

June 17-18: Overnight Camping Trip to Vermont

Details

Leaving: Monday, June 17, 2024 at 11:00am from the Saint John School Parking Lot

Returning: Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at approximately 5:00 - 6:00pm to the Saint John School Parking Lot

Location: *Camping on the Battenkill* 48 Camping on the Battenkill, Arlington, VT 05250

Distance: ~3.5 hours (~160 miles)

Transportation: We will all be traveling as a group in a 15 passenger van

Cost per person: \$125 payable online or by check (*includes camping and transportation costs, dinner Monday evening, breakfast Tuesday morning, snacks and some drinks but we will mostly be drinking water - everyone must bring a personal refillable water bottle*)

If you need help with the cost please let us know - no one will miss the trip for financial reasons!

Chaperones: Luke DelVecchio, Jimmy Hastings, Kelly Meraw, Sr. Colleen Gibson SSJ, Tricia Bombara

Questions? Email us at: youthministry@sjspwellesley.org

Things To Do Now

- Register officially for the trip by completing and returning the appropriate Archdiocese of Boston *Liability Waiver & Medical Authorization Form (required - due by June 12, 2024!)*
 - [Liability Waiver & Medical Authorization Form for Minors \(Under Age 18\)](#)
 - [Liability Waiver & Medical Authorization Form for Adults \(Age 18 and Up\)](#)
- Make your payment online or by check (*info to the right or at the bottom of the page*)
- Check out the list of things you will need to bring (*and the list of things you should not bring!*) and start getting ready!

Things You Will Need to Bring

- A packed lunch for drive up on Monday (*required*) *Something easy to eat in the van and ideally bagged and disposable!*
- Sleeping bag (*required*)
- Camping mat (*optional*)
- Camping Mess Kit (*required*) *A good example:* https://www.amazon.com/UCO-6-Piece-Camping-Utensil-Venture/dp/B083YYS862?ref=ast_sto_dp&th=1
- Life jacket/PFD for tubing (*required*) *Tubes are provided but you must bring your own life jacket/PFD*
- Water shoes/sandals (*recommended*) *The river and shore can be rocky.*
- Flashlight/headlamp
- Refillable water bottle (*required*) *Bring something light - and that won't devastate you if it gets lost tubing!*
- Bathing suit and/or shirt and shorts than can get wet for tubing (*required*)
- Towel
- Comfortable clothes - but not too much! (*required*) *Just enough for 2 days plus a complete change of clothes if you get wet!*
- Warm sweats for evening/sleeping (*required*) *It's still cold at night in Vermont!*
- Sunscreen and bug spray
- Personal toiletries
- Any medication required *Please indicate on medical form*
- McDonald's money!

Things You Will NOT Need (*and should not bring!*)

- Expensive/irreplaceable jewelry
- Electronics (*other than your cell phone which you are welcome to bring - but we will have some phone-free times.*)
- A large amount of cash (*just McDonald's money!*)

Tentative Itinerary

Monday

- **11:00am:** Assemble at the St. John School Parking Lot
- **Lunch:** We will be eating our personal bagged lunches on the road
- **3:30pm - 4:00pm:** Estimated arrival at *Camping on the Battenkill*
- **Afternoon:** Set up campsite, group activities and games
- **Dinner:** Provided - we will cook out at the campsite
- **After Dinner:** Group and individual activities, campfire, singing
- **Evening Prayer**

Tuesday

- **Morning Prayer**
- **Breakfast:** Provided - we will cook out at the campsite
- **Early Morning:** Pack up tents & personal belongings, prepare tubes, etc.
- **Late Morning:** Float down the Battenkill River from the campground to Stateline Roadside Park
- **Early Afternoon:** Arrive at Stateline Roadside Park, drive back to the campground to get our gear, and depart for Wellesley.
- **Food on the way home:** We will stop at McD's - ***bring that McDonalds money!***
- **5:00 - 6:00pm:** Anticipated arrival back at the Saint John School Parking Lot.