance at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is expected to leave after the concert. Campers will be free to load luggage into cars and visit with families after 3:30 p.m.

WHAT TO BRING-please mark all clothing and personal items with the camper's name.

Bedding (sleeping bag or sheets/pillow)

Toilet articles and towels

Swim wear and sunscreen

Casual everyday clothes

Clothing for concert-no set dress code but should be casual/nice

Some warm clothing in case of cold weather (altitude is 6,500 ft.)

Medical needs (including bug repellent and lip balm)-we have basic supplies

Hiking type shoes (tennis or athletic shoes are fine)

Personal stereos allowed with headphones and batteries only

Instrument and music you might want to perform (including piano accompaniment)

Pencils for rehearsals/clothes pins for holding music outside

String plays must bring extra strings and reed players extra reeds

Stationery and stamps for letters

LOST AND FOUND

Arrowbear Music Camp will not be responsible for lost money, clothing, or other valuables. Please leave valuables (except your instrument) at home. On the last day please check your cabin and porch of the first aid building for lost and found items.

TELEPHONE AND MAIL

It is great to get mail at camp. While here your address will be:

Arrowbear Music Camp

(camper name)

P.O. Box 180

Running Springs, CA 92382

Please support the camp experience by keeping cell phones at home and planning not to use a phone while at camp. Calls with home and friends seem to cause homesickness and the outside communication interferes with our group building process. If you must bring a cell phone we expect you to keep it in the office building and only use it during breakfast hours or afternoon recreation. Please do not send faxes or emails to campers except in the case of an emergency.

CAMP STORE ACCOUNT

We require campers to turn in spending money for safekeeping. We use a debit system for keeping track of expenditures. Money is needed for the snack bar. We also sell camp T shirts, sweatshirts, water bottles, stuffed animals, and other items. Any unused money will be returned on the last day.

CAMP FEES

The balance of your camp fee is due August 13. If you did not submit a small photo with your enrollment bring one with you and give it to us at check-in. If you received a scholarship, it is your responsibility to make sure that payment has been sent to camp.

HEALTH FORM

We must have the enclosed health form completed and signed on August 13. Please do not mail. Campers are not permitted to remain at camp without a completed health form on record. **Make sure that all of the immunization information is current.**

MEDICATION

All medications and directions for dispensing must be left with the health supervisor upon arrival. In case of sickness or injury during camp, parents will be notified of doctor or hospital visits. **Parents are responsible for all health care and prescription costs.** Generally, minor scrapes are treated by Red Cross First-Aid certified staff. Paramedics are on call, three miles away. The nearest emergency room is in Lake Arrowhead, 30 minutes away. Campers who take regular medication should bring it to camp with them.

All medications must be in original containers and be checked in at arrival.

COMMEMORATIVE PHOTO

A photo will be given to each camper at the end of the session. Campers will also receive a list of staff names, camper's names, phone numbers and addresses. If you do not wish to have your information included please notify us.

SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS

We cannot make arrangements in advance. We have plenty of room for friends to be near each other. Beds will be chosen as you arrive.

LAUNDRY

A washing machine is in each dorm area.

VISITORS

Observers are welcome at any time. Please do not ask to disturb our routine or take campers out of camp before the session is over.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING YOUR FAMILY'S DOG, CAT, OR ANY OTHER PET TO CAMP ON OPENING OR CLOSING DAY.

Thank you for supporting Arrowbear Music Camp.

Call (leave a message) or email the camp if you have additional questions or concerns.

909 867-2782 or email: info@arrowbear.com

The Dockstader family