



Building Confidence, Building Community

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Welcome Home

Hosmer Point, located in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom, is a place campers call home. Situated lake-side, the camp provides enriching experiences that foster self-confidence, and send young people into the world better equipped to build community and lead positive change.

Each day is filled with play, work, and exploration which lead to life-long friendships. Our staff are positive role models who teach campers to engage, contribute, and challenge themselves. At camp we live by and instill our community values: Cooperation, Generosity, Kindness, Respect, Trust, and Unity.

As part of a non-profit foundation with the Craftsbury Outdoor Center, we use sustainable practices and teach environmental stewardship.

Above all, campers are at the heart of our community. To learn more, watch our camp movie at hosmerpoint.com, or give us a call.

-Jon Hammond, Camp Director

“ Our daughter comes home a little more grown up and independent each year. We have seen her become more tolerant and generous towards others.

- Leslyn in Burlington

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The HIP Way

Community

Hosmer Point enrolls fewer than 100 campers per session. Our campers and staff represent an increasingly broad spectrum of economic backgrounds, family structures, racial, ethnic, and gender identities. Our small size and emphasis on inclusion builds a strong community, founded on respect for each other.

Activity Choices

Campers set their own schedule each day, fostering independence and teaching time management skills.

Sliding Scale Tuition

Families pay what they can afford so camp is a possibility for all children.

Unplugged Campus

No electronics at camp! We promote connecting face-to-face.

Staff

All staff complete background checks and meet our high standards for personal conduct and training. Staff build personal connections with campers through activities and cabin life.

Farm-to-Table Meals

Local and fresh! We accommodate many dietary restrictions.

Sustainability & Stewardship

We use and teach earth-friendly practices.



Campers help in our gardens, growing healthy produce for the dining hall.



Choosing from a wide variety of activities, campers gain skills they value.



We provide a 3:1 camper to staff ratio.



Campers feel respected for who they are, and are comfortable being themselves.



Camp Life

A Typical Day

- 6:45** Morning Run (optional)
- 7:15** Polar Bear Swim (optional)
- 7:30** Wake Up
- 8:15** Breakfast
- 9:00 - 9:30** Community Work Time
- 9:30 - 10:45** Morning Focus Area
- 11:00 - 12:00** First Elective
- 12:00 - 1:15** Lunch & Rest Hour
- 1:15 - 2:30** Afternoon Focus Area
- 2:45 - 3:45** Second Elective
- 3:45 - 4:00** Snack
- 4:00 - 5:00** Choice Time
- 5:00 - 6:00** Cabin Time
 - 6:15** Dinner
- 7:30** Evening Activity & Campfire Time
- 9:30** Lights Out

“ My son had a great time. I am so pleased with how he seemed coming home: comfortable with himself, happy, more focused on the important things in life.

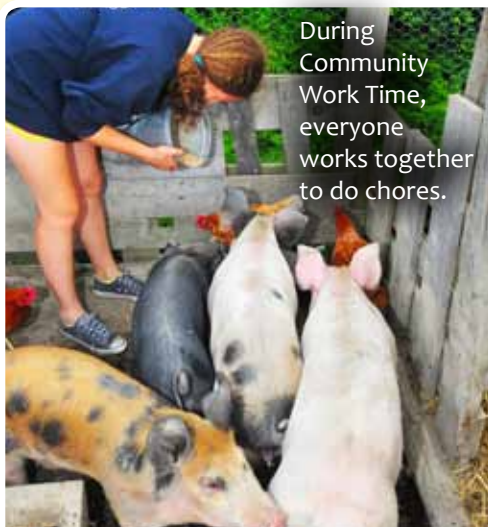
- Sophie in Richmond ”



Each cabin houses ten campers & two counselors. There are separate boys and girls sections, each with a shared bathhouse.



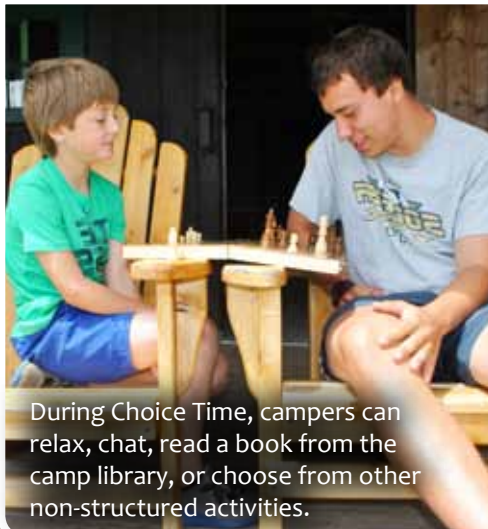
Campers can enjoy the waterfront throughout the day.



