



January 20, 2020

Dear Families,

On behalf of the entire Ramah in the Rockies team - WELCOME TO CAMP!

**If you are busy now, please save this email for later as it contains important information regarding your child's ability to attend camp this summer.**

While outside the winter chill is in the air, the summer spirit is pervasive in our camp office as we actively plan all aspects of the summer: hiring staff, planning chuggim (activities), and most importantly, preparing to welcome your children. We still have spaces left in some sessions and appreciate our families, YOU, continuing to spread the word about our summer program. We look forward to a summer of fun, outdoor activities, and personal growth among our camp community.

As an overnight summer camp, our number one concern is the safety and security of your children. We are a licensed child-care facility operating under the authorizations of different agencies of the State of Colorado. As such, we thank you for helping us provide the best possible care for your children while also complying with state regulations by completing and submitting your child's forms by the listed deadlines.

Beginning with this letter, and continuing each month, there will be regular updates from us about logistics for camp as well as reminders for your camper's forms. While these letters may seem lengthy at times, it is important to read each. Please know that you are always welcome to call our office 303-261-8214 to speak with any of us with your concerns or questions. We especially value detailed information you share for how we may best support your children while they are in our care. If you feel something was left out of your camper's application, do reach out to us. Our extensions are listed on our main directory, or if you are not sure who to ask, just dial "0" and one of us will help you.

As a reminder, if you are receiving this email, you have a CampMinder/CampInTouch login. If you do not remember how to access your CampMinder/CampInTouch account, visit [ramahoutdoors.org](http://ramahoutdoors.org) and click on the green button at the upper right corner of the screen to log in. If you have forgotten your password, please email [Sandra](mailto:Sandra) and she will be happy to send you a password reset link.

Please log on to your CampMinder account to complete your camper's forms. **Please note that ONLY campers with completed forms will be allowed at camp.**

Most of the information you need to prepare for camp is in our [Camper Handbook](#); the Camper Handbook is also located within the Forms and Documents section of your CampMinder account. Parents find our [Packing List](#) and [Transportation Quick Facts](#) as their most helpful one-stop resources for answers.

While we encourage all parents (and campers) to read the full Camper Handbook, we realize that some returning families might want the abbreviated version. There are three key changes that we want to emphasize:

1. **Medications** - If your camper regularly takes medications or vitamins, parents may either (1) pre-fill all medications and vitamins at a licensed pharmacy that will individually package them into daily dosage packets that are sealed and labeled for each day that their child will be at camp, or (2) parents may prepackage medications and vitamins in individual blister packs. These links will give you more information about our

updated [Medication Policy](#), detailed instructions for [pre-filling medication packets](#), and a step-by-step how-to [video](#) for assembling the blister packs.

2. **Flat Packages** - Besides, letters, postcards, and one-way emails, Ramah in the Rockies will only accept large, flat envelopes up to 12" x 15" (for magazines, photos, or books). Small items, such as stickers, pens, and Silly Bandz, are permitted as long as they fit inside the flat envelope. Any non-flat package or packages containing items other than those mentioned will not be delivered to your camper.
3. **Picture Posting** - Due to the remote location of our camp and limited internet bandwidth at camp, our communications team must travel over an hour to nearby towns to upload photos. Therefore, we plan to upload photos two times per week, typically on Mondays and Thursdays.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Pre-Camp Orientation**

In the spring, we host both in person and online pre-camp orientation sessions for parents and campers. These sessions are open to all, but will be most relevant for new camp families.

<b>Colorado In-Person</b>	<b>Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:00pm MST</b> <b>Location in Denver: TBA</b>
<b>New York In-Person</b>	<b>Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>, 3:00pm EST</b> <b>Location in NYC : UWS</b>
<b>Online #1</b>	<b>Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 pm EST</b> Link to RSVP will be live on 3/1/20
<b>Online #2</b>	<b>Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 pm PST</b> Link to RSVP will be live on 3/1/20

### **Help us find our final campers:**

We have limited space in some camper sessions and word of mouth is our best marketing tool. Do you have friends interested in camp? Please tell them to call or email us for exact availability.

Please feel free to email us with any other questions you might have, and we look forward to seeing your kids up at the ranch in just two short months!

-The Ramah in the Rockies Team