

Modin Transportation Policies & Procedures

Your Get Ready Information Booklet provided you with all of the pickup and drop off details for the Yonkers, NY & Boston Logan Airport, as well as Portland Jetport pickup & drop off service. All families will receive notifications via email when the vehicles arrive at camp. For the return trips, we will email you with updates on the location of the vehicles, including any delays, to determine the most accurate arrival time possible.

SAFETY PROCEDURES TO CAMP: The Modin staff will be busy coordinating loading procedures and thus cannot assume responsibility for your children until they are on the vehicles. Therefore, we ask all parents and/or guardians to carefully supervise their children at all times while in loading area. These are active parking lots, and it is important that you keep an eye on your children for their safety. The Modin staff at the start of the trip will explain safety procedures and policies and all campers are expected to follow them and behave appropriately.

SAFETY PROCEDURES FROM CAMP: The Modin staff are responsible for supervising your children until they are turned over to you. The children will not be allowed to exit the vehicles until they have stopped and the driver and Modin staff have determined it is safe for everyone to exit. The staff will off-load the campers in an orderly fashion, and we ask all parents to refrain from rushing towards the vehicles as it creates an unsafe condition. Please remind your children to gather their personal belongings. Modin staff will remain in the loading areas until all campers have been picked up. If you are running late, please contact the Modin summer office at +1.207.465.4444. The Modin staff at the start of the trip will explain safety procedures and policies and all campers are expected to follow them and behave appropriately.

Portland Jetport

All families with children flying in and out of the Portland Jetport are required to provide us with the **approved** appropriate flight details including airline, flight number and scheduled departure and arrival times by June 1st. All children traveling **to camp** will be picked up by Modin staff and transported to camp. We will contact you by phone and/or email upon their arrival at camp. All children traveling **from camp** will be chaperoned from the camp, checked in with the appropriate airlines, and escorted through security screening to their gate (provided they are registered as accompanied minors). Modin staff remain in the airport until each aircraft takes off.

If your child's flight **to camp** is delayed, please contact the Modin summer office immediately at +1.207.465.4444. The camp will discuss the options that are available to you for alternative flights. We will do our absolute best to accommodate delayed flights, however when delays stretch well into the evening the camp, at its sole discretion, may inform you that you will have to make flight arrangements for the following day. We understand how frustrating and disappointing this can be, but it is unsafe to have staff—who have been on duty since 7:00 AM—driving vehicles on highways late into the night. We ask that you respect this policy and understand that we have no control over the airlines. If your child's flight **from camp** is delayed or canceled, we will contact you to discuss options.

Children traveling by plane may travel with a cell/mobile phone as long as the camp is notified of this **in advance** and the child turns it over to the staff immediately upon landing. The phone will be returned to them for use on any return flight home.

SAFETY PROCEDURES TO & FROM CAMP: Campers catching flights will be transported to and/or from the airport in either buses or vans. The Modin staff at the start of the trip will explain safety procedures and policies and all campers are expected to follow them and behave appropriately.

Cross County Shopping Center NY Bus Information

The New York Area buses will depart from the Cross County Shopping Center, located at exit 4 off of the Major Deegan Expressway, on **Wednesday, June 26, 2024**. Our **UPDATED PICKUP LOCATION** is the **PARKING LOT OUTSIDE OF SHOWCASE CINEMAS**. For GPS directions put in **"101 Vredenburg Avenue, Yonkers, New York 10704"**.

There are five charter buses coming to pick up the Modin group. Please check in no later than **7:45 AM**. Please note that if you arrive earlier than 7:45 AM our staff and buses may not yet have arrived. ***Please check in with our NY Bus Supervisor, Michelle Morris-Marks.*** She will be clearly stationed at a check in table.

There is always MAJOR traffic, especially crossing the George Washington bridge. Allow plenty of time in the AM as our buses must leave promptly at 9:00 AM.

