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Dear Teen Parent and Teen Camper,

Welcome to Camp Apollo's 51st season. The camp program will commence on Monday, July 8th and conclude on Friday, August 16th. The Teen Travel Program for campers that have completed the 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th grades will be located at Plainview-Old Bethpage Middle School (POBMS) located at 121 Central Park Road.

Regular arrival and return to camp days, the hours of operation for the teen program are 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. An updated teen schedule with camper arrival and dismissal times will be available on the Camp Apollo website at www.campapollo.com and will be distributed on the first day of camp. Afterwards, you and your teen camper will receive a weekly letter providing information about the upcoming trips.

When there is a regular arrival day to camp, Teens are to be dropped off at the Central Park entrance of POB Middle School. If your Teen Camper is in a car pool with a camper(s) in the Regular Camp, the Teen Camper can be dropped off at the Main entrance of POBMS where they will be directed to the Central Park entrance.

If your Teen camper is being picked up by someone from the Regular Camp Program on a regular arrival back to camp, please notify the camp. When the Teen Buses return, your Teen camper will be directed to the main entrance of POBMS.

Please be aware of the arrival times to camp and the expected times back to camp. In addition, location of arrival to camp and location of buses coming back to camp.

On the first day of camp Teens will have an orientation session and then be assigned to their groups.

Teens who miss the swim test on June 3rd and 5th will be tested at the end of the first day of camp so their swim ability can be accessed. Campers who have not received their five camp shirts will be able to get them the week before camp starts or on the first day.

Once again, I would like to remind all parents that the Health Department requires that all campers' health and medical authorization forms be on file prior to the opening of camp. Campers without up to date medicals will not be allowed to attend camp until the completed forms have been received. A Request for an As Needed Medication form must be filled out in order for the camp to dispense any medication, including over-the-counter medications. Your signature and your physician's signature must be included. **ALL** medications need to be in their original packages. If you need another form or need additional information, you can print forms from the Camp Apollo website or call the camp office as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding medicals or any of the medical forms, please feel free to contact Gail Broad, the Camp Health Director at campapollomedical@gmail.com.

If you have not done so, please have the 2019 Camp Apollo Canada Trip notarized permission slip granting permission to take your child across an international border completed. We will be unable to take your child on this overnight without this document.

Several trip venues have waivers that must be completed for your Teen camper to participate. Go to the attached letter, "2019 Camp Apollo Teens Trip Waivers" and go to the various websites and complete the on-line waivers. There is a paper waiver attached which must be filled out and returned to camp as soon as possible.

As per Nassau County Board of Health regulations, attached to this letter is a water component permission slip for campers going on trips. This slip must be filled out, signed and returned to camp in order for your child to participate in trips that have a water component.

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It has come to our attention that our policy regarding the prohibited use of tobacco products does not specifically mention electronic cigarettes. Please be aware that it is the policy of Camp Apollo that the use of any and all electronic cigarettes and any type of vapor products is strictly prohibited by campers as well as staff. Such items ARE NOT to be brought to camp. Any camper found in possession of tobacco, tobacco products, vapor or vaping products will be asked to surrender such items to a staff member and immediate contact will be made to a parent and Camp administration.

Before closing, I would like to emphasize the following:

1. All teens are expected to adhere to all camp regulations in camp and on trips
2. The School Board and Camp Board policy of “No Smoking”, no drinking of alcoholic beverages, no drugs and no weapons will be strictly enforced.
3. All teens are expected to stay with their group and counselor.
4. All teens should expect to be supervised at all activities and on all trips.
5. All teens are expected to remain at camp until dismissal time.
6. All teens are to wear their Teen camp shirts each day with the exception to certain days which will be announced.

Any camper in the teen program that does not abide by the camp rules and regulations is subject to disciplinary action, including suspension and dismissal.

If you need to submit any medicals, waivers or other required forms, the camp office will be open the week prior to the opening of camp. It will be open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Friday, Monday, June 28th and from Monday, July 1st to Wednesday, July 3rd. The camp office is in room 217. After entering the main entrance of POBMS, go right to the first room on the right after the staircase.

As of Monday, July 8th, the regular office hours will be from 8:00 am to 5:45 pm, Monday to Friday. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the camp at (516) 938-2670.

You can check our website at www.campapollo.com for updates, including camp pictures and forms. During the camp season follow the Teens on twitter @campapollo.

Nicole Binder, the Camp Teen Director, and her staff will be ready to assist you. The entire Camp Apollo Staff is eager to provide our campers with a safe and rewarding camp experience.

Looking forward to seeing you and your camper at the Parent/Teen Camper Orientation Meeting on Monday, May 13th at 8:30 pm in POB Middle School Auditorium.

Sincerely yours,

Ed Broad

Director

The Public Health Law in relation to children’s camps has been amended to require that operators of children’s camps within the State include on the camper’s enrollment application form and/or contract form a written statement, which declares:

- a. That such camp is required to be permitted to operate by the Nassau County Department of Health;
- b. That such camp is required to be inspected twice yearly; and
- c. The inspection reports concerning such camps are filed at, 200 County Seat Drive, Mineola, NY 11501
- d. Inquiries can be made Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 4: 45 pm.