



Information Packet

Explorer 3 - July 25-30

Note: Explorer Campers will be sleeping outdoors and should pack accordingly. In addition please bring at least 2 liters worth of water bottles.

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Introduction

Greetings from Penn-York Camp,

We are looking forward to a great week of camp. Below you will find some basic information concerning camp here this summer. Please review this information, and if you have any questions, please contact us.

God Bless,

Crissie Koester

Administrative Assistant

COVID-19 – A Very Brief Overview

The following is a very brief overview of the most frequently asked questions on how COVID-19 will affect summer camp this year. For a full understanding of our COVID-19 response, please check out our website at pennyork.com/covid19

Masks – We structure most of our programming outdoors and do not intend to enforce mask wearing during outdoor activities. In addition, while indoors, campers will not need to wear masks while around their own cabin mates. Masks will be expected when indoors and not socially distanced from other cabins. Masks will also be worn while going through food lines.

Testing and Vaccines – No. PYC will not be asking for a negative test or any COVID-19 vaccine records. We will be doing a quick screening each day, and campers will be screened upon arrival. Campers are asked to stay home if sick, or if they have had close contact with someone who is positive for COVID-19.

Check In (Drop Off)

Check in for **Explorer 3** is on **Sunday, July 25** between **4-5 p.m.** All parents and campers should come to the **Pavilion (Next to the Alpine Center)** to check their child in for camp.

All forms should be completed before arrival. Completed forms can be turned in during the check in process or sent to camp before your arrival. Forms will be emailed out 21 days prior to the start of camp. If you have not received your forms, please contact the PYC office.

Check Out (Pick Up)

Check out will begin at **6 p.m. on Friday, July 30 at the Pavilion.**

Parents are asked to please not be early as it will interrupt scheduled activities. Parents can drive to the checkout location and our staff will walk you through the checkout process, which will include receiving a signed release which will be given to your child's counselor. **DO NOT** go directly to your child's cabin as, our

staff are not permitted to release your child to you unless you have received a release from the checkout location.

If a person other than a parent/legal guardian will be picking the camper up, or if the camper will need to be picked up before the designated pick up time, then the parent should fill out the **“Pick Up – Release Form”** and hand it in when you drop your child off for camp. If unforeseen circumstances make it so that you were not able to turn in the Pick Up – Release Form, call the office and explain the situation.

Contacting Your Children at Camp

Parents are encouraged to write to their children while at Camp. A letter from home is often very encouraging to campers. There are two ways that a parent can do this. The first is by snail mail. If you contact your child by snail mail, we recommend that you send the letter before the week of camp starts, that way your child will be sure to receive the letter during their stay at Camp. To send mail to camp, use the following address.

Penn-York Camp
Attn: *Camper’s Name*
266 Northern Potter Rd.
Ulysses, PA 16948

The second and faster method is to use email. To send your child an email at camp, send the email to pennYork@pennYork.com and put Attn: *Camper’s Name* in the subject line. We will then print off the email and give it to your child.

Please do not try to contact your children by phone. The reason we ask this is because we have found that a phone call will often make a camper feel homesick. Therefore, we ask that parents do not call our office and ask to talk to their child. We know that this is a lot to ask, but please trust us; your child will have a great time, and we will contact you if there are any issues.

Packing List

- Mask
- Outdoor Clothing
- Modest Swimsuit and Summer Wear*
- Sleeping Clothes
- Sleeping Bag (or sheets and blankets)
- Pillow
- Shoes and Sandals
- Soap and Shampoo
- Towel and Washcloth
- Bible
- Personal Items
- Light Jacket
- Water-bottle
- Medications (Will be given to the health officer)

Also, You May Want to Bring:

- Sheets for a single size mattress
- Camera
- Flashlight
- Musical Instrument
- Bug Spray
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Additional Spending Money (All campers start with a \$10 credit towards the camp store.)

Do Not Bring:

- Any type of electronic storage device that plays music or accesses the internet (iPods or MP3 players)
- Cell Phones
- Laptops
- Other Electronic Entertainment Gear
- Tobacco
- Alcohol
- Drugs
- Pornography
- Weapons (Penn-York Camp does allow campers to bring knives. However, campers cannot bring a knife with a blade length of over 4 inches.)

Dress Code at Penn-York Camp

- Modesty the Penn-York Definition: Penn-York Camp encourages campers to dress modestly, consistent with the instructions provided in 1 Timothy 2:9. Practically applied, shorts should be mid-thigh or longer, tank tops are permitted if not low cut at the neckline. Camis and spaghetti straps are not allowed. Underwear, cleavage, bras, and tummies should not be exposed. Immodest swimwear will require a cover up such as a dark t-shirt and or shorts. Camp staff will provide counsel and suggestions pertaining to modesty, and if necessary will require campers to change.

For More Information:

Go to our website www.pennyork.com, hover your mouse over the “Summer Camp” tab and click on “Summer Camp FAQ.” There, you will find some additional info concerning our summer camps.

Or

Feel free to call us. We are in the office Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. We would be glad to answer your questions.



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