



Dear Camp Billings's Families,

We hope this email finds you well, and for those of you who celebrated, we hope you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. As classroom teachers, we both understand how radically this year has affected our lives and families. As we continue to endure 2020, we must look forward with positivity and hope for summer 2021, for we still have much to be thankful for within the camp community. We are doing everything we can to create as normal a Camp Billings' experience as *possible*. We are working closely with our registrar, health officials, other camps, and our board in order to give us the best opportunity for reopening in some capacity for summer 2021.

In the past registration has always opened on December 1. Due to the challenges and changes this year, registration will be opening on FEBRUARY 1st. We have a reopening committee that meets every other week to discuss further developments in policy and procedures, restrictions, and opportunities when it comes to the likelihood of opening camp. We have decided to hold off on opening registration as we wait for further changes and a possible vaccine. The distribution and recipients of that vaccine will greatly determine how we are able to run a safe camp. We want the time between now and February 1st to be a time for you to organize, plan, and decide what you and your family can do this summer. *Until February 1, we ask you to recognize some of our plans may be subject to change as the situation demands.* Because of the unprecedented circumstances, camp will operate in a very different way than it has in the past:

- We are offering only two sessions only. One session for four weeks, and one for three weeks. We are limiting ourselves to only ONE changeover.
- Camp will operate at 70%, with 123 total campers per session as previously recommended by the Vermont Board of Health
- There will be **no 2-week sessions available**.
- Campers are eligible to come to camp for **one session only**, in order to give the most number of campers the opportunity to enjoy Billings

DATES and RATES:

First session will run from June 27th to July 25th (a total of four weeks) at a cost of \$3,400.00

Second session will run from July 29th-August 19th (a total of three weeks) at a cost of \$2,550.00

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We understand the expense and time duration is greater than under normal circumstances, and we implore you to understand these are TEMPORARY and NECESSARY changes to operating camp safely. Your campers' and our staff's safety is the most important thing to us, and we will only open camp if that safety is ensured.

If you were registered for last year, please take the following action based on what you decided to do with your registration deposit:

1. If you <u>rolled over your deposit for Summer 2021</u>. Email Marianne to tell her your preferred session. Your spot is secure.

registrar@campbillings.org

2. If you <u>donated your deposit</u> from Summer 2020. Email Marianne to tell her your preferred session. Your spot is secure, but you <u>must</u> contact Marianne.

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3. If you <u>canceled your registration</u> and got a refund for Summer 2020. Contact Marianne to secure a spot and tell your preferred session.

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4. If you rolled over OR donated and do NOT want to come to camp in 2021, contact Marianne and tell her to cancel holding you a spot.

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Please do not hesitate to contact the directors or Board of Directors with any questions. We greatly appreciate your flexibility, patience, and loyalty to Camp Billings. We love and miss you all and hope to see you in Summer 2021. Stay safe in the coming months, and Happy Holidays to you all!

All the best,

Anne and Sean Collins

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