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# **School Checklist for Departure**

3 months prior to attending KEEP:
Explore the Camp KEEP website
Begin counselor recruitment and fingerprinting process.
o All adult counselors, shadows and other volunteers must pass fingerprint clearance.
o Highly recommended that more chaperones are recruited than needed with a wait list in case o
last minute cancellations or a Covid positive test.
8 weeks before KEEP:
Make transportation arrangements to KEEP.
o 1st day arrival = 11:30; Last Day Departure = 11:30
o Create a transportation plan in case of child illness/misbehavior in case parents can't be reached
o Get current phone numbers for all administrators.
6 weeks before KEEP:
Begin curriculum preparation.
Download & distribute <u>registration materials and forms</u> from KEEP website.
o Parent Welcome Letter
o High School Registration Form or Adult Registration Form
o Student Medication form
o Emergency Pickup Form / Antigen Testing Consent Form
o Packing List
o Counselor Handbook
Arrange for IEP or 504 meeting for students with behavioral or medical needs
o Contact KEEP Supervisor about all special needs students
o Determine shadow requirement and whether family member is available
o Distribute Physician Authorization Form
Arrange a chaperone & parent information night
o Cabin groups remain separate for eating, sleeping, hygiene, campfire, transportation.
o Hike groups are 2-3 cabin groups combined.
o On departure day temp check & Pre-Travel Health Form check.
o At camp daily morning health checks by chaperones
o Students with symptoms can "test to stay" if Antigen Testing Consent Form is signed.
o Show and discuss all forms needed
4 weeks before KEEP:
Acquire backup PPE to bring to camp for first aid/illness emergencies
o School provides an emergency PPE kit (gloves, gowns, N95 masks, face shields, hand sanatizer
for any teachers that help with 1st aid.
Collect all forms. Review for completeness.
o Registration Forms (alphabetized)
Require parent signature

• Attach health insurance card, if applicable

#### (4 weeks before KEEP cont.)

- Discuss minor medical issues (bed wet, sleepwalk, food allergies) with parents.
- Note all issues on Food, Medical & Behavior List
- o Emergency Pickup Forms / Antigen Testing Consent Form (staple to Reg Form)
  - Require parent signature & at least 4 adult contacts
- o Medication Forms (alphabetized)
  - Needed for all meds (prescription & over the counter)
  - Require parent & doctor signatures.
  - Email to KEEP for review.
- o Physician Authorization Forms (alphabetized)
  - Require parent, doctor, and shadow signature.
  - Email to KEEP for review.

<ul> <li>Discuss needed accommodations with KEEP</li> </ul>
Check on transportation arrangements.
Check on counselor numbers.
o I counselor for every 7 students. Teachers & shadows do not count towards ratio.

- o Contact KEEP ASAP if you do not have enough counselors to discuss options.
- o Arrange for backup counselors. 2 extras (above required ratio) can attend for free.

### 2 weeks before KEEP:

Discuss	with	students	s:

- o Social issues (bedwetting, homesickness, showering, communal living)
- o Behavior expectations
- o Health and sickness protocols
- Email to Program Supervisor the following:
  - o Attendance Roster
  - o Cabin Assignments for Ocean or By The Sea
    - Indicate adult-student connections
  - o Food, Medical & Behavior List
    - Include medical, dietary, behavior issues
  - o Student Medication Forms
    - Check for parent & doctor signatures for each medication
  - o Physician Authorization Forms
    - Check for parent & doctor & shadow signature
    - Confirm shadow attendance & arrange needed training
- Check on counselor commitment & make backup plans if needed

#### I week before KEEP:

Pass out <u>Pre-Travel Health Screening Forms</u> to families
o Participants must monitor their health symptoms for one week before Camp KEEP
Prepare activities & pack supplies for Teacher Hour
Conduct initial student lice check (Monday), treatment, & recheck (Friday)
Collect student medications
o Match name & dosage of medication to the form

- o Place meds & form in labeled ziplock bag
- o Put all meds in a box and store in a secure location

Departure Day for Camp KEEP (before boarding bus!)
At school, during check-in
o Designate separate cabin gathering areas and luggage drop off areas
o Get all student medications
<ul> <li>Collect &amp; screen last minute student medications/forms</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Email any new forms to KEEP immediately</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Shadows should carry their student's emergency medication to KEEP.</li> </ul>
o Conduct health screening with all participants
<ul> <li>Collect &amp; review the Pre-Travel Health Screening Form</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Form must be signed by parent/guardian within 24 hours</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Participants must be symptom free for 7 days before departure</li> </ul>
Take temperature of all participants
<ul> <li>Temperatures must be below 100.4 degrees before departure</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Fill out <u>Predeparture School Health Assessment Certification</u> form</li> </ul>
Boarding the bus/vehicle
o Take roll as students & adults board the bus/vehicles
o Assign vehicle seating to decrease exposure risk to sickness
<ul> <li>First, seat by cabin groups. Seats can be shared</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Second, place cabins in the same hike group near each other.</li> </ul>
o Teacher that arrives first must have:
All registration forms.
<ul> <li>Predeparture School Health Assessment Certification form. (Attach health screening forms)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Box of student medications &amp; forms.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Teacher on bus should have students' emergency medication</li> </ul>
When bus leaves school, call Camp KEEP
o Update ETA & attendance changes
Upon arrival at Camp KEEP:
Give KEEP staff
o Student registration /emergency pickup / antigen testing consent forms (alphabetized)
o Predeparture School Health Assessment Certification with health screening forms (alphabetized)
o Adult registration/ behavior contracts (alphabetized)
o Box of student medications & forms
Collect electronics & snacks from students as they disembark
Notify school of safe arrival
Update KEEP staff on any unusual circumstances
Move into your cabin & use the bathroom
Meet at amphitheater for welcome & introductions