

2023 Parent/Guardian Handbook



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Section I: Preparing for Camp

Key Dates

2023 Camp Season

Camp Opens: June 24, 11:30 AM

Camp Closes: August 13, 1:00 PM

Visiting Weekend

Saturday, July 15, 3:00 PM to Sunday, July 16, 3:25 PM

Water Sports Weekend

Saturday, August 12, 2:00 PM to Sunday, August 13, 1:00 PM

Forms

All forms are to be filled out online (unless specified otherwise) through CampBrain (<https://pasquaney.campbrainregistration.com/>) and are due by **June 1**. During the season we will contact you if your son requires any medical treatment beyond routine visits to our infirmary.

The completed Physician Physical Form requires a physical exam and must be signed by a physician. A physical exam is valid if it has been done within one year of camp starting. Immunization dates must be included and signed off by your physician. We recommend getting a printout from the doctor's office and uploading it to CampBrain. It is also essential that we have information about any special dietary needs. We are nut-free in our meals and snack bar (Mary Lamb). All medications, including over-the-counter pain relief and vitamins are kept in the Infirmary. Signed instructions must accompany medications of any kind, including over-the-counter medications.

Travel

We strongly encourage families to travel by car, if possible. However, we do provide transportation to and from the airport if travel falls within specified windows.

Car Arrivals: Boys driving to Camp should arrive on Saturday, June 24 between 11:30 AM and 1:15 PM for unpacking and opening ceremonies. A lunch for campers and their parents will be available between 11:30 AM and 1 PM. Please plan to leave by 1:45 PM so that the rest of the day can continue on schedule.

Airport Arrivals: We have two scheduled pick-up times on Saturday, June 24:

1. Manchester, NH Airport (MHT): Arrival must be between 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM
2. Boston Logan Airport (BOS): Arrival must be between 10 AM and 12 PM

Airport Departures: Camp Pasquaney will provide transportation to both Manchester Airport and Boston Logan Airport after the final chapel on closing day. The airport vans will not be able to leave Pasquaney until close to 1 PM and with Sunday afternoon summer traffic it can easily take up to three hours to travel to Boston and two hours to travel to Manchester.

1. Manchester, NH Airport (MHT): Please book a flight between 5 PM and 7 PM.
2. Boston Logan Airport (BOS): Please book a flight between 6 PM and 8 PM.

If you are only able to book an earlier departure flight, it will be your responsibility to arrange and pay for transportation to the airport.

West Coast and International Campers: If your son is not able to book a plane that arrives at Manchester by 12:30 PM or Logan Airport by 12 PM on Saturday, June 24, you may send him on a plane that arrives at Logan Airport in Boston on Friday, June 23 in the

afternoon or early evening. If possible, we would prefer the campers arrive at Logan Airport after 3 PM on Friday, June 23. They will be met by counsellors and taken to Camp Pasquaney for the evening.

Please email all travel arrangements by May 15 to Aimee Wadeson, including: arrival/departure date, airport, airline, flight number, flight origin/destination, and camper mobile number if he is traveling with a phone. Please also consider sending your son with a form of identification (even a school ID) in case an airline asks to see it. It can be stored with camper valuables over the summer.

16-Year-Old Campers

Sixteen-year-old campers return earlier than other campers to prepare for their role as leaders and tone-setters this summer. We are eager for the leadership that this fine group of young men will provide. One of the most powerful forces for growth among the younger boys is the modeling and friendship of the older boys. On Opening Day, the sixteen-year-olds will join the council in welcoming both the new boys and the veterans.

Arrival: For 16-year-olds arriving to camp by car, they should arrive at Pasquaney between 3 PM and 6 PM on Thursday, June 22. For those who are flying to New Hampshire, we ask that the boys arrive at Manchester Airport between 2 PM and 5 PM on Thursday, June 22. If you can schedule an arrival closer to 5 PM, that will work best. Counsellors will meet the boys at the airport and transport them to Pasquaney. If your son is flying into Boston's Logan Airport, please have him arrive between 1 PM and 4 PM, where counsellors will meet him and transport him to Pasquaney.

