

# NorthBay

What parents  
need to know!  
*and other stuff...*

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## Things to know...

### CABINS

Lodging is provided in one of 18 different cabins. Each cabin consists of 2 rooms, with 5 bunk beds each, for a total sleeping capacity of 10/room and 20/cabin. Inside the cabin, next to each room is a bathroom. Our cabins are heated and air conditioned, and separated by gender. **Males and females are NEVER allowed to be in or around a cabin of the opposite gender! Students are NEVER allowed in the cabin without adult supervision.** Each cabin will have at least one adult chaperone who will move throughout the week with that group from one activity to another.

**\*Bed linens are provided by NorthBay!**

**\*Towels and washcloths are NOT provided**

## Introducing NorthBay

### THE SCHOOL PROGRAM

*At NorthBay, the outdoors is the classroom and it is spectacular! An education center devoted to hands-on environmental science in the field, the program will serve 350+ (primarily middle school) students, teachers and adult chaperones each week of the school year. The 5 day/4 night experience will combine exposure to exceptional leadership, character, and discovery in a high adventure setting. Class offerings are extensive and integrate the **Maryland Voluntary State Curriculum.***

### OUTSTANDING LEARNING AND ADVENTURE OPPORTUNITIES...

✓ Enormous Waterfront	✓ Wet Lab on the Bay
✓ Kayaks and Canoes	✓ Weather Station
✓ Bird Platform	✓ Game Room
✓ Snack Bar	✓ Gymnasium
✓ Art Studio	✓ Zipline Tower
✓ 5+ miles of Hiking Trails	✓ High Ropes Course
✓ Camp Store	✓ Indoor and Outdoor Climbing Walls
✓ Sand Volleyball Courts	✓ Live feed aquariums

### MEALS

NorthBay takes time with meals and serves them family style to make them fun, full of surprises, relationship oriented, nutritious, and tasty. We can also accommodate special dietary requirements for your child assuming they are communicated in advance.

### ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL

The buildings, pathways, and activities at NorthBay are accessible to disabled persons. Students with special needs can participate in all activities, including our adventure courses. We encourage all students to attend and request to be informed of students with special needs.

Parents with additional questions can call NorthBay office Mon.-Thur. 8am-5pm, Fri 8am-3pm @ 443-967-0500 or visit [www.northbayadventure.org](http://www.northbayadventure.org)

NorthBay's snack bar will be open during activity time for student and adult use and serve foods such as ice cream, granola bars, sport drinks, soda, juice, pretzels, etc. "The NorthBay Trading Company" is open during students' activity time in the afternoon and evening. Items for sale include film, toiletries, various educational books and materials, along with t-shirts, sweatshirts, and other NorthBay items.

### **THOUGHTS ON POCKET MONEY...**

\$15 for snacks should be plenty for any student during the week. The NB Trading Company carries items which range in price from \$1.00-\$50. NorthBay recommends students bring no more than \$50 to camp, \$30 is average, and small bills are always helpful. For your convenience and security, non-refundable gift cards are available for campers to use at the snack bar and store. To utilize this option, please call our main office with a credit card number and the amount you wish to put on the card.

### **MEDICAL SERVICES**

NorthBay's Wellness Center contains a treatment area, isolation rooms, medication storage, and appropriate bathrooms. NorthBay's staff includes two RN's as well as several EMT's trained in CPR, first aid and medication administration. Twenty-four hour emergency medical care is also available at Union Hospital in Elkton, MD.

### **MEDICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOLS AND PARENTS**

- **The Health Information form is required for every child attending NorthBay.** If your child requires prescription medication during their stay, then the additional Medication form is required.
- Medications must be coordinated and approved by your school representative.

- All individual medications must **be in their original containers, labeled for the student by the pharmacy.**
- Medications and the appropriate forms are to be delivered to NorthBay by a school representative not the camper.

### **PARENT NOTE: SAFETY & STAFF**

**At NorthBay safety is paramount.** All of our class locations, adventure courses, and safety equipment are regularly certified and inspected. Our instructors are also qualified in their field, federally background checked & drug tested. We make the safety of your child our highest priority.

**Parents are discouraged from visiting their children at camp** for security reasons and because it can cause disruption and home-sickness for students. All visitors must announce themselves at the front gate, sign in/out at the office, show appropriate ID, and wear a NorthBay wristband while on the premises. We ask that if you need to pick up/drop off your child for an extenuating circumstance, it is between the hours of 8:30 am and 6:00 pm.

### **PHONE CALLS**

**A NorthBay phone is available** at certain times throughout the day for students. Parents can leave a message with administration to request that their child call home. Those messages will be delivered during meal times. Please understand that NorthBay can house up to 350 students per week and therefore students will not be able to call home everyday of their stay.

**NorthBay has a policy of zero tolerance for the use/possession of drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, or weapons.** Parents will be notified and children will be sent home, along with appropriate measures.

## **What to Bring to NorthBay...**

**Students and adults are responsible** for bringing personal items and clothing appropriate for the season and the setting.

We want your stay at NorthBay to be as pleasant and trouble free as possible. A suggested list follows...

### **Clothing**

2 pairs of tennis or hiking shoes (one old)

Shoes to wear in the water

Sweaters/Sweatshirt

Several changes of outer clothing

Changes of inner clothing

5-6 pairs of socks

Swimsuit (seasonal)

Pajamas

### **Personal Gear**

Towel(s) & Washcloth

Soap and Shampoo

Toothbrush & Toothpaste

Medications

Writing materials

Sunscreen

Insect Repellent

### **Optional Personal Gear**

Flashlight

Camera & film

Store/ money

Water bottle

Sunglasses

Backpack

Rain Gear and boots

### **Add for Winter Season:**

Winter Hat (ear muffs are not enough)

2 pr. mittens or gloves

Long underwear

Warm jacket

## **What NOT to Bring...**

**Cell Phones \*\*highly discouraged\*\***

Ipod/MP3/CD Players

PSP/Gameboys

Drugs, alcohol, cigarettes or weapons

Skateboards