

Camp Orkila

GETTING TO & FROM CAMP

THREE WAYS TO GET TO CAMP

For your convenience, Camp Orkila provides three transportation options to and from camp (you may mix and match to meet your personal transportation needs):

1. **CHARTER BUS FROM SHORELINE**

Round-trip transportation from Shoreline on tour buses that are equipped with air conditioning and bathrooms. This is the only Seattle-based transportation. (\$50 charge each way)

2. **ANACORTES CHECK-IN**

You may check in your camper at the Anacortes ferry. Accompanied by staff, the group will walk-on to the ferry and be met by the Camp Orkila bus at the Orcas ferry landing. Campers must be able to manage their own luggage on and off the ferry. (\$25 charge arrival only)

3. **CAMP CHECK-IN**

Parents may choose to drive their camper directly to Camp Orkila. Refer to the Washington State Ferry website for drive-on fees and schedules.

Based on your choice, we assign your camper to a bus or expect you to drive your camper directly to Camp Orkila or the Anacortes ferry landing.

We ask that you do not change your transportation arrangements after making a choice, as we reserve buses based on your registration information and the transportation fees. Last minute changes may not be accommodated.

TRANSPORTATION LETTER

Two weeks prior to your session start date, you will receive a transportation letter in the mail. It will confirm the transportation choices you selected and will include the following information:

- Check-in and pick-up locations & times
- Luggage tags that are color coordinated with your camper's "bus" assignment/ departure location
- Travel Day Medication Form
- Brief Health Screening Form

So we can ensure a smooth check-in, please call the Camping & Outdoor Leadership Office immediately at (206) 382-5009 if the information in your transportation letter is not how you are planning to check-in and/or pick-up your camper.

PERSONAL VEHICLE RESERVATIONS

Personal vehicle reservations for travel to and from the San Juan Islands are available online at www.wsdot.com/ferries or by calling (888) 808-7977 between 4am and 8:30pm, 7 days a week. If you are planning to drive your camper to camp **we strongly encourage you to make reservations.**

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A NOTE ABOUT FERRIES

On the Anacortes/San Juan Islands routes reservations are released on a timed roll-out as outlined below:

- **2 MONTHS before the season start date at 7:00 a.m. PST:**
 - 1/3 of all standard vehicle reservation space is released
 - All tall, non-standard vehicle space is released
- **2 WEEKS before each sailing date at 7:00 a.m. PST:**
 - 1/3 of all standard vehicle space is released
- **2 DAYS before each sailing date at 7:00 a.m. PST**
 - Final 1/3 of standard vehicle space is released

10% of the vehicle deck space is always held open for emergency and stand-by vehicles. Additional stand-by space may be available due to no shows.

BRING A LUNCH!

Campers taking the bus to camp, or being dropped off at the Anacortes ferry landing, will need to have a sack lunch to eat on the ferry. No glass OR nut products. Campers will not be allowed to purchase food on the ferry. Lunches will be provided by camp for the return trip.

CHECK-IN & PICK-UP LOCATIONS

SHORELINE BUS

Meridian Park Elementary School
17077 Meridian Ave N.
Shoreline, WA 98133

Driving Directions: From I-5, take exit 176 and proceed west on NE 175th Street. At Meridian Avenue North, turn left to head south. Proceed approx. 200 yards to the school parking lot entrance on the right.

Bus Check-In Time: 7:00am

Do not arrive late to check-in. Buses will leave as soon as campers are on board. It's very important buses make their scheduled ferry.

Bus Pick-Up Time: 4:45pm*

*Due to the nature of ferry delays, this is the time campers should return on the bus; thank you for your patience if delays take place; **PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR PICK UP.**

ANACORTES FERRY

Driving Directions: The Anacortes ferry terminal is approximately a 1.5 hour drive north of Seattle. Take I-5 North or South to Highway 20. Head west and follow signs to the Anacortes ferry landing. Park your car and proceed to the ferry terminal building. Camp staff will meet you and your camper at the picnic table outside

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the terminal. Campers will walk on to the ferry carrying their luggage. For pick-up, you will meet your camper at the picnic tables outside the ferry terminal.