During Community Work Time, everyone works together to do chores.



Campers design their own schedule, choosing electives each day and focus areas each week.



During Choice Time, campers can relax, chat, read a book from the camp library, or choose from other non-structured activities.



Evening activities build community through games & friendly competition.



Activities

Campers have the same focus areas for a full week, allowing time to develop skills. Electives are different every day, and promote trying new things. With 6-8 choices for each focus and elective period, there is something to match each child's passion. Campers and counselors can even invent new activities based on their interests.

Sculling

Mountain Biking

Farm & Garden

Build

Sailing

Canoeing & Kayaking

Stand-Up Paddle boards

Arts & Crafts

Photography

Cooking

Guitar

Wilderness Skills

Nature Explorers


Soccer

Tennis

Frisbee

Archery

Yoga



Campers can explore the lake by sailboat, scull, canoe, kayak, or SUP.



Beginning & advanced rowers receive one-on-one coaching in Sculling focus area.



HP boasts 10 miles of trails, a pump track, & a girls-only mountain biking specialty camp.



In Build focus area, campers make structures & rustic furniture.



Farm & Garden includes harvesting, planting, animal care, and cooking activities.



Wilderness focus area teaches outdoor skills, helping campers feel at home in the natural world.

Capstone
Camp includes
canoeing & hiking
adventures.

Leadership Camps

Capstone Camp

Each year, campers who've completed 9th grade participate in this culminating experience, designed to challenge while cementing camp values and friendships. Capstone campers live in our rustic outpost campus where they cook their own meals and build their own camp traditions while participating in off-camp adventures and community service projects.

Leader In Training & Counselor In Training

The next steps towards being a counselor. Former campers who have completed their Sophomore and Junior years of high school may apply for these leadership training programs.



A photograph of two people in a green canoe on a calm lake. The person in the front is wearing a blue shirt and the person in the back is wearing a purple shirt. They are surrounded by a dense forest of green trees. The water is still, reflecting the surrounding environment.

New Campers

Your first time at camp is an exciting step towards independence. HP helps families make that step.

- One-week sessions designed to help campers feel at home.
- Meet campers and staff at open houses around the Northeast.
- Video chat with a director or go on a camp tour.
- New two-week campers are assigned a returning camper penpal.

Dear New Camper,

My name is Theo. I am proud to say that this will be my 4th summer at HP. Hosmer Point is where I love to be, and I hope it will be for you as well!

I bet many have talked to you about being a first-time camper. The truth is, it can be uncomfortable for the first few days, but then everything just kind of clicks. Remember that everyone was in the same position as you, and that everyone is part of the community. You can always talk to your counselors - they are as much your friends as your cabin mates. Most importantly, take in everything HP has to offer. Initially, you might not notice the new bonds you have created - and that's what makes it beautiful. You're in the moment, with no worries. More than activities, the friendships you make here are lifelong and unbreakable.

Welcome home!

- Theo

(Camper penpal letter from 2019)

Camp Sessions

Session	Dates			Grade Completed Before Camp
	2020	2021	2022	
Wylie Hill 6-day	6/21 - 6/26	6/20 - 6/25	6/19 - 6/24	2nd - 7th (age 8-13)
Wild Branch 6-day	8/9 - 8/14	6/27 - 7/2	6/26 - 7/1	2nd - 7th (age 8-13)
Holiday Hill 13-day	6/28 - 7/10	7/4 - 7/16	7/3 - 7/15	4th - 9th (age 9-15)
Black River 13-day	7/12 - 7/24	7/18 - 7/30	7/17 - 7/29	4th - 9th (age 9-15)
Bayley Hazen 13-day	7/26 - 8/7	8/1 - 8/13	7/31 - 8/12	4th - 9th (age 9-15)

Sessions start on Sunday and end on Friday. Check our website for Girl's Mountain Biking Camp dates. Registration opens to the public on October 15.



Traveling to Hosmer Point

Hosmer Point is in Northeastern Vermont, near the Canadian border; 1.5 hours drive from Burlington, VT, 2.5 hours from Montreal, 4 hours from Boston, and 7 hours from New York City. Transportation from Burlington International Airport is available.

Questions?
We're happy to help.

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