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Dear Parents and Guests,

Bedbugs are a nuisance and we work very hard at providing the best programming and camping facilities in the area. We do not want bedbugs to detract from the wonderful experience. From our discussions with licensed professionals and others who are dealing with bedbugs, we believe heat is the best way to ensure bedbug elimination.

WE DO THE FOLLOWING TO ENSURE A CLEAN FACILITY

- Prior to your arrival, the cabins are cleaned and inspected.
- Upon arrival at camp, luggage is heated and delivered to your cabins. (This is why it is important to pack in drawstring or laundry bags made out of mesh or cloth). These can be purchased at a local dollar store or Wal-mart, etc)

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Please pack cloths, towels, sleeping bags, and linens into **laundry or drawstring bags** because these items can be heated easily. Pillowcases work well too.
- Rubbermaid tubs may **NOT** be used in the heating process. Suitcases may be damaged through the heating process.
- Personal items such as toiletries, makeup & shoes should be packed separately. A tote or tub may be used to store clothing after your clothing and bedding have been heated.
- Other items that should not be heated include Under Armour cold gear, foam sleeping mats, and shoes. Use your best judgment....If you are not sure whether it will melt, probably should not bring it to camp or give us a call!

We know these are not cure-all steps but we want to be as proactive as possible when dealing with this.

If you have any questions, please contact our Office at 1(800)423-0427.

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