

Summer Camp

Welcome Packet

NORTHWOOD UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

**Summer Camp
2015**

**Northwood
University!
July 30th-
August 2nd**

Payment and Rooming at Camp

Thank you for your reservation to overnight camp with Mid American Pompon at Northwood University. A similar email will be sent to you to distribute to your team to keep members and parents well informed.

Find It Online! All camp information is available online at www.pompon.com. Emergency forms, All Star Applications, Formations and more can be found online.

Payment Reminders:

Final payment must be received three weeks prior to your camp date. **NO PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED AT CAMP!!**

Please send the final payment in the form of one school check, cashier's check, money order or credit card. No school purchase orders will be accepted for camps or competitions. **Please note: Dorm keys will not be issued until all camp payments and late fees are paid in full.**

Health insurance is NOT provided for campers by Mid American Pompon, or Northwood University. Each camper must have a signed PEN (Parent Emergency Notice) on file upon arrival at camp. The PEN form is available on the homepage of

pompon.com. Forms can be turned in at the registration table, or at Mid American Studio at least 2 weeks prior to your camp session. **Campers will not be allowed to participate without this form on file.**

Rooming:

There are 6 campers per suite; each suite consists of two bedrooms with three beds connected by a shared bathroom. Coaches may need to share a suite with another coach or team members. **Linens are not provided, you must bring your own!** A room list is available online, and must be submitted with your camp payment. Campers and coaches are required to stay in the room that they are assigned to on their roster for emergency purposes. Please do not switch rooms. If there are any issues with your room, please let us know immediately.

Athletic Trainer

Northwood is providing us with one trainer, who will be on duty from 9 a.m. – 10 p.m. The Mid American Staff will have contact with them at instruction fields or by walkie-talkie. Ice will be available for water bottles in the cafeteria and water jugs will be on site in the Hach and Bennett Centers.

COACH INFORMATION

When you arrive on the first day, the warm-up and pom basics will be instructed in the Hach Center. Please fill out the 'Team of the Day / Pom Basics' form that is available on our website prior to arriving at Northwood. This form can be turned in at the check in table on the first day of camp. Our coaches meetings will take place each day during lunch. One coach from every team is required to attend the Day One coach meeting. We encourage all coaches/advisors to stay at camp with their campers to learn and to develop a strong working relationship with their team. Remember, one coach, advisor or parent 21 years or older is required to be with the each team at ALL times during camp. Coaches are expected to take an active role in the supervision and safety of their team members. **Coaches are required to sign the Coaches Code of Ethics upon arrival at camp.** Coaches who are not actively taking responsibility for their team will be asked to leave camp with their team members without refund.

Coaches Checklist for 2015

- ☒ All payments from campers
- ☒ Camp clothing picked out and ordered
- ☒ Transportation to and from Northwood established
- ☒ Parent volunteers for first aid kit, snacks, signs, etc.
- ☒ Questions??? Bring them! We'd be happy to answer them for you in the coaches seminar!
- ☒ PEN's for every camper
- ☒ Prepare packing list for team members
- ☒ Shoes, poms, and team apparel ordered with PLENTY of time to spare ☺

ARRIVAL

Upon arrival, you will report to the main entrance of the Miner Residence Hall. You will get your room keys and turn in your Team of the Day and Pom Basics forms.

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**Don't Forget
About the
Sales Table!**

Items priced from \$5-\$40 will be available each night at Summer Camp and on Final Day!



Cash



Families and friends are welcome to attend the final day and nightly evaluations. Routines will be **3 1/2 minutes maximum**, including entrance and exit. Final day evaluation begins at 9:30 a.m. for all camps. The final performances will be held at the Hach Center. It is estimated that the final day's evaluation and awards will be finished by noon. Nightly evaluation will be held at 7:15 p.m. each night.

Arrival and Check in at Northwood University

Northwood University will be allowing teams to stay the night before camp if they wish to. The cost is \$43 per person for the overnight stay and includes breakfast. Check-in with the Northwood University and Mid American staff will be from **6:00—7:30 p.m.** in front of the Miner Residence Hall. This is the only time that the staff will be available for check in. Please do not plan on arriving earlier or later, as your keys will not be available. Coaches, **not the MAPP staff**, are responsible for all supervision for early arrival campers.

Registration for teams arriving on the first morning of camp will be held from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. in front of the Miner Residence Hall. If you arrived the night before, you do not have to check in again; you will get your camp materials at the 10:45 Coaches Welcome Meeting.

Upon arrival at camp, the coach should report to the check in table. Please do not have your team members unload their belongings until you (the coach) have checked in. Depending on where your rooms are located, there may be other parking areas that will take you closer to your rooms. Please pick up a copy of your rooming list which will have room numbers on it from our staff. Then have your team members line up according to what room they are in and make their way to the Northwood dorm key distribution table. Northwood staff members hand out all of the dorm keys to each individual. Lining up with their roommates will make this process run extremely fast! After they have received their keys, they can start to move into their rooms. They should also take one copy of the daily camp schedule for each suite.

