

## **Camp Colman**

### **GETTING TO & FROM CAMP**

#### **TWO WAYS TO GET TO CAMP**

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

##### **1. CHARTER BUS FROM SEATTLE**

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

##### **2. CAMP CHECK-IN**

You may choose to drive your camper directly to Camp Colman.

You will select your choice for transportation at the time of registration. If you have not previously signed up for bus transportation, and would like to use our bus to/from Seattle, please contact the Camping & Outdoor Leadership office.

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 welcome letter via email confirming the transportation choices you selected, and will also include the following information:

- Check-in and pick-up locations & times
- 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.

#### **CHECK-IN & PICK-UP LOCATIONS**

##### **SEATTLE BUS CHECK-IN & PICK-UP LOCATION**

Matt Griffin YMCA  
3595 South 188th St  
SeaTac, WA 98188

**Check-In Time: Sundays at 1:30pm at the Matt Griffin YMCA**

**Pick-Up Time: Saturdays at 11:30am at the Matt Griffin YMCA**

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### **DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO THE MATT GRIFFIN YMCA:**

From I-5 North or South: take exit #152 (188th St. exit). Go West on 188th Street for .6 miles. Turn left at the light on 36th Ave S, into the parking lot for Matt Griffin YMCA. From 99/International Blvd. South: turn left on S. 188th Street. Continue for .4 miles. Turn right at the light on 36th Ave S, into the parking lot.

### **CHECK-IN PROCEDURES - BUS**

- Please come prepared with a completed brief health screening form.
- Check-in at the check-in table where staff will check you in and ensure all paperwork is completed, and distribute luggage tags once confirming your pick-up method and location.
- Turn in all medication(s) in original container(s) (do not pack in camper's luggage).
- Camper will have a brief lice-check.

Upon your camper completing the lice check, you will receive a green boarding pass which will allow your camper to get on the bus. **At the bus, you will receive a claim check for your camper. You may leave once your camper is on the bus and you have your claim check.**

Please be prompt to check-in; buses will leave no later than 2:30pm.

### **CAMP COLMAN ON-SITE CHECK-IN & PICK-UP LOCATION**

YMCA Camp Colman  
20016 Bay Road SW  
Longbranch, WA 98351

**Check-In Time: Sundays, at 3:00pm at Camp Colman**

**Pick-Up Time: Saturdays, at 10:00am at Camp Colman**

### **DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO CAMP**

From I-5, take Hwy 16 West over the Narrows Bridge\*. Take the Purdy Exit. Turn left at the light. Proceed through the towns of Key Center and Home. Make no turnoffs until 1.5 miles after the bridge in Home. Turn right on Whiteman Rd. Proceed 2.3 miles to Bay Road and take a right. Camp is at the end of Bay Road. Follow signs for Joemma Beach State Park until you reach the camp entrance. Note: Do not pass Bay Road and turn onto Whiteman Cove Rd – that is a private residence entrance with no exit.

\*Be prepared to pay a toll heading eastbound on the Tacoma Narrows Bridge.

### **CHECK-IN PROCEDURES - CAMP**

- You will be contacted at least a week prior to the start of your camper(s) session and given a window of time for drop off for their specific cabin group. This is done in an effort to decrease congestion and to limit traffic going in and out of camp.

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- When you arrive at camp, there will be staff members placed along the road to direct you towards the various check in locations. Campers and guardians must remain in the vehicle for the duration of the check-in process, until directed to exit at their cabin.
- You will be welcomed to camp, your camper(s) will complete a brief health screening form and touchless temperature check, and given further instructions for check-in and directions to your camper(s) cabin.
- The next stop in your car will be to the Camp Nurse, where they will ask that you turn in any medication and instructions.
- Turn in all medication(s) in original container(s) (do not pack in camper's luggage). To expedite the check-in process for all, the Nurse will not be able to discuss your camper's medications during check in, but they will call prior to the session. Please be prepared for that call in the week preceding your session.
- Camper will have a brief lice-check.
- When check-in is complete, you will receive a camper claim check with your child's name, their cabin name, and your pick-up time window on it as well
- You will be directed towards the cabin that your camper(s) is assigned to and will meet a staff member on the road. You will be able to drive next to the cabin (while staying on the road) to unload luggage and say goodbye.
- Please note that guardians will need to remain at the vehicle and depart promptly after saying goodbyes.

## **TRANSPORTATION DAY SAFETY**

- Check-in areas are blocked off and secure from vehicle traffic.
- 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.
- All camper medications are left with staff at the check-in location.
- Parents release campers to camp staff when they board the bus to camp

## **BUS SAFETY**

- Campers must remain seated.
- No eating is permitted 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 for emergency situations, campers will remain on the safest side of the bus as determined by the supervisor.

## **CHECK-IN & PICK-UP DAY QUESTIONS**

A staff member of the Camp team will be available on Saturdays and Sundays at (206) 255-3517 if you have questions about dropping off or picking your camper up at Colman or at the Matt Griffin Y.