Packing List, Uniforms, Preparing for Camp

Please read the Packing List carefully. Below is additional uniform information and tips. As you look through the list, remember that the number of each item is carefully thought out. Given that the boys are responsible for all their personal items, we strongly recommend you do not over pack. Many items on the packing list are available through Maine Camp Outfitters: www.maine-camp.com. Click on “Camp Store Login” and enter Pasquaney as the password. Please place orders promptly so that you are not caught in the last-minute rush before camp.

Uniform: Please make every effort to send your son to camp with all the required uniform items on the packing list. Campers must have a plain navy blue fleece jacket or pullover with or without the Pasquaney logo. You are also welcome to purchase the standard uniform shirt (white with navy trim on the neck and sleeves) without the logo. Sometimes Old Navy or other suppliers carry them for a lower price. Both sweatshirts and pajamas are optional. Sweatpants will be needed for baseball to prevent scrapes when sliding into base. Those sweats need to be plain gray or navy blue, unless they have the Pasquaney seal. Any polypropylene long-sleeved blue, grey, black, or white shirts and polypro long johns and a wool or nylon cap of the same colors must be free of logos.

Pasquaney will lend full uniforms at no cost to boys receiving financial aid.

There are three basic uniforms needed at camp:

1. Traditional Uniform: grey shorts with blue stripe, white shirt with navy trim, belt. This is required at all meals and in the Watson Theater.
2. Activity Uniform: grey shirt with Pasquaney across the front, blue activity short (sometimes call Dolphins or Big Dogs). This is used during active camp activities and hikes.
3. Sunday Uniform: grey shorts with blue stripe, white button-down shirt with tie or bowtie, belt, navy knee-high socks (long blues).

Baggage: Your son will need two pieces of luggage. All campers must have a good-sized suitcase to use at their bunks to store clothes. The suitcases take a beating during the summer. A yard-sale special will do. There is no room for a trunk at the camper's bunk, but they are excellent for shipping gear to camp and for storage of extra gear in our trunk room during the summer. Duffel bags also can serve this purpose. Most campers will need a camping backpack for their expeditions. Pasquaney has packs to lend if they are needed.

Equipment: It is important that you and your son double check to be sure that he comes with complete camp uniforms (or has a plan to rent or borrow them from the camp supply) as well as the other items on the Packing List. Some of these items are available in the camp store, but it is easier and more efficient for your son to take them to camp with him. Please use the Packing List and be sure that all items are marked with the camper's name.

Please leave Crazy Creeks (a type of camping chair) at home, as they crowd space at bunks and in common areas.

Rental of Shorts: Because past campers have given Pasquaney their out-grown uniform clothes, we will be renting shorts to boys in the smaller sizes to help cut costs for parents. Up to four pairs may be rented for \$5/short. Please fill out the Shorts Rental section in CampBrain to use this service.

Extra Bathing Suit or Exercise Shorts: For campers who would like some privacy during morning showers, we encourage them to pack one extra bathing suit to wear when showering.

Trunk Shipping: If it works best for your family to ship a trunk or large duffel to camp, you are welcome to do so. We recommend shipping via UPS by June 1 to ensure arrival before Opening Day. At the end of the summer, we will coordinate with a local UPS store to arrange for bags to be shipped home. A form will be sent to parents separately that is required for the end-of-camp shipping, and fees will be charged directly by the UPS store.

Get-Ready-for-Camp Checklist

April/May

- **First-Year Campers:** We like to be able to know first-year campers by name when they arrive to help them feel more welcome. The spring edition of *The White Pine* newsletter contains photographs (headshots) of all new campers to enable the council to recognize them on Opening Day. Please **email a photo by May 1** to awadeson@pasquaney.org.
- **Uniforms:** Order uniforms from Maine Camp Outfitters (<https://www.maine-camp.com/>; password: Pasquaney)
- **Travel:** Make plans for travel to Pasquaney on Opening Day and email those plans by **May 15** to awadeson@pasquaney.org.
- **Water Sports Weekend Reservations:** Make lodging reservations for August 12-13.
- **Tuition:** Tuition bills are sent in early 2023. Payment is due by May 1, 2023.