Anacortes Check-In Time: 9:00am

Anacortes Pick-up Time: 3:10pm*

*Due to the nature of ferry delays, this is the time campers should return to Anacortes; thank you for your patience if delays take place; **PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR PICK UP.**

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484 Camp Orkila Rd.
Eastsound, WA 98245

Driving Directions: Follow the directions to the Anacortes ferry landing and board the ferry to Orcas Island. Ferry schedules can be obtained from the Washington State Ferries. Camp Orkila is approximately a 20 minute drive away once you arrive on Orcas. Disembark the ferry and turn Left onto Orcas Rd. for 8 miles. Continue straight onto Lover's Lane for .6 miles, then turn left onto Mt. Baker Rd. and Camp Orkila will be on the left in 1 mile. Staff will direct you to park.

Camp Check-In Time: 11:45am*

Camp Pick-Up Time: 12:15pm*

*Due to the nature of ferry delays, this is the time campers should check-in/be picked-up; thank you for your patience if delays take place, and know that we will be watching the ferries so there's no need to notify us of delays.

TRANSPORTATION LETTER

Two weeks prior to your session start date you will receive a welcome letter via email confirming the transportation choices you selected, and will also include the following information:

- Check-in and pick-up locations & times
- Travel Day Medication Form
- Brief Health Screening Form

So we can ensure a smooth check-in, please call the Camping & Outdoor Leadership Office immediately at (206) 382-5009 if the information in your transportation letter is not how you are planning to check-in and/or pick-up your camper.

Luggage tags will be distributed at your check-in locations, and are color coordinated with your camper's "bus" assignment/departure location.

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CHECK-IN PROCEDURES

In your transportation letter we will provide additional detail on check-in and check-out procedures. Check-in procedures will include at least the following:

- Check-in at the check-in table.
- Complete a brief health screening form.
- Turn in all medications (do not pack medications in your camper's luggage)
- Undergo lice check
- Upon your camper completing the lice check, you will receive a camper claim check with your child's name on it. You need this claim check for pick-up.

PICK-UP PROCEDURES

CHECKING TO SEE IF WE ARE ON TIME

AFTER 3:30PM on pick-up day there are two ways you can check to see whether we will arrive at Anacortes and Shoreline on schedule:

- Check **camporkila.org** for updates
- Call our check-in/pick-up day number to speak with a staff member: (206) 255-3517

The office at Camp Orkila is also available at (360) 376-2678 if you have questions about picking your camper up at Orkila. For the safety of your camper and the smooth operation of camp, PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR PICK-UPS!

CLAIM CHECKS & AUTHORIZED PICK-UPS

For the safety of your camper, you will receive a claim check when your camper checks in. On pick-up day, you must present this claim check before we can release your camper. Without the claim check, you or your authorized pick-up person will be asked to present a photo ID to the staff in charge to receive a replacement claim check before your camper will be released. Individuals authorized to pick-up your camper must be listed on the transportation page of your Camp Care Info Packet or in your UltraCamp account. Your camper will not be released to anyone who does not have a claim check or is not on the authorized pick-up list.

TRANSPORTATION DAY SAFETY

- Check-in areas are blocked off and secure from vehicle traffic.
- All camper medications are left with staff at the check-in table.
- First aid kits are available at check-in and on all buses that transport campers.
- Parents or guardians should accompany campers to the check-in area and remain with them until they board the bus to camp.
- Parents release their camper to camp staff when they board the bus for camp.
- At check-in, each parent is given a claim check which they will present at pick-up to identify themselves as an authorized pick-up person. Without the claim-check, the pickup person must present a photo ID and be listed on the camper's authorized pick-up list to receive a replacement claim check.
- Each bus group will be supervised by a minimum of two adults, not including the bus driver.
- Each bus will have a cell phone and emergency numbers.
- All accidents/incidents will be documented and phoned in to the transportation director as soon as possible during transit or immediately upon arrival at the destination.

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BUS SAFETY

- Buses will travel in convoy to and from camp, remaining together at all times.
- Campers must remain seated.
- Windows remain closed (buses are air-conditioned).
- No eating on the bus.
- Campers should use inside voices while traveling on the bus.
- Head counts are required each time the group boards and disembarks the bus. If campers must disembark buses in emergency situations, campers will remain on the safest side of the bus as determined by the supervisor.