**COUNTRY STORE MONEY:** The Country Store is a favorite stop for snacks and souvenirs. Campers will have time each day at the store. The store works on a debit system with money deposited at registration. Money not spent will be returned to the camper at the Country Store after closing worship. Please do not leave cash with campers as we cannot be responsible for money which is lost. You may deposit as much or as little money as you like. A recommended $40.00 deposit is enough to buy a t-shirt, cinch bag, hat, and/or other small items and snacks each day. If you want to purchase sweatshirts, jackets, blankets, or other higher priced merchandise, you may want to deposit a larger sum. The Country Store will be open during the registration time on Sunday and after the closing worship on Friday.

**MEDICATIONS:** State laws require that ALL medications, both prescription and over-the-counter, are to be locked in the nurse’s station at all times. ALL parents and campers must check in with the nurse during Sunday registration even if you don’t have any medications to drop off. Each camper must have a Health History Form and an OTC Form on file, or the camper may not stay at Pioneer. By law, Pioneer cannot return any medicines left behind at camp, so please remember to stop at the nurse’s station and collect your medicines.

**CELL PHONES:** Cell Phones are NOT PERMITTED for campers under the age of 18. We ask that phones be left at home, but if you bring a phone to camp, it must be turned in during registration. Campers found with cell phones will have them removed to the office and will be reported to the Director.

**CONTACTING CAMPERS:** Contact between parents and campers is encouraged. Letters, and care packages are exciting to receive, especially for younger and first time campers. Campers will receive mail at lunch each day. Please make sure that letters are encouraging and upbeat. Campers will have opportunity to write letters or postcards, however, they will not have access to email. Postcards and stamps are available in the Country Store. Pioneer is not responsible for returning mail that arrives after campers have departed, so, please be sure to time your mail accordingly.

You can send packages and letters to: Campers Name  
Pioneer Camp & Retreat Center  
9324 Lake Shore Rd  
Angola, NY 14006

Emails can be sent to: info@pioneercamp.org Campers name must appear in the subject line.

If a parent wants to check on or speak to a camper, parents must contact our office. The office is open Monday-Friday from 8am-4:30pm. Parents will be connected to the Program Director who will bring campers to the office for a phone call if necessary. Often phone calls from home
will help a parent feel better, but will leave a camper feeling more homesick. If a call is not necessary, we suggest writing a letter or email instead! If a camper requests to speak with a parent, the Program Director will then facilitate a call home. In order to keep campers from missing out on events, phone calls will be scheduled around activity sessions as much as possible.

In the event of an emergency, Pioneer will call a parents listed numbers first. If no one is reached, we will call your emergency contact number. 

*It is important that someone be within reach during a camper’s stay at camp.*

**EXPECTATION OF CAMPERS:**

- Listen and follow the guidelines of Pioneer and their program
- Treat others and their property with kindness and respect
- Participate in camp activities and events as much as possible
- Treat the camp and it’s staff with care and respect
- Tell staff if another camper or camp activity is making them uncomfortable
- Follow the instructions of the camp nurse
- Be willing to make new friends and try new things

**DRESS CODE:** As a Christian camp, we expect modesty from all of our staff. We have the same expectations of campers. A few guidelines are as follows:

- No clothing with wording or pictures which portray alcohol use, sexual innuendo, or violence
- No tube tops or belly shirts
- Girls must wear one piece swimming suits

Please also keep in mind that campers will be active and may get dirty. Make sure that clothing is appropriate for those circumstances.

**PACKING LIST:**

| □ 1 Sleeping Bag | □ Bible |
| □ 1 Pillow Case | □ Sunscreen |
| □ Shower Towels | □ Bug Spray |
| □ Washcloths | □ Tissues |
| □ Beach Towels | □ Flashlight w/batteries |
| □ Shower Items (shampoo, conditioner, soap, etc.) | □ Beach Party Clothes (Hawaiian shirts, etc) |
| □ Personal Care (toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant, etc) | □ White T-shirt for Tie Dye |
| □ Laundry Bag (Lg. Garbage Bag) | □ Optional Items: Cameras, guitars, books, journals, etc. |
| □ Appropriate Clothing: Pants/jeans, shorts, long and short sleeve shirts, bathing suits, sweatshirts, rain jacket/poncho, socks, underwear, pajamas, etc. |
| □ Shoes: sneakers (2 pair), water shoes, flip flops/sandals |

Please make sure to leave all cell phones, electronics, IPod, mp3 players, jewelry, pocket knives and other valuables at home!!!!! Pioneer is not responsible for lost, stolen, or misplaced items. Pioneer is not responsible for returning items left behind.