May

- **May 1** | Tuition payment due. Please send a check payable to Camp Pasquaney to the winter office: 10315 Kensington Pkwy, Ste. 207, Kensington, MD 20895.
- **May 15** | Send all flight info to awadeson@pasquaney.org.

June

- **June 1** | Health Forms: Please complete all required information and submissions on CampDoc prior to June 1, 2023.
- **June 1** | Trunk: Last day to send trunk via UPS to ensure arrival by opening day.
- **June 24** | Opening day!

Section II: The Season

Communication Throughout the Summer

Letters from Campers: Campers and parents communicate by letter via USPS. Every Sunday each boy must write a letter home prior to dinner. To mail a letter to your camper, please send it to:

Camper Name
Camp Pasquaney
19 Pasquaney Ln
Hebron, NH 03241

The boys are always excited to receive mail. Prior to camp, please review with your camper the proper way to address letters to help ensure they make their way to you. If you do not receive any letters from your son, please contact the office (office@pasquaney.org) so we can follow up with your camper. We have had trouble with USPS in recent years and we are happy to support families in the communication process.

Communication from Director: Mr. Michael will email a general update about the summer mid-way through and will also reach out individually to all new families within the first two weeks of camp.

Advisee Letters: Every camper has a counsellor who acts as his advisor during the summer. You will receive a letter from your son's advisor around the 4th-5th week of camp. These letters will be emailed to parents. The end-of-summer letters are sent after the summer ends, usually in October.

Daily Logs: One of the camper duties is to write in the Daily Log. These logs are posted to the Pasquaney website once a week. (pasquaney.org/daily-log/)

Photo Postings: Photos from the summer are also posted once a week and can be accessed via the Pasquaney website. The password to access the photos is "bubbles". (pasquaney.org/weekly-photos/)

Chapel Talks and Tree Talks: Audio from some of the Chapel Talks and Tree Talks are posted on the website throughout the summer so you can get a taste of what your boys are hearing and discussing. (pasquaney.org/tree-talks/; pasquaney.org/chapel-talks-all/)

The White Pine Directory

In June you will be receiving the spring edition of *The White Pine* with new camper photographs. This newsletter enables the council and older boys to recognize the new campers on Opening Day and makes the new campers feel more welcome upon arrival. An important note to new parents: Please be sure to send a photo of your son to Aimee Wadeson by May 1.

Important Camp Policies

Technology: Electronic games, personal computers, e-readers, fireworks, cell phones, and other items of this nature are not a part of our simple life and should be left at home. The only mechanical devices that are recommended are a durable, inexpensive watch, a flashlight, and a camera that can be used only for pictures. We have a charging station for cameras available for camper use at Headquarters.

Packages: We respectfully request that campers do not receive any packages. If there is an item that a boy feels he really needs, he can communicate that with Aimee Wadeson in the office. She will check with parents for approval prior to any non-traditional camp store items. In particular, please do not send food or candy of any kind. As part of our trust of the boys, we do not inspect packages arriving in camp. Your support of this trust will help strengthen the lesson. Please pass this request on to others who might be tempted to send food or packages. Thank you for your cooperation in this important area.

Birthdays: If your son has a summer birthday, he will be well celebrated at Pasquaney! The birthday celebration at camp includes

cake or cookies (birthday boy's choice), ice cream, and lemonade on the porch of Eastbourne (the Director's house) with a group of friends and a counsellor. Campers may have a short call home on their birthday, which the office will help coordinate. Please help us keep life simple and refrain from sending any birthday presents or packages. These will undoubtedly be enjoyed when he returns home.