Campers and coaches are required to check out of their rooms prior to the final day events (events begin at 9:30 am). Please make sure that your parents are aware of this. A charge of \$35.00 will be assessed for any lost keys. This is due upon checkout on the final day prior to your team's performance.

The dorm rooms are expected to look the same upon checkout as they did at check in. Furniture must be in the correct position, and all garbage must be in garbage bags/cans. If rooms are unsatisfactory, teams will be called back to the dorms to clean their area prior to their performance. Door decorating IS allowed at Northwood; however, decorations must only be on the doors (not on the walls), and blue painter's tape must be used. Under NO circumstances should pins be used on walls or doors! **NO STICKERS!**

All Star Team Applicants

THIS YEAR.....

****The All Star Team will be participating in the Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade in Hawaii!**

We ask that if there are campers applying for the All Star Team that have questionable attitudes and would not be a good representative of the All Star Team, that the coach please contact Julie Hobbs-Julian directly regarding them. You may call, write, or E-mail (Julie@pompon.com), prior to your camp session.

All Star applications are to be turned in at camp with the \$10 application fee. Please do not mail these to our office.

RULES FOR CAMPERS

- **In order to provide the best experience for everyone involved, we ask that our coaches are extremely attentive to the rules. These rules are for the safety of our participants. Participants who do not follow these rules will be immediately sent home WITHOUT REFUND.**
- * Campers driving to camp will NOT be allowed to drive or leave campus during their stay at camp. Campers are not allowed to ride in cars at any time at camp.
- * Visitation by boyfriends is NOT allowed with the exception of the final day of camp.
- * No use of drugs or alcohol by campers or coaches. This will be enforced by Northwood Security as well as local authorities.
- * Campers are to abide by the stated quiet times each night
- * There is zero tolerance for theft or destruction. This includes but is not limited to other campers belongings, door decorations, or Northwood University property. Campers will be immediately sent home, and are responsible for any loss or damages.

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Description of Special Events and Activities

For those who are new to camp, here is a brief description of some of the activities that your team has the option of taking part in.

THEME DAYS

Day 1 - School Spirit Day

Day 2 - Pirate Day

Day 3 - Fairy Tale Day

Teams are welcome to coordinate their outfits or accessories to match the theme of the day, but this is not required. Our staff will add to the fun with themed decorations and music throughout the day

TEAM OF THE DAY

Each team will be announced with a brief description of their team on one of the three days at camp. This is one way that we share ideas about team unity, and allow the teams at camp to learn more about each other. Coaches should fill out the Team of The Day form prior to camp. Also, teams have the option of performing a 'just for fun' team of the day performance on one of the nights at camp. These can be skits, dance routines, etc. Maximum routine length is 3 minutes. Get creative, and have fun with your team of the day performance!

SENIOR KICKLINE

Calling all Seniors! An annual right of passage for our graduating seniors is the ability to compete in the Senior Kickline Competition. Senior Kickline requirements are available online at www.pompon.com. If your team chooses to compete, ALL seniors attending camp MUST compete in the routine. Many teams select themes for this routine, but this is not required.

Mid American Pompon Sportsmanship Standards

***MAPP encourages all teams to
promote school spirit through posters,
banners, cheers, noisemakers, etc.***

***School spirit should not
discourage other teams or
promote rivalry between teams.***

During announcement of awards, team members and spectators are expected to support all teams, congratulate team members, and watch others performances. Teams may also want to send notes of encouragement before competition and notes of congratulations after a competition concludes. Please be courteous to all teams. Audience members are expected to remain seated during all performances. Please do not engage in behavior that might distract team members or other members of the audience from the performance.

- Final day comments will be recorded and emailed to each coach following their camp session. Comments during nightly evaluations will be written on the judging sheet that is given to each team.
- A representative from the team will be asked to bring a mp3 player with the team's music on it ready to play. The mp3 player will be plugged into our sound system but the coach or representative will be responsible for choosing the track and pressing start/play and stopping the music for their team. Coaches are also required to bring a back-up CD with their music on it when it is their teams turn to perform.
- Formations for all pom routines will be available June 5th and will be posted online. **At that time, we will give you any updates!**
- **Please review the 2015 Refund Policy and be sure all parents are aware of our policy**
- **NO latex balloons are allowed in the Student Center for final day performances.**

**Attached to this email or found online:
PDF versions of**

- Original routine and senior kickline requirements and awards information (online)
- One sample daily schedule (subject to change) (online)
- Camper Info Sheet (to be distributed to team members)