SUMMER 2020 IMPORTANT INFORMATION

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION:
For billing, registration, and general questions, at all times, please call the main office:
➢ SOCAPA MAIN OFFICE: Toll Free: (800) 718-2787; NY Local: (646) 828-3558
➢ Email: info@socapa.org

Once the SOCAPA MOUNTAIN CAMP begins, to reach the SMC Resident Life office for questions/information about arrival, housing, visiting, or anything concerning your child’s stay with SOCAPA, please use the following:
➢ SOCAPA SMC Office Phone: Dial extension 715 from the SOCAPA MAIN office line.
➢ Email: smc@socapa.org

IMPORTANT DATES:
APRIL 1, 2020:
FORMS and PAYMENT DUE!
Final Payment, On-Line Health History Form, Medical Release Form, and copy of Proof of Health Insurance coverage is Due! For registrations after April 1, full payment and all forms are due with registration.

JUN 28 - JULY 3 OR JULY 10, 1 OR 2-WEEK CAMP

JUN 28, SUNDAY – SMC ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION
11-2p Airport Pickups* at Burlington International Airport (BTV).
   Please try to schedule arriving flights between 10:00am-1:00pm.
   Our staff will greet students at Baggage Claim.
3-4p Check-in and Registration at Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center.
   Campers receive room key and roommate assignments and continue to their dorm.
4-5p Day Camper Check-in at Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center
5-6p Student Orientation – Tour of Campus & Facilities
   Safety, Rules, Sample films
6-7p Welcome Ride
7-8p BBQ Dinner – Day Campers encouraged to stay for BBQ
8p Day Camper Pick-up
8-9p Action Movie Sampler
9:30p Dorm Camper Floor Meetings
10p Floor Check-in

JUN 29, MONDAY – First Full Day
8:45a Day Camper Drop-off
9a Morning Ride / Classes Begins

JULY 3, FRIDAY - Final Showcase & Departure for 1-week Students
10a-12p Dorm Check-out, Parent Pick-ups
5p Final Showcase & Wrap Party, Parents and Families Welcome

JULY 4, SATURDAY – Airport Departures for 1-week Students***
8a – Depart for airport. Flights should be scheduled for between 11am and 3pm.

JULY 5 – JULY 10, 1-WEEK CAMP BEGINS

JULY 5, SUNDAY – SMC ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION
11-2p Airport Pickups* at Burlington International Airport (BTV).
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8p Day Camper Pick-up
8-9p Action Movie Sampler
9:30p Dorm Camper Floor Meetings
10p Floor Check-in

JULY 6, MONDAY – First Full Day
8:45a Day Camper Drop-off
9a Morning Ride / Classes Begins

JULY 10, FRIDAY – Final Showcase & Departure For All Programs Ending July 10
10a-12p Dorm Check-out, Parent Pick-ups
5p Final Showcase & Wrap Party, Parents and Families Welcome

JULY 11, SATURDAY – Airport Departures For Programs Ending July 10***
8a – Depart for airport. Flights should be scheduled for between 11am and 3pm.

JULY 12 – JULY 17 OR JULY 24, 1 OR 2-WEEK CAMP

JULY 12, SUNDAY – SMC ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION
10-1p Airport Pickups* at Burlington International Airport (BTV).
   Please try to schedule arriving flights between 10:00am-1:00pm.
   Our staff will greet students at Baggage Claim.
3-4p Check-in and Registration at Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center.
   Campers receive room key and roommate assignments and continue to their dorm.
4-5p Day Camper Check-in at Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center
5-6p Student Orientation – Tour of Campus & Facilities
Safety, Rules, Sample films

6-7p  Welcome Ride
7-8p  BBQ Dinner – Day Campers encouraged to stay for BBQ
8p    Day Camper Pick-up
8-9p  Action Movie Sampler
9:30p Dorm Camper Floor Meetings
10p   Floor Check-in

**JULY 13, MONDAY** – First Full Day
8:45a  Day Camper Drop-off
9a     Morning Ride /Classes Begins

**JULY 17, FRIDAY - Final Showcase & Check Out For 1-week Students**
10a-12p Dorm Check-out, Parent Pick-ups
5p     Final Showcase & Wrap Party, Parents and Families Welcome

**JULY 18, SATURDAY** – Airport Departures For 1-week Students***
8a – Depart for airport. Flights should be scheduled for between 11am and 3pm.

