

Dear Parents and Members of the Class of 2014:

On behalf of the administration, faculty and staff at Newberg High School, we want to welcome you to the start of the 2010-2011 school year. Your four years in your small school at Newberg High School will provide you with a multitude of opportunities to develop your talents and abilities.

In an effort to make the transition to high school as smooth as possible, we are pleased to invite you to our two day Freshmen Orientation program. The first day will be Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> from 7:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. The program will begin in the high school commons. Yellow and Blue students will board buses and go to Camp Yamhill for an advisory team building activity, in the afternoon they will return to the high school and participate in more activities with their advisory teacher. Green and SILVER students will go with their advisory teachers to their classrooms in the morning and then in the afternoon they will go to Camp Yamhill and participate in the team building activities in the afternoon.

Students will need to dress casually, wearing comfortable gym shoes and clothes as they will be participating on a challenge course at Camp Yamhill. Also students will need to bring a bag lunch, and a bottle of water.

On Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup>, freshmen will participate in the LINKCrew program from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the main gym. LINKCrew is a highly successful program in high schools all over the U.S. The program operates by organizing a group of selected campus leaders--seniors and juniors--who act as mentors and positive role models for freshmen students. These student leaders conduct activities during an interactive frosh orientation where 9th graders meet their Link Leaders, each other, and become more familiar with their small school.

Thursday night, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, we are inviting the freshmen and their parents to a barbeque at the high school from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Students and parents can meet with the principal, staff and other families from their small school. The barbeque will be located in the commons and we are asking for each family to bring a dessert to share with their small school communities.

In order for this event to run smoothly please turn in your child's Camp Yamhill release form and the enclosed barbeque RSVP to Sue Anderson in the main office by August 27<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you on September 1st and September 2nd and hope that this program will be an enjoyable and informative opportunity for parents and students.

Sincerely,

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## Freshman Orientation Schedule

### **Wednesday September 1<sup>st</sup>**

Small School	Blue	Green	SILVER	Yellow
7:45 a.m.	Students report to the high school commons	Students report to the high school commons	Students report to the high school commons	Students report to the high school commons
8:00 a.m.	Camp Yamhill	Advisory classrooms	Advisory classrooms	Camp Yamhill
11:45 a.m.	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
12:15 p.m.	Return to high school for Advisory work	Camp Yamhill	Camp Yamhill	Return to high school for Advisory work
3:45 p.m.	End of day 1	End of day 1	End of day 1	End of day 1

### **Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Small School	Blue	Green	SILVER	Yellow
8 a.m.	Students report to main gym	Students report to main gym	Students report to main gym	Students report to main gym
12 p.m.	End of LinkCrew	End of LinkCrew	End of LinkCrew	End of LinkCrew
5 p.m.	BBQ in the commons	BBQ in the commons	BBQ in the commons	BBQ in the commons
7:30	End of BBQ	End of BBQ	End of BBQ	End of BBQ

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#### **Camp Yamhill RSVP**

Please circle one and return this form and the Camp Yamhill release form to the Newberg High School main office by August 27th

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

**YES my son/daughter will be attending the Freshman Orientation at Camp Yamhill on Wednesday September 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**No my son/daughter will not be attending the Freshman Orientation at Camp Yamhill on Wednesday September 1<sup>st</sup>.**

#### **Freshman BBQ RSVP**

Please circle one and return to the Newberg High School main office by August 27th

**YES we will be attending the Freshman BBQ on Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**No we will not be attending the Freshman BBQ on Thursday September 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

# CAMP YAMHILL CHALLENGE COURSE

Participants Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization with which you are participating: \_\_\_\_\_

Health insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please read this document carefully. It must be signed by all participants in programs of CAMP YAMHILL. If the participant is a minor, at least one parent or guardian (parent and guardian being referred to as Parent) must also sign, as evidence of their agreement to these terms and conditions on their own behalf and on behalf of the minor participant. References in this agreement to "I" or "we" refer to all who sign below, unless otherwise indicated.*

## PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

### (Including Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risks, Agreements of Release and Indemnity, and Other Provisions)

In consideration of the services of YAMHILL ENCAMPMENT, INC, a Non-Profit Organization, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Oregon ( referred to in this document as "CAMP YAMHILL"), I, Participant and Parent of a minor participant, acknowledge and agree, for myself and on behalf of a minor participant for whom I sign, as follows:

#### Activities and Risks

I understand that the challenge course activities conducted by Camp Yamhill, the structures and premises on which they are conducted and related equipment, may expose participants to certain risks. The activities require moderate physical exertion, and include a variety of games and initiatives, high and low challenge course elements (a variety of structures over, through and on which participants may be asked to walk, swing or climb, with or without the assistance of staff or co-participants) and associated challenge course climbing activities. Certain of the challenge course elements may be as high as 50 feet off the ground and, while reasonable measures will be taken to prevent a fall or collision, accidents may occur.