Campers have been grouped on buses according to their cabin assignments. We recognize that some families, especially those with young or first-time campers, would prefer to have all of their children traveling on the same bus. We have found that grouping the children on buses according to their cabin is the first step in helping kids transition into camp life. In addition, the "rambunctious" noise level of "spirited" older campers can often overwhelm an eight year-old. Fully trained staff members will be on each bus to help deal with the separation issues that are common on opening day. We ask that you respect this policy. Any parent who attempts to interfere in the boarding process will have their campers denied access onto the buses.

Please note that we do not begin the loading process until the very last minute, once everyone has arrived and checked in. We have found that loading too early while still waiting for the last stragglers to arrive creates anxiety for some families. Our supervisor will announce when boarding will commence and we thank you in advance for your understanding.

No one, except campers and staff, are permitted onto the buses. Once your children are on the bus, they are on it until they get to camp. We cannot safely take attendance with children getting on and off of the buses. Please say your "good-byes" in the loading area. In addition, we ask parents to help the departure process by allowing us to load the buses and depart quickly, as we have a long journey. We will **EMAIL** you upon our safe arrival at Modin. Please check your email for notification around **4:30 PM**.

Except for international campers who have been pre-approved, ***absolutely no luggage will be collected at the buses***. All luggage must be shipped in advance. Two small carry-on bags are permitted, as well as items such as sports equipment. Carry-on rules for the Modin buses are the same carry-on rules that the airlines use.

A light lunch will be provided on the buses, as well as snacks. Feel free to pack extra food items, juice boxes, etc., for your children in their carry-on bags. ***All items must be Kosher and cannot contain any nuts***. All leftover food, candy and drink items are confiscated at camp so do not send more than they need for the bus. If your children will need to take medications while en-route, please notify a Modin representative. In addition, if your children suffer from motion sickness, we ask that you notify us and, if possible, administer a motion sickness pill 30-60 minutes prior to departure.

If you have any questions regarding camp policies, you need to contact the Modin office directly. The Modin representatives at the buses are there to provide for a safe and expedient trip up to camp. They will not have time to answer questions that do not relate to the bus ride. In addition, all forms and payments must be made to the summer office **prior** to departure date. Modin representatives are not permitted to collect payments and documents at the Cross County Shopping Center. If you have any questions, please contact our summer office at +1.207.465.4444 or email us at modin@modin.com.

A reminder: Wifi and cellular/mobile devices are prohibited on the buses.



Boston Logan Airport Transport Service

We will be offering shuttle service between Logan Airport and camp. This service is primarily for our Florida families, as well as any families who are living/staying locally in the Boston area. This service operates on opening day (**Wednesday, June 26, 2024**) transition day (**Sunday, July 21, 2024**) and closing day (**Sunday, August 11, 2024**). Families should consult the transportation section of the GET READY BOOKLET for information and limitations on this service..

No one, except campers and staff, are permitted onto the transportation vehicles. Once your children are on the vehicles, they are on it until they get to camp. Please say your “good-byes” in the loading area. In addition, we ask parents to help the departure process by allowing us to load and depart quickly. We will EMAIL you upon their safe arrival at Modin.

Except for international campers who have been pre-approved, **absolutely no luggage will be collected in Boston**. All luggage must be shipped in advance. Two small carry-on bags are permitted, as well as items such as sports equipment.

Due to the short duration (2.5 hours) no meals will be provided. Feel free to pack food items, snacks, juice boxes, water, etc., for your children in their carry-on bags. **All items must be Kosher and cannot contain any nuts**. All leftover food, candy and drink items are confiscated at camp so do not send more than they need for the ride up.

If you have any questions regarding camp policies, you need to contact the Modin office directly. The Modin representatives at the vans are there to provide for a safe and expedient trip up to camp. They will not have time to answer questions that do not relate to the vans ride. In addition, all forms and payments must be made to the summer office prior to departure date. Modin representatives are not permitted to collect payments and documents at the Boston Logan pickup. If you have any questions, please contact our office at +1.207.465.4444 or email us at modin@modin.com.