



# **Camp Information Letter**

**June 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>, 2027**

**Dear families & campers,**

Thank you for registering for the 2027 Northwest College Yellowstone Summer Music Camp! This letter is to provide some general information about how to prepare for camp and what to expect upon arrival.

## **BEFORE ARRIVAL:**

- **PACK!** SEE “what to bring” checklists on page 3. Returning campers note the change from last year regarding **bringing your own linens** remains the same.
- **Commuter campers/parents:** please look closely at the General Weekly Schedule Overview attachment and have a plan to pick up/drop off your commuter students for meals and evening recitals and be on campus before daily classes start at 8 am.
- **Review expectations:** by attending camp, all students agree to respect camp rules, follow instructions given by counselors & instructors, and to treat their fellow campers with kindness. **REMEMBER: no alcohol, weapons, or drugs are permitted on the NWC campus!**

## **CHECK-IN:**

- **Check-in with a parent Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at the Nelson Performing Arts Building.**  
To lessen the bottle-neck for parents/campers waiting in line, the check-in times are staggered by the grade your student will enter this fall:

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| <b>2:00 pm</b> | <b>entering grades 9-12</b> in fall of 2027      |
| <b>2:45 pm</b> | <b>entering grade 8</b> in fall of 2027          |
| <b>3:30 pm</b> | <b>entering grades 6 &amp; 7</b> in fall of 2027 |

- **Bring money, your scholarship and pay the remaining tuition and lesson balance.**  
We will accept cash, card, or check. There is an additional fee for card processing.

**WE STRONGLY SUGGEST PAYING WITH A CHECK**

**AS THIS SIGNIFICANTLY SPEEDS UP YOUR CHECK-IN**

and no credit card processing fee will need to be calculated and added to your total!

- **Private Lesson Fees:** if you indicated interest for private lessons at \$25 per 30-minute lesson on the registration form, **please note these fees are included in all final balances due during check-in.** Due to instructor workloads, lessons are capped at 2 vocal lessons per camper, and 3 instrumental lessons.

- **Room Assignments:** Overnight students will have a dorm room key checked out to them, move into their residence hall rooms & meet their roommates right after paying final balances. There is a fee of \$100 for lost keys, so it is important overnight campers keep track of any keys assigned to them.

After paying final balance, overnight campers and parents go to a designated station to meet with a camp counselor in the NPA lobby and will be escorted over to their dorm rooms.

## Schedule Overview:

- **DAILY CAMP SCHEDULE:** Please see the General Camp Schedule attachment sent along with this info letter for the general daily and hourly camp schedule.
- **INDIVIDUAL CAMPER CLASS SCHEDULES:** Final individual camper schedules with specific classes will be given to each parent during check-in along with payment receipt. We also print your camper's schedule on the backside of their lanyard name badge, making it easy for them to reference. These name badge schedules will be distributed during check-in, along with a camp t-shirt, music folder and bag to keep their things together.

**As noted on the registration form, we do our best to put campers in their first class choice, but we reserve the right to move them and eliminate classes due to under or over-capacity, and this is the reason why we ask for first/second/third choice class rankings.**

- **MEALS:** overnight campers will have 3 meals in the NWC Student Center Sodexo cafeteria
  - **Breakfast and Dinner:** overnight campers eat breakfast at 7:30 am, dinner at 5:00 pm, commuters eat these meals at home, unless they have added on lunches.
  - **Lunch is at 12:00 pm for ALL campers.** Commuters can go home for lunch, bring a sack lunch, or add lunches for the week in the NWC Student Center cafeteria for \$45 (if you did not add lunches during registration online for your commuter, but would still like to, it can be done during check-in while paying final tuition balance)
- **Picnic dinner in Washington Park on Wednesday:** Commuter campers are welcome to attend the picnic dinner at Washington Park on Wednesday at 5:30 pm. Parents, please pick them up 7-8 pm from the park.
- **Temporarily leaving camp:** If your camper has another event to attend and needs to check out of camp temporarily, we ask that a parent pick up the camper and notify a camp counselor.
- **Completely withdrawing from camp:** Should your camper need to leave camp all together, please let a camp counselor, the camp director or the front office know your camper is withdrawing, so we don't call the police for a missing child! **Camp tuition and fees are non-refundable.**
- There will be evening activities for overnight campers, including a bonfire, a dance, movies and games!

- Parents are welcome to bring forgotten items to the main office - NPA 16, and we will deliver it to your kids. We are also happy to have a camp counselor bring your camper to the NPA lobby to meet you if needed. **Please do not interrupt classes or walk around looking for your camper before checking in with the front office.** The office phone number is 307-754-6425 and the entire music department email is music@nwc.edu.