Among the hazards and risks of the activities and use of the premises and equipment are the following: falls; abrupt and possibly damaging contact with structures and other objects, and other persons; anxieties and fears associated with heights; close contact with other participants; the carelessness of participants, and misjudgments on the part of the staff of Camp Yamhill, the failure of structures and equipment; and the unpredictable forces of nature. Participants may experience an increased heart rate and other symptoms of anxiety and stress due to physical exertion, reliance on other participants, and a fear of height or of being unprotected or falling. Participants and staff may fail to follow proper procedures, instructions and the operating policies of Camp Yamhill. Injuries associated with participation in this program may include breaks, sprains, strains, bruises and other contusions and in extreme cases, emotional upset, anxiety and even death.

I understand that there may be times during the training day in which participants will not be supervised by Camp Yamhill, and that Camp Yamhill has no responsibility for participant during those times, or for the general condition of the premises on which the activities are conducted, or for any activity on such premises other than the actual training activities.

The description above of these risks is not complete and other unknown or unanticipated risks may result in property loss, injury or death. Engaging in these activities may require a degree of skill and knowledge different from other activities with which participants may be familiar. Participants have responsibilities for managing the risks to themselves others. The training activities are instructional in nature and participants are expected to expand and challenge their skills and judgment. Participant and Parent acknowledge that participation in this activity is purely voluntary, and with full knowledge of the inherent and other risks.

Acknowledgment and Assumption of Risks

Understanding the nature of the activities and their risks, and that other risks may be encountered which cannot be reasonably anticipated, I acknowledge and expressly assume all risks of the Camp Yamhill activities, whether or not described in this document, known or unknown and inherent or not. I take full responsibility for any injury or loss, including death, which I, or the minor for whom I sign, my suffer, arising in whole or part out of my, or the minor's, enrollment or participation in the activities of Camp Yamhill.

Release and Indemnity

If I am an adult Participant or the Parent of a minor Participant, I hereby agree, for myself and on behalf of the minor participant for whom I sign below, TO RELEASE, INDEMNIFY (that is, defend, protect and pay claims, including costs and attorneys fees), AND HOLD HARMLESS Camp Yamhill, its owners, officers, agents, and employees, ("Released Parties"), with respect to any and all claims of injury, disability, death, or other loss or damage to person or property suffered by me, by any member of my family, rescuers, co-participants, or any other person, arising in whole or part from my participation in the training or any related activity, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF A RELEASED PARTY OR OTHERWISE, and to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Additional Provisions

I, an adult Participant or Parent of a minor Participant, authorize Camp Yamhill to provide or obtain for me, or for the minor, such medical care as it considers necessary and appropriate, and I agree to pay all costs associated with such care and related transportation. Camp Yamhill and any third party medical care giver are authorized to exchange medical information concerning my, or the minor's, medical condition. Any dispute between a Released Party and Parent or Participant will be governed by the substantive laws of the State of Oregon (not including laws which might apply the laws of another jurisdiction), and any mediation or suit shall take place only in that state, in Yamhill County. If the dispute cannot be resolved by mutual agreement, I agree to submit it to a mediator recognized by the Courts of that State and County. I will pay all costs and attorney's fees incurred by any Released Party in defending a claim or suit brought by me, or by or on behalf of the minor participant, if the claim or suit is withdrawn or to the extent a court or mediator determines that the Released Party is not responsible for the claimed injury or loss.

This agreement is entered into voluntarily, and after careful consideration. Its terms cannot be supplemented or amended except in writing. I understand and agree that it is binding, to the fullest extent allowed by law, upon all persons signing below, their respective heirs, executors, administrators, wards, minor children (whether or not they are Participants) and other family members. If any part of this agreement is found by a Court or other appropriate authority to be invalid, the remainder of the agreement nevertheless shall be in full force and effect.

In emergency call: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent (if participant is under 18): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_