



TAPAWINGO STAFF INFORMATION

ARRIVAL BY PLANE

As you make plans to arrive in our beautiful town of Speculator, the airport you will need to fly into is the Albany, New York Airport (2 hours away from Tapawingo by car). Shuttle service is available. You should plan for your flight to arrive between 9am and 1pm on **Sunday June 6th, 2021**. Staff registration begins at 3:00 PM on Sunday.

ARRIVAL BY TRAIN

If you are coming by train, please book at the Amtrak train station in Albany (2 hour drive from Tapawingo). Please see times above regarding arrival by plane (those times correspond to you as well).

SHUTTLE SERVICE

We provide a shuttle to and from the airport and to and from the Amtrak station for all staff members. There is a fee involved. To request shuttle service to and from CAMP, please fill out the [Transportation Request Form](#) found in your forms e-mail. Please fill out this form with your arrival and departure times as soon as you know them.

Making your Travel Arrangements:

PLANNING YOUR ARRIVAL TIME - VERY IMPORTANT!

Be sure your arrival will get you to our facility on time! Tapawingo Staff Training begins on **Sunday, June 6th**, with our check-in at 3:00 PM sharp! Don't forget it's a two hour drive from the airport/train station. (Bring any remaining signed forms, driver's license, social security card, passport, CPR and Lifeguard certifications, and all other needed paperwork to Demarest C – our staff will be ready to welcome you).

Check-in is followed by dinner in our Camp Dining Hall and our Welcome Program at 7:00 p.m. in Skylight (our staff accommodation). You are welcome to arrive earlier on Sunday, but you will be on your own for meals.

FAMILY MEMBERS

If a family member(s) is driving you to Tapawingo, they are welcome to stay at CAMP-of-the-WOODS for up to two nights at a low cost. Meals are an additional cost. If you will need lodging for family

members, please contact [518-548-4311 ext. 0](tel:518-548-4311) and specify that this is for Tapawingo Staff Drop-off. Include arrival/departure times and dates, as well as how many people will need accommodations. We will do our best to accommodate your request. Please note: We NEED this information at least a week prior to your arrival. We cannot accommodate people last minute as much planning goes into meals, housekeeping etc.

Our last day of camp is **Sunday, August 22nd at 1:00 PM**. It is possible we will be out earlier than that (Saturday night by midnight at the earliest) but we will not be done any later than Sunday at 1:00 PM.

Expectations for your preparation...

Physical Fitness...

As a reminder, you are expected to arrive in good physical condition, well-rested and healthy. The three weeks of staff training are intellectually, spiritually, relationally, and physically challenging! You can eliminate one area by being sure you are in shape upon arrival. Please consult with your physician before beginning a weekly workout routine. For those of you wanting a level of endurance to aim for (and to share with your physician) we expect our staff to arrive to staff training able to complete no less than 30 minutes of continuous aerobic activity (running at a 10 minute mile pace or better, active aerobics, swimming, etc.), at least three times a week. If your physician believes this would not be possible, or would not be beneficial to your health in any way, please let us know – this may not be the place for you.

WHAT TO BRING:

Please be sure to read the attachment “What to Bring (Staff)” which is in your forms e-mail.

EVANGELISM PREPARATION

Don't forget to keep working on those 5 memory verses for sharing the gospel! You will want have those memorized and know them well before you arrive. Please be sure your verses are in one of the following versions- NIV, NASB, NKJV, or ESV. If you have any questions about this, please let me know. We further recommend having memorized verses that deal with typical teen topics such as sexual purity, family relationships, dealing with unsaved friends, knowing God's will for the future, and overcoming fear.

PRAYER FOR TAPAWINGO!

As you seek to prepare for the coming summer please remember the importance of prayer! The best preparation we can do will take place on our knees! Thank you in advance for any prayer time you spend on behalf of Tapawingo, the campers, and your fellow staff members.

TAPAWINGO WEBSITE

Are you interested in knowing more about our camp? Please visit our website at <https://www.tapawingony.org/> and learn even more about the ministry of Tapawingo.

Once again, we praise God for bringing you to us! You are an answer to prayer! If you have any further questions that are not answered in this e-mail, don't hesitate to contact me at (518) 774-6713 or e-mail me (Joy Huseland: Tapawingo Director) at joyh@cotw.org

FOLLOW US ON INSTAGRAM!

Follow us on Instagram: [tapawingo_ny](https://www.instagram.com/tapawingo_ny) to receive Tapawingo updates.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NEXT:

Please be sure to read and complete all of the attached paperwork. Keep me posted if you have questions in the process.

May the Lord bless you abundantly as we prepare for our summer of ministry together! **He is so worthy!** We are very excited to seek Him and point to Him with you this summer!

In Christ,

Miss Joy

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Acts 20:24 "But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God."