



Welcome to Brave Arts Summer 2022

We are so excited to begin our 14th summer! This packet contains important information about your child's **overnight session at Brave Arts** – please read it thoroughly.

If you have not yet, please fill out and submit the required supplemental forms and waivers and upload to your Active account or email to braveartssummer@gmail.com

Due to the ongoing pandemic, we have prepared a “Safety & Risk Mitigation Plan”. Please refer to that document and the Community Agreement for specific information regarding COVID procedures at www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info

Please also review our [cell phone policy](#) with your Brave Arts kid(s)! More details regarding our technology policy for our overnight participants are included in this packet.

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1. WHAT TO BRING TO BRAVE ARTS – please make sure all items are **labeled**; a more extensive packing list is included at the end of this packet

On the first day of each session (July 17 for Boarding Session 1 and July 24 for Boarding Session 2) please make sure forms have been emailed by July 1st and any outstanding balances are brought to check-in. Checks can be made payable to Brave Arts or paid online via your Active.com account.

1. **Two water bottles** with name clearly labeled.
2. **Snacks are optional.** Feel free to send food for break times. Non-perishable, easy to clean up, water and juices are best. *Please no nut products for allergy safety and goldfish, cereal, etc that spill and make a mess!*
3. **Closed toed shoes** – sneakers work great. No flip-flops, sandals, uggs/boots or slippers will be allowed during rehearsals.
4. Clothes that are comfortable for dancing and movement.
5. **Backpacks or a bag** to carry folders/music home and back, safely store electronics, water bottle, etc.

6. **Pencil and highlighter** each day! A few extras are helpful!
7. Sweatshirt or long-sleeved shirt for A/C rooms
8. **Sunscreen and bug spray (mandatory)**, other sun protection - PLEASE LABEL with your child's name in a plastic baggie to be stored at Brave Arts for the duration of the session.
9. **Hair elastics**, clips, headbands etc to keep hair off your face and pulled back.
10. We will provide a folder for lyric sheets but some kids prefer to bring a **binder** to keep their lyrics organized.
11. **Medication** if necessary (see note below).

Electronics:

While we don't ban electronics, the less the better. Our time together is about building community and being with each other. All of the dorm rooms will be locked, but there is no guarantee of security. Cell phones will be collected during teaching/rehearsal time and redistributed at the counselor's discretion on breaks. We will brief everyone about this during our first night! Please review the [cell phone policy](#) with your Brave Arts participant prior to the start.

If you need to contact your child please reach out to Sarah at 508-314-1792 first and then the contact list in this packet. Service is limited so text or email (braveartssummer@gmail.com) is best. Any extenuating circumstances regarding cell phone use can be brought to a counselor's attention.

Other:

1. There will be break time so feel free to bring arts n crafts, games, sporting equipment, bathing suit & goggles, books, etc. to use during free time. We will provide arts n crafts and equipment for the whole group to use during these breaks as well.
2. Spending money – Brave Arts will provide meals on campus and a budgeted amount if we go off-campus for a meal. In past years \$25-\$30 in cash if we decide to get ice cream, snacks for the theater or movies, etc. This is discretionary by the parents/guardians and Brave Arts will cover all essential expenses for meals, tickets and transportation.
3. There will be coin-operated laundry available at the dorm. All participants are responsible for their own laundry and detergent. Please contact Sarah at 508-314-1792 or braveartssummer@gmail.com to coordinate a visit.

Medication:

During drop-off please bring any prescribed medication clearly labeled with the child's name, dosage amount and any special instructions. Please clearly label all epi-pens and the allergy they are administered for. For non-prescribed medication (i.e.: Motrin, Tylenol, Benadryl etc) please let Sarah know this is packed at drop-off and whether your child can self-administer.

All Brave Arts participants are strictly prohibited from bringing the following: tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs and weapons. CSW and Brave Arts reserve the right to search as needed. Possession of any of the listed items will result in immediate dismissal. Additionally, we ask for no no rip-stick, skateboards, bikes, etc.

**** see the complete packing checklist at the end of this packet ****

2. DIRECTIONS TO CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL OF WESTON: The GPS address for Cambridge School of Weston is 45 Georgian Road in Weston, MA 02493.