**JUL 19– JULY 24, 1-WEEK CAMP BEGINS**

**JUL 20, SUNDAY** – SMC ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION
11-2p  Airports Pickups* at Burlington International Airport (BTV).
        Please try to schedule arriving flights between 10:00am-1:00pm.
        Our staff will greet students at Baggage Claim.
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10p   Floor Check-in

**JULY 21, MONDAY** – First Full Day
8:45a  Day Camper Drop-off
9a     Morning Ride / Classes Begins

**JULY 24, FRIDAY - Final Showcase & Check Out, All Programs Ending July 24**
10a-12p Dorm Check-out, Parent Pick-ups
5p     Final Showcase & Wrap Party, Parents and Families Welcome

**JULY 25, SATURDAY** – Airport Departures For Programs Ending July 24***
8a – Depart for airport. Flights should be scheduled for between 11am and 3pm.
ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE DETAILS:

- Check-in and Registration is located at the base of our campus for this session, Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center (2559 Mountain Rd., East Burke, Vermont 05832).
- If you are dropping your student off, we invite you to bring your child to campus between 3-4pm on the opening Sunday of the program. You can help your child get settled, go out and get necessary supplies, and have a look around the facilities. Parents should plan to leave by 4:45pm, before program meetings and orientation begin. On the final Saturday of the program, pick up is between 8-9:30am.
- Day Students should plan to attend the activities on the opening Sunday from 4pm – 8pm.
- We service BTV on the opening Sunday and final Saturday of each session only. Please schedule arriving/departing flights between 11am-3pm. There is a $75 transfer fee each way. Flights that arrive/depart outside the recommended time slot may be subject to an additional transfer fee.
- If your child is traveling as an “Unaccompanied Minor,” as designated by the airline, there is an additional fee of $150 round-trip charged by SOCAPA. It is very important that you notify SOCAPA if you have purchased the Unaccompanied Minor service from your airline. We will be able to inform you of the name of the person who will be picking your child up the Friday before your arrival date, but not before. Please note that the airline also charges for this service.
- We will meet students at the baggage claim area for their flight. SOCAPA staff will be wearing a SOCAPA t-shirt and have a sign with student name. There are only two baggage carousels at the Burlington airport, and we are hard to miss. On departure day, we see students to their airline ticket counter, but we cannot accompany them past security.
- Check-out procedure: Students are responsible for cleaning their rooms and returning their room key. An additional fee is levied for a lost room key ($25) and/or excessive cleaning (from $25 - $100).

**Checkout:** Students may store their baggage with us between checkout and the showcase if needed. Families may also arrange to stay at the Burke Mountain Resort for an additional night and depart on Saturday.

***Airport Departures:** Families requesting that their student be transported to the airport at the end of the program by SOCAPA staff should contact the Administrative office ahead of time to arrange for an extra night’s stay in the dorm. Programs officially end on Friday, but departing flights should be scheduled for Saturday to enable students to stay through the Friday final showcase.

LOCATION:
The SOCAPA MOUNTAIN CAMP is held at the Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center. This host campus location is ideally located trailside to the Burke Mountain Bike Park and the world-renowned Kingdom Trails, offering well-over 100 miles of x-country, single-track, gravity, and downhill MTB terrain. The Burke Mountain Hotel also features a variety of comfortable conference spaces, which we convert for our classrooms, editing labs, and screening spaces.
RESIDENCE: The Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center opened its doors in the fall of 2016, and will host students and staff during SOCAPA’s 2-week Mountain Camp. Most students will stay in rooms that feature three beds, bureaus, lamps, a table, and an adjoining bathroom, as well as a small kitchen area with a refrigerator. All rooms are air-conditioned and furnished with linens. Hotel staff will clean common and residential areas regularly, but students should be responsible in keeping their rooms clean and leaving common areas in the same condition they were when they entered.

For family members traveling with their children to camp for arrivals or departures, the hotel offers discounted rates available by calling 866-966-4820 and referencing SOCAPA.

DINING: SMC offers a variety of meals that can accommodate any food allergy. Over the course of the camp there will be different menus, themes and types of food. All meals are prepared on-site, and most are served in an all-you-can-eat buffet-style.