Other Notes

Haircuts: It has become challenging to find a barber to come to camp for haircuts. Operating on the idea that we are rich in what we can live without, we are not planning to have a barber visit camp. Please have your son keep this in mind when thinking about hair for Opening Day. His cut before camp will need to be sufficient for the seven weeks.

Donating Used Uniforms: Uniform donations have been a tremendous help to the camp in outfitting boys on scholarship and the Council. If you have a stash of Pasquaney uniform items in good condition that you would like to donate, **please send them directly to Camp:** 19 Pasquaney Ln, Hebron, NH 03241. Please do not send them to the winter office. We are unable to accept donations of any other items such as old hiking shoes, sleeping bags, or camping gear.

Visiting and Schedules

Opening Weekend

Drop off between 11:30 AM and 1:15 PM.

Parent Gathering at Eastbourne 1-2:30 PM.

Opening Ceremonies for boys at 3:30 PM.

Visiting

We have designated one visiting weekend in the middle of the summer. If you are in the area after the visiting weekend and would like to come for our Saturday night entertainment and Sunday Chapel, you are welcome. For the sake of your son's feeling of independence, please make this visit only once or twice. If your son is in the Trustees Weekend Play, a week before the end of camp, you are welcome to see it.

Visiting Weekend Schedule

Saturday, July 15

- 3-5 PM Visit with and watch the boys at their activities and tour camp.
- 5:30 PM Waterfront picnic for guests, rain (under a roof) or shine. The boys have skit rehearsals to ensure top evening entertainment for you. Please walk through the tunnel for supper and for a great chance to meet other families.
- 8 PM Club skits in the Watson Theater.

Sunday, July 16

- 11:30 AM: Chapel. Guests are encouraged to join the boys in Chapel to get a sense of a very important part of the Pasquaney community.

After Chapel until 3:25 PM: Lunch. Campers may check out with their families until 3:25 PM, at which time they must be back for our camp meeting. Campers are free to go out to lunch with their own parents, grandparents, or other non-minor relatives. If your son expects to check out with visiting relatives who are not members of

your immediate family, please notify us ahead of time. Because of the disruptions in our schedule, we limit checking out on Sunday to those campers whose own families are visiting and request that other campers not be invited to go along.

Water Sports Weekend

Our final weekend, **August 12 and 13**, is what we call “Water Sports,” and it lasts a little less than 24 hours for our guests. It’s a chance for you to witness our activities and see some tangible products of your sons’ summers: plays, singing, water activities, and shop projects. We hope it will also give you a good grasp of the intangibles that we seek to practice.

Saturday, August 12

- 2:00 PM Festivities begin
- 4:15 PM Tree Talk summaries
- 5:00 PM Glade Play
- 6:00 PM Buffet Dinner
- 7:30 PM Theater Play
- 8:45 PM Singing

Sunday, August 13

- 9:00 AM Parent roundtable
- 11:30 AM Chapel

Camp Dictionary

As your son tells you stories of the summer, we thought it would be helpful to have a few definitions of words we commonly use at Pasquaney.

Advisor	Each camper is assigned a counsellor advisor for the summer.
Campfire	The post-supper activity, usually not a campfire.
Circles	Weekly confidential small group discussion on a topic that is important to the boys.
C.O.D.	Counsellor of the Day who runs the day's events.
C.O.I.	Captain of Industry, an older camper who helps run our Duty and Rest Periods.
Eastbourne	Director's house in the winter.
Glade	Outdoor theater.
Long Blues	Navy knee-high socks as part of Sunday uniform.
Long Walk	A five-day long hiking trip for some of the older boys.
Mary Lamb	Snack shop that the boys generally visit once a week.
Mem Hall	Memorial Hall is the dining hall.
Mines	Bathroom
Not Joe's	Weekly picnic with advisee group.
The Shack	Mr. Michael's Office
Short Walk	A three-day long hiking trip for some of the older boys.
Specie	A special outing as part of an activity, e.g., blueberry picking.
Tree Talk	A talk given by a counsellor on a topic that has been important to him.



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