3. DROP-OFF TIME & LOCATION: For Boarding Session 1 drop-off will be Sunday July 17 and Sunday, July 24 for the boarding session between **4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.** Our dorms this year will be the Warren dorm (map #22) and Barn dorm (map #25) at CSW. Dorm assignments, traffic flow, and parking location for the dorms will be sent prior to move-in.

During drop-off we will have counselors available for check-in, to discuss any medical or allergy needs and move-in help. *A liability waiver will need to be signed at this time. If someone other than a parent/guardian will be dropping off your child, please reach out to Sarah at braveartssummer@gmail.com ASAP.*

PICK-UP TIME & LOCATION: For the boarding session 1 Friday, July 22 will be move-out day following the performance. For boarding session 1/2 and 2 Friday, July 29 will be move-out day. All participants must be moved out by 5:00 p.m. on their final Friday.

VISITS & PICK-UPS: This year we are *highly encouraging* that boarding participants are with us full-time and do not leave during the week and weekend both to mitigate the risk of COVID spread and to minimize disruptions to our teaching and activity time. If there is something unavoidable please email braveartssummer@gmail.com as soon as possible.

In general, we ask that participants are always present during our “day” hours (9:00 AM to 3:00 PM) since we will need to catch them up on missed times. Drop-off of needed items from visitors will only be allowed after 3:00 PM with a prearranged time/location.

In emergency circumstances, please contact (508) 314-1792 and then any of the numbers listed in our contact section.

NO Brave Arts participant is permitted to leave campus or the designated campus area(s) we are in without acknowledgment and permission from a staff member of Brave Arts.

4. DAILY SCHEDULE *subject to change

8:20-9:00 Breakfast

9:05-9:20 Warm-up activities (vocal, physical warm-up, games, etc)

9:20-10:00 Learn/rehearse music to group musical number(s) with Dan Snape

10:00-11:00 Learn/rehearse dances to group musical number(s)

11:00-11:30 Split into smaller group songs & dances

11:30-12:10 Lunch

12:10-1:15 Theatre games/activities, “workshop” of the day (i.e.: how to audition)

1:15-2:30 Small group rehearsal, review dance numbers

2:30-3:00 Review of material learned & Sharing Circle
 3:00 Day session ends

Boarding Session Only: Please note our schedule in the afternoon/evening is flexible and subject to change, add activities, etc. Saturday and Sunday are usually completely different schedules and have a “special” activity of the day (i.e.: seeing a movie, hike, outdoor games, etc.)

3:00-4:00 Break
 4:00-5:30 Outdoor activity (pool if weather permits)
 5:30-6:30 Dinner
 6:30-8:00 Additional rehearsal, group activity, outside games & activities, arts n crafts
 8:00-9:00 Sharing circle
 9:00-10:00 Hangout, movie/music, get ready for bed
 10:00 Lights out

5. MEALS: Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided for boarding participants *only* this year. Our breakfast will be “continental style”, lunch will be a choice of sandwiches and salads and dinner will be catered from surrounding restaurants.

All allergies, intolerances and special dietary needs should be filled out on the Allergies/Intolerances form in your initial paperwork packet and returned ASAP. This is vital for our food purchasing and preparation. The Associate Director will meet with all parents or guardians at the start of each session to collect any medicines, etc.

If your child is sensitive or allergic to any foods that will prevent them from eating in the cafeteria please contact Sarah at braveartssummer@gmail.com or (508) 314 1792 to work out an alternative meal plan.

6. FRIDAY PERFORMANCES: Every Friday there is a performance of all of the material learned throughout the session. Each performer will be featured in the show. T-shirts will be handed out on Friday morning. Performance location will be on the CSW campus but exact location/audience size TBD. Information about each performance will be emailed out to you throughout the week from braveartssummer@gmail.com Please be sure to check email!

