

Dear Camp Warren Community Member,

## **Greetings from Half Moon Lake!**

The boats are ready, the docks are in, the garden is blooming, and our counselors have packed their suitcases...Summer 2024 is officially here!

While Camp Warren's spring awakening is a sight to behold, our summer campers will soon experience an even more incredible transformation. Hundreds of hardworking students will leave their desks and classrooms behind and turn to the wilderness for self-directed discovery. They'll enthusiastically escape the digital world and ditch their phones, turning instead to a tight-knit community for connection, mentorship, life lessons, and endless fun.

I want you to know that you, as one of our valued partners, are very much an integral part of this team. It takes a village— all of our alumni, families, friends, staff, volunteers, and donors—to make this possible. Each individual plays a vital role in helping us uphold a legacy of opportunity for our youth. Thank you for being a part of the Warren family!

Before the bustle of summer begins, I wanted to share some updates and highlights with you.

- This will be Camp Warren's 97<sup>th</sup> summer, and volunteers are already planning our **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** celebration in 2027! More opportunities to get involved will be shared at a later date. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay in the loop!
- We are excited to launch a **new eight-day hiking experience** this summer for youth who have completed a Short Border trip! Campers will get the opportunity to advance their leadership and camping skills in a different environment.
- Registration for our other wilderness programs has remained high, which has led us to a robust trip schedule that our guides are already thrilled to lead. Due to our campers' amazing skills and passion for sailing, we will be offering more Lake Superior sailing trips than we normally do!
- Our **adult winter camp** was a huge success! The 4-day program included guided painting sessions, games by the fire, boot hockey competitions, trivia team rivalries, curling in town, and so much more! We're already planning more adult winter opportunities for next year.
- Ensuring that Warren continues to welcome ALL remains a key priority, and in recent years, we have seen an increased need for **scholarship support**. We see the far-reaching impact of these dollars, and we expand our assistance annually through ongoing donor and grant support.



Again, I want to extend my deepest gratitude for your partnership and generosity that has helped us already accomplish so much. With your help, we're positioned for a successful summer ahead!

## THANK YOU for being an integral part of our Warren community and CHEERS to summer 2024!

With gratitude and excitement,

Jeanna Nesbitt Executive Director