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Dear Parents/Guardians and Phoebe Needles Campers,

This letter is to provide you with information on our **Rock Climbing Camp**:

Itinerary:

Sunday, Monday, and Friday nights are spent camping out at the Phoebe Needles Center.

Tuesday - transported to Pilot Mountain State Park & Hanging Rock State Park (NC) for climbing, hiking, & camping.

Friday - return to the Phoebe Needles Center. **Parents pick up campers on Saturday promptly at 11:00 a.m.**

The trails at Pilot Mountain and Hanging Rock State Parks are moderately strenuous. The rock climbing sites are appropriate for beginners or those with intermediate experience.

Activities: Camping, outdoor cooking, rock climbing, rappelling, hiking, and traveling on a bus.

Clothing: Bring sturdy shoes with laces and warm clothing. Older clothing and shoes are preferred.

Risks/Hazards/Dangers: Use of propane or butane stoves, weather, animals, exposure to steep cliffs, the use of specialized equipment (rock climbing and rappelling equipment, etc.).

Precautions:

The staff has experience and has been trained in the use of all specialized equipment, and activities. The staff hold current certifications in Red Cross Wilderness First Aid/CPR/AED. The staff are trained to handle emergency situations while out of camp or on the trail. The Phoebe Needles Center has a written Emergency Action Plan for this camp program.

Situations in Which You Can Expect Us to Call You

It is important to remember that all decisions to contact parents or guardians are made by the Executive Director. The Executive Director (or other staff member specifically designated) will notify parents or guardians by phone of an illness or injury to their camper in the following situations:

- Camper contracts a contagious disease.
- Camper is home sick and requests to go home or talk with parents.
- Camper requires treatment from the local Emergency Medical Service.
- Camper is taken to the emergency room, or hospitalized.
- Lost camper

If you have any questions about Summer Camp @ Phoebe Needles, please do not hesitate to give us a call at (540) 483-1518 or e-mail us at PNCenter@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

John H. Heck
Executive Director