Boarding Session 1 – Friday July 22 ; Performance at 1:30 PM, exact location at CSW TBD

Boarding Session 2 – Friday July 29 ; Performance at 1:30 PM, exact location at CSW TBD

7. CONTACT INFORMATION:

BraveArtsSummer@gmail.com
www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info
 Primary phone: 508-314-1792

Please check your email throughout the Brave Arts session for important updates. ALL emails should be sent to the Brave Arts email and not staff’s personal email addresses. Please note our day sessions run from 9 AM to 3 PM and we require all hands on deck. Phone service can be limited in the theatre so text/email are the fastest way to reach us. **Please limit phone calls to after 3:00 PM if not time sensitive. We will return any contact that is not of an urgent nature after 3:00 PM.**

Keith Greenfield

Executive Director and Owner of Brave Arts
(781) 858-0512

Sarah Clancy

Associate Director and Health Supervisor
(508) 314-1792 – *primary number for calls/texts if you need to reach Brave Arts*

Abby Shannon

Head Counselor
(508) 733-1820 – *if you need to urgently reach us and can't reach Sarah, please call Abby!*

Steven Sawan

Head Counselor
(508) 838-0360

Adam DeLollis

Head Counselor
(781) 708-5573

Dan Snape

Music Director

Matt Levinstein

Interim Music Director

Ben Kaplan, Dante D'Antonio, Sadie Vaughn, Jordan McLaughlin, Emily Rivera, Connor Ryan (week 1/2), Finn Zatylny, Tucker DeLollis, Ryan Kaplan, Alexa Niziak (week 3) | Counselors & CITs

We are honored you have chosen Brave Arts for your child's summer experience. Our entire staff is passionate about teaching and providing an exceptional learning and growing experience on and off the stage for each child.

Love and Peace,

The Brave Arts Staff of 2022

BOARDING SESSION RECOMMENDED PACKING CHECKLIST:**CLOTHING**

- Sweatshirt
- Rain jacket, umbrella optional
- Shorts/Pants – athletic/comfortable for dancing, games, etc.
- Khaki, jean or solid color/**non**-athletic shorts or pants for the performance
- T-shirts/Long sleeve shirts
- Extra socks
- Extra underwear
- Sunglasses, hat, sun protection, etc. *we will be outside a LOT this summer
- Bathing suit, goggles, beach/pool towel(s) for water activities
- Sneakers, closed-toe shoes
- Dance shoes (not required!)

SHOWER/BATH

- Toothbrush, toothpaste
- Shampoo, conditioner, face wash, soap
- Deodorant
- Bath Towels (two are recommended)
- Shower shoes – i.e.: plastic flip flops
- Feminine products

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- Hairbrush, elastics, clips, headbands, etc *we require all hair to be pulled back for the performances on Friday
- Sunscreen and bug spray

VALUABLES/ELECTRONICS *the less the better!

- Alarm clock and/or watch recommended *phones will be collected and we will knock on doors in the morning to wake up but some kids prefer an alarm clock
- Chargers
- Headphones, speakers
- Protective cases and locks
- Extra spending cash for off-campus activities (\$20-\$30 recommended for Boarding Session 1/2 ; Brave Arts will cover cost of all group activities/meals)
- Instruments if you feel comfortable using them/storing them
- Pencils, highlighter, paper

FOOD/SNACKS/WATER

- Labeled water bottles - recommend at least 2
- Non-perishable, re-sealable snacks/drinks (microwave available for ramen cups, mac n cheese, etc). **Please do not send food/snacks containing nuts!**

BEDDING/ROOM

- Sheets for twin-size bed
- Pillows
- Blankets, comforter
- Fans - *highly recommended - Warren dorm has A/C and the Barn dorm has limited A/C.
- Bag or hamper for dirty clothes

COVID-SAFETY RELATED

- Extra masks! Masks that you're comfortable singing/dancing in. Preferably surgical, KN95, KF94 or N95.
- Personal hand sanitizer bottle or wipes if desired
- Allergy medicine *highly recommend for anyone who suffers from seasonal, dust, etc. allergies to avoid mistaking for COVID symptoms
- Air purifier *CSW has them stationed around campus but feel free to bring for a dorm room if you would like
- Anything that will help keep you healthy! As we've spent 16 months in masks and around other people less than usual our immune systems may need a boost. Vitamins or supplements, healthy snacks, allergy meds, etc.

OTHER

- Games, arts n crafts, gimp, beads, etc. for downtime (bring something you don't mind sharing!)
- Appropriate DVDs and movies (please label with your name)
- Books (e-readers ok)
- Any audition materials, songs, or monologues you want to work on, etc. We want to help you with what you want to work on! If there is a song you've always wanted to learn how to sing or a scene you want to work on - bring those ideas with you
- Quarters for laundry, detergent, dryer sheets

