



Buffalo Grove Park District



Travelin' Teens 2008
Longfellow
Jonathan Silver

Dear Campers and Parents:

Amazing how time flies! Summer is once again upon us and it is time to gear up for Travelin' Teens camp. We have an excellent variety of trips planned for the summer. Our selections are based on feedback from campers who experienced and enjoyed these venues last summer.

My name is Jonathan Silver and this is my second summer as supervisor for Travelin' Teens. Last summer was a smashing success, and I am psyched for the opportunity to lead the way again. For those of you who do not know me, I am a psychology teacher at Oak Park and River Forest High School in Oak Park, Illinois. I coach basketball and coordinate school activities to promote various forms of awareness, in particular, mental health awareness and genocide awareness. I cannot wait to meet campers and parents in the coming days.

Our camp is located at Longfellow Elementary School, 501 S. Arlington Heights Road. My cell phone number is (847) 980-5175. The first session of camp begins on Monday, June 16th and ends on Friday, July 11th. We have camp everyday with the exception of Friday, July 4th. The best place to drop off campers is on the north side of the building, nearest the playground. Camp begins at 9:00 and lasts until 3:00. My staff will be outside to welcome campers a few minutes before 9:00 each morning.

Please make sure to send your campers with sunscreen, a swimsuit and a towel each day. Additionally, unless otherwise noted, campers should come with a sack lunch. There will be certain days on which lunch is included, but I will let you know ahead of time. Camp groups are given at Travelin' Teens for attendance purposes only. Campers are free to hang out with any of their friends throughout the day.

Parent orientation is Friday, June 13th at Longfellow from 1:00-2:00 pm. At this time, I will distribute a list of dates and field trips, a roster of my staff, and a detailed breakdown of our first week of camp. If you are unable to attend orientation, I will send this information home with your camper on the first day. I can tell you that our first day, Monday, June 16th, is a non-field trip day. Weather-permitting, I imagine we will plan to head to Willow Stream Pool in the morning for a swim. Campers will need to bring their own lunch on this day. Finally, one of our favorite activities last summer was walking to Oberweis in the afternoon for a treat. We might give that a try on the first day, so if you can send your campers with a few dollars for ice cream, that would be great.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me. I look forward to working with you this summer! All the best.

Jonathan Silver