INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Mailing address for Bug Camp:
UMD Bug Camp
4112 Plant Sciences
Department of Entomology
University of Maryland
College Park, MD 20742

For questions or any non-emergency communications: UMDBGCamp@gmail.com

In case of emergencies, please call: 240-696-1271; You will reach either Grace Anderson (Assistant Director) or Kiley Gilbert (Camp Coordinator).

Drop Off and Pick Up:
- Campers should be dropped off and picked up at the driveway behind the Plant Sciences Building off of Regents Drive. Look for Bug Camp signs near the entrance of the driveway.
- **Drop off is from 8:00am to 8:30am.** Parents/guardians will be required to sign-in their campers every morning.
- **Pick up will take place at 4:00pm.** Parents/guardians will be required to sign-out their camper every afternoon.
- **Please do not leave cars unattended.** Unfortunately, the garage closest to camp is closed for the summer. The area we are using for drop off and pick up requires cars be attended at all times. **Counselors will meet you at your cars to assist with signing in and out campers.** If you need more time, you can pay to park at Union Lane Garage or Paint Branch Visitors Lot. We apologize for this inconvenience!

Aftercare: We will have aftercare until 5:30pm at the cost of $15/day. If you would like aftercare you must fill out the Request for Aftercare Form and send the form along with a check for your total cost of aftercare back to us by June 30th.

Food: Campers should bring a **packed lunch** labeled with their name every day. Lunches will be kept in a refrigerator. If we become aware of serious food allergies, there may be restrictions as to what foods campers can bring. These will be emailed out prior to the start of camp. **Snack will be provided everyday.** Campers should also bring **water bottles** labeled with their names.

Sunscreen: The **Sunscreen Authorization Form** allows camp staff to help campers apply sunscreen if necessary. Bug Camp will provide sunscreen, which campers will apply themselves unless they are unable to do so. **If a parent prefers their camper use a different sunscreen, they can send it with the camper on the first day of camp with the camper's name clearly labeled on the bottle.**
IMPORTANT PICK-UP/DROP-OFF INFORMATION!

This summer, the garage closest to the camp, Regents Drive Garage, is closed. This means that pick-up and drop-off must take place in the driveway behind the Plant Sciences Building (see map on Information for Parents). Please look for Bug Camp signs at the entrance of the driveway. In this area cars MUST be attended at all times. This means that pick-up and drop-off must take place quickly and efficiently. Counselors will meet you at your car as you pull in to sign in and sign out campers. Given these new restrictions, please keep the following in mind:

- Campers should be completely prepared to exit your car as you pull into the driveway. Please make sure campers have their lunches and any other belongings ready before you pull up. Unfortunately, there will not be time for long goodbyes.

- If you need to complete paperwork or need extra time at sign-in please consider parking in the following visitor lots on campus: Union Lane Garage or Paint Branch Visitors Lot. These are pay-by-the-hour lots, but have a 15-minutes-free option. Additionally, the Parkmobile App makes paying for parking on campus very simple.

- A counselor will meet you at your car so that you can sign-in/sign-out your camper without leaving your car unattended.

- During pick-up, campers will be brought out to the driveway as parents arrive.

- Cars left unattended may be ticketed. We have asked the Department of Transportation on campus for leniency, but haven’t received any guarantees. Please do NOT pay any tickets received during pick-up or drop-off. If you receive a ticket, please let a counselor know as soon as possible and we will petition the Department of Transportation to have the ticket cleared.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation! We truly appreciate your working with us as we navigate these parking restrictions. We will endeavor to make pick-up and drop-off as seamless as possible this summer.