CHECK-IN: Check-in and Registration will take place between 3pm and 4pm on the first Sunday of the program at the Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center, located at 2559 Mountain Rd., East Burke, Vermont. You will receive your room key and roommate(s) assignments upon your arrival. It is important that Day Students attend registration and orientation. Please plan to arrive at 4pm and stay until 8pm.

DAY STUDENTS: Day students are strongly encouraged to attend Sunday’s registration and orientation (please plan to arrive at 4pm) since we will be handing out the master schedules and covering other valuable information. This orientation will also provide you with a chance to meet your fellow campers, coaches, instructors and staff. The day student schedule normally runs from Monday – Friday, 8:45-5pm, although there are some days that may start earlier and end later.

RESIDENTIAL STUDENTS: Mail: You can have mail sent to: “Student Name” c/o SOCAPA Summer Camp Burke Mountain Hotel & Conference Center 2559 Mountain Road East Burke, VT 05832

Phones/Internet Access: Students have access to the phone in the office for emergencies. Students may bring their cell phones but they must be turned off in all classrooms, editing rooms and screenings or they will be immediately confiscated. Students have access to computer labs during the day and there is free wireless access in the residence halls.

Keys/ID Cards: DO NOT LOSE YOUR KEY! You are expected to have your key in your possession at all times. There is a $25 lost key fee if we need to replace your key.

Laundry: Coin operated washers and dryers are available for your use.
**Spending Money:** The room and board fee covers nightly board and three meals a day, as well as planned activities during the evenings. Students may want to bring spending money for snacks or for any shopping they may want to do during their stay. We suggest $5-$10 a day for incidentals. Because **SOCAPA cannot access money for students if they run out**, we recommend sending your child with a prepaid/reloadable debit card if they do not have a bankcard already, such as a Visa prepaid card or PayPal prepaid MasterCard. These cards can be used to purchase necessities and withdraw cash. If the student runs out of money, parents can reload the card from home.

**Bike Rentals:** Bike rentals for the camp are available through East Burke Sports in Lyndonville, VT ([https://eastburkesports.com](https://eastburkesports.com)). Please contact us in advance if you are renting your bike, and we will have it waiting for you at the start of camp.

**MEDICAL EMERGENCY:**
In the event of a medical emergency, students will be taken to the emergency room of the Northern Vermont Regional Hospital located in St. Johnsbury, VT ([http://www.nvrh.org](http://www.nvrh.org)). Non-emergency cases will be brought to the walk-in care. Parents/guardians will be notified immediately. All students are required to have primary medical coverage and to list emergency contacts on our medical form.

**WHAT TO BRING:**

**PLEASE LABEL YOUR BELONGINGS!**

With a permanent marker, personalized sticker labels, or your preferred method, please label your belongings, particularly all technological items. It reduces our lost and found pile and makes for happy campers and parents when you return home with all your belongings. Please think twice when packing valuable items- Do you need it? Are you responsible with your belongings or do you leave them around?

**ALL STUDENTS:**

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In addition to the above suggestions for all students, please see the program lists below:

**Wheel-n-Reel Mountain Bike & Film Combo**

**MANDATORY:**

- A Mountain Bike with front suspension and disc brakes (please coordinate with us and East Burke Sports ([https://eastburkesports.com](https://eastburkesports.com)) for a rental if needed)
- A helmet, backpack, and water bottle
- Proper mountain biking attire: padded bike shorts, bike shoes, bike jerseys

**RECOMMENDED:**
- An external **MAC-compatible** USB/FireWire hard drive (not one that must plug into wall) of at least 80 Gigs so that you can take all your digitized raw footage and project files home with you. It also allows you to edit on any available computer in our editing lab. We recommend a LaCie Rugged.

- **Film Ideas:** Your film will profile you as a young biker and filmmaker. What is your motto or favorite slogan/quote? Why? Who are your heroes? Why? What’s your favorite song or band? What else do you love to do? What is unique about where you are from? What makes you special?

- **Music** that you think would be good in your film. Bring it on your hard-drive or a USB thumb drive, not your mp3 player.

- **Any camera** that you own that you want to learn how to better use; any film or video work you want to share.