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## North Star Camp - Travel and Baggage

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**For those of you outside of the Chicago area and Wisconsin, we are sending one email to highlight some key travel details. We are condensing this into a single email, so please familiarize yourself with:**

- Some basic travel info for those flying to camp
- Baggage options, including utilizing Shipcamps
- Hotel room block for anyone opting to have their camper travel through Chicago

### **Flying to Camp**

We have two pages on the North Star website that will detail travel to and from camp.

- The [Travel to Camp page](#) explains the different options for getting your camper to camp.
- The [Air Travel Page](#) goes into more detail about the flying, unaccompanied minor programs and our partnership with Travel One. It also lists flights we ask families to book, by city.

Please help us out by familiarizing yourself with North Star's travel procedures. This will help ensure as smooth of a travel day as possible for our group.

### **Camper Baggage/Shipcamps**

The [baggage page](#) on our website details the options for getting your camper's bags between your home and camp.

Many of our families outside of Chicago, Milwaukee and Minneapolis opt to ship their camper's bags to camp. Shipping bags to camp can save you money, avoid lots of hassles, and it allows our staff to focus their energy on your camper at the airport.

**We highly recommend campers flying to camp utilize our partnership with the company Shipcamps to ship camper baggage to and from camp.** While there is a cost associated with the service, airlines are increasing their baggage fees each year, particularly for large duffle bags. Some families are paying a few hundred dollars per bag to check camp bags on their camper's flight.

If you prefer to deal directly with FedEx or UPS to ship bags to camp, you can go that route, however we believe that Shipcamps will provide the best rate due to their bulk discount. Shipcamps will be the only option for those who choose to have bags shipped home at the end of your camper's session.

If you are going to utilize Shipcamps, please use this link: [North Star Camp for Boys - Ship Camps](#). The

[baggage page](#) on the NSC website gives additional details that you need to set up shipment, including shipment dates, North Star's address and other relevant info.

### **Chicago Area Hotel Block**

Some families outside of the Chicago area opt to have their camper take the bus from Chicago to camp. These buses depart at 8:15am from the Renaissance Chicago North Shore Hotel. For the families who need to stay overnight in Chicago the night before departure day, we have partnered with the hotel to arrange a group room block rate of \$129/night plus taxes. You can book a room at the links here:

- First Session - Sunday June 15 to Monday June 16 - [Book A Room Here](#) (must book by 5/18)
- Second Session - Saturday July 12 to Sunday July 13 - [Book A Room Here](#) (must book by 6/14)

\*There is an issue with the links on Google Chrome, so please use another browser to make a reservation.

Additional information about travel on the first day of camp will be sent closer to the beginning of each session. If you have any questions at all or need help with any of this, please contact me at any time.

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