## End of Camp:

- Photo Day is Friday, so wear your camp T-shirt!
- Campers have their final rehearsals, overnight students return keys and music binders, move out of their dorms and bring things over to designated NPA storage rooms when not in rehearsals. There will be activities between dorm room move-out and rehearsals.
- After lunch, camp ends with the **final concert performed by all campers at 2PM on June 18<sup>th</sup>.** All families and friends are welcome to attend the final concert!

## “WHAT TO BRING” CHECKLIST

### All Students

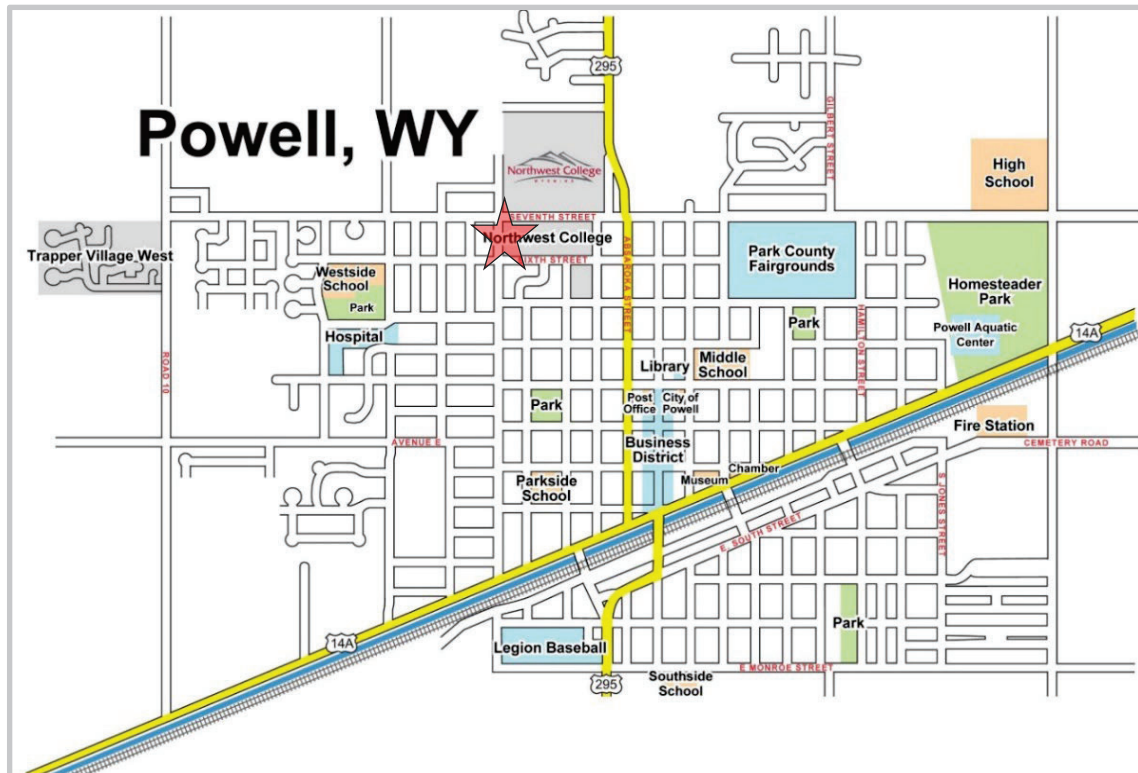
- ☐ Your scholarship paper (if you received one)
- ☐ Money – to pay balance of tuition and lesson fees during check-in
- ☐ Your instrument – **please label your case**
- ☐ Cell phone
- ☐ Any chargers you may need
- ☐ Reed players: need a good supply of reeds
- ☐ Trumpet and Trombone players: bring a mute if you have one
- ☐ Snacks (optional)
- ☐ Jacket
- ☐ Comfortable shoes
- ☐ Bug spray
- ☐ Medications
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Water bottle

**EVERYONE gets a YSMC t-shirt provided by NWC!**

**Camp photo day is FRIDAY so wear your t-shirt that day!**

### Additional for Overnight Campers

- ☐ Informal clothes (jeans, shorts, etc.)
- ☐ Warm pajamas
- ☐ Comb and/or brush
- ☐ Toothbrush & toothpaste
- ☐ Soap & shampoo
- ☐ Kleenex
- ☐ Deodorant
- ☐ Small fan for dorm room (optional)
- ☐ Towel for the shower
- ☐ **Bed Linens, Sleeping bag, Blankets, Pillows (college does NOT provide these)**



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**For check-in: enter lobby on Sixth Street**