



*A Place For Kids To Spread Their Wings And Fly*

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Camp Phoenix is a group founded in 2001 by students of Weill Cornell Medicine (WCM) to provide a free, safe, nurturing and stimulating environment for children (ages 7-17) who have been treated in the burn unit of the New York-Presbyterian Hospital (NYPH) and their siblings. We are affiliated with the New York Firefighters Burn Center Foundation, the medical staff of NYPH Burn Center, and the Community Service Office of WCM. We would love for your children to join us on our annual overnight camping retreat on **June 1st-2nd, 2024**. All Camp Phoenix activities will be provided at **no financial cost to the camper**, and are designed to build self-confidence, emphasize teamwork, initiate friendships, and, most of all, to have fun! The camp is run entirely by non-paid volunteers who are donating their time and energy to show these kids the time of their lives.

Camp this year will be held from 9AM-3PM on June 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> in Central Park, New York, NY. (Location TBD)

We would love to have your child join us as a camper for this exciting weekend day camp! All of the camp counselors are medical student volunteers, who are focused on and care about the wellbeing of the children. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call **Sahira Torres** (Student Community Service Coordinator for Weill Cornell Medical College) from 9am to 5pm, weekdays at **(212) 746-3390** (please leave a message after hours).

Enclosed with this letter you will find all of the information about this year's event. Even if your child is a returning camper, please **read all of the information closely**, as there are some new policies in place this year. Thank you for taking time to read about and consider our program.

- **Dropping Off Your Camper: 9:00am on Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>.**  
We will have a check-in station for your children at 9:00am in Central Park both days of camp. We will let you know the exact location closer to camp.
- **Picking Up Your Camper: 3:00pm on Saturday June 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>.**  
We will return your children to the same location as drop-off. **You will be required to tell us who is authorized to pick up your children. Anyone authorized to pick up your child must show a photo ID before your child will be released to them.**
- **Registration Forms are Due by Wednesday, May 15, 2024.**  
**No late forms will be accepted.** If you need additional copies of forms, please call or email (info below). All forms must be completed for each child attending camp (siblings included).
  - RSVP Form which includes the Parent Permission and Camper Pickup Forms:** Please fill out this information sheet about your child, sign and date it, to allow your child to attend camp.
  - Behavior Agreement:** Please read this form carefully. You and your child need to sign this agreement.
  - Authorization for Medical Treatment for Minors Form:** Please fill out this form to allow other adults, including camp directors, to authorize medical treatment for your child if necessary. It must be notarized.

- Photo Consent Form:** Please sign the enclosed form.

Feel free to contact any one of us, at the following contacts, with questions and/or to register your child with Camp Phoenix.

- **Sahira Torres** (Camp Phoenix Member and Student Community Service Coordinator of Weill Cornell Medicine) from 9am to 5pm, weekdays at **(212) 746-3390** (please leave a message after hours) or via email at [slt2003@med.cornell.edu](mailto:slt2003@med.cornell.edu).

**PLEASE RETURN ALL FORMS by Wednesday, May 15, 2024 to ensure your camper's spot at camp this year.**

**Mail to:  
Sahira Torres  
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We are all very excited for camp this year and we hope to see you soon!

Sincerely,  
The Staff and Counselors of Camp Phoenix