

Elementary Adventures 2024

Drop Off: Sunday, July 7, 2:00-3:00 p.m.
Pick Up: Saturday, July 13, 9:30-10:30 a.m.
(Closing program at 9:15 a.m.)

Dear Campers:

Hello! We are Stef and Ashley, and we are your deans for Elementary Adventures 2024! We and our team of amazing counselors have been busy making exciting plans to make your week at Pilgrim Lodge fun and full of adventures. We can't wait to welcome you!

What's your kind of adventure? Active or quiet? Crafty or sporty? On land or on the water? We'll have ALL these adventures and more at Elementary Adventures! During the week, we will make new friends, be inspired by God's creation, swim, boat, craft, sing, play, solve challenges, hear stories... and more!



Whether it's your first time at PL or you've been coming for years, we can't wait to welcome you to camp. We have both been connected to Pilgrim Lodge for many years – and remember the nervous-excitement of attending for the first time. We're inviting **EVERYONE** to bring their favorite stuffed animal and comfy blanket to make your bunk cozy!

One night, we'll have a “fancy” dinner. Bring your favorite “fancy” outfit to wear to dinner – you can dress like one of God's fancy animal creatures, channel your inner Fancy Nancy, or rock a t-shirt and necktie... however you define fancy!

And in the opposite of fancy... one afternoon we'll get just about as messy as can be by “mucking” in the woods. Please bring a pair of closed-toe shoes that can get REALLY wet and dirty (you may even lose one or two) – if you've got an old pair of sneakers that you're getting ready to throw away, those would be PERFECT mucking shoes.

Many of our activities will relate to this summer's theme for the week: “Linked by Love.” As part of this, we will try to live by the “platinum rule”: treat others the way *they* would like to be treated. And we will learn about the Maine Seacoast Mission, a very cool organization that keeps Mainers who live on islands linked to resources and support. We invite you to bring an offering (donation) that will support these efforts, which you can read more about [on the PL website](#).

On **Sunday, July 7**, the day you come to camp, **please arrive between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m.** You will be greeted by camp staff who will show your driver where to unload your bags, park the car, and find us to get signed in for the week. There will be lots of people to help you know where to go! You'll check in with the camp staff, the nurse, and then we will be waiting to greet you and tell you which cabin you get to stay in. Then you will head to your cabin, meet your counselor, set up your bunk ... and the fun begins!

On **Saturday, July 13**, the last day of camp, your grownup(s) can sign you out **between 9:30 and 10:30 am. Beginning at 9:15 we will have a brief closing program that they are invited to attend** if they wish. They'll get to hear about what made our week together so special.

So, pack your suitcase (don't forget your stuffed animal, "fancy" outfit, and mucking shoes!), get excited, and we'll see you at camp on July 7. We can't wait to spend a great week together at Pilgrim Lodge!

See you soon!

Deans Stef Michaud and Ashley Martinage

PS – If you missed the PL packing list, you can find it on page 8 of the [Camper Guide!](#)

PPS – A great PL tradition is making tie-dye t-shirts. If you'd like to make a cool piece of wearable art, please bring a plain white t-shirt with you to camp!

PPPS – You will need a pair of lace-up closed-toe shoes (sneakers) for many of our adventures – you're welcome to bring shoes like Crocs, too, but they won't work for everything.