

# Welcome to Brave Arts Theatre Workshop Summer 2025

It's time to start thinking about Brave Arts! We are very excited to kick off our 17th summer. This packet contains important information about your child's summer with Brave Arts – please read it thoroughly.

If you have not yet, please fill out and submit the required supplemental forms and waivers on your Active account and pay any outstanding balances. Visit <a href="https://campsself.active.com/braveartstheatreworkshop">https://campsself.active.com/braveartstheatreworkshop</a> to log in to your Active account.

This year, you will only need to submit the Medication Authorization and Medical Information form if your child needs to receive medication during Brave Arts hours and/or has a medical condition that may affect their participation and/or needs to be reported to emergency responders during a medical emergency. This can be found on and uploaded via your Active account or emailed to <a href="mailto:braveartssummer@gmail.com">braveartssummer@gmail.com</a>

Please also review our <u>cell phone policy</u> with your Brave Arts kid(s)!

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# 1. WHAT TO BRING TO BRAVE ARTS — please make sure all items are labeled

Lunch will be provided for ALL participants this year. If your child would prefer to bring a lunch from home please send in a labeled lunch bag/box. No nuts or sesame products permitted.

Water bottle with name labeled clearly.
<b>Snacks are optional but encouraged.</b> Non-perishable, easy to clean up, water
and juices are best. Please no nut or sesame products for allergy safety.
Closed-toed shoes – sneakers work great. No flip-flops, sandals, uggs/boots or
slippers will be allowed during rehearsals or performances.
Clothes that are comfortable for dancing and movement.

$\square$	<b>Backpacks or a bag</b> to carry folders/music home and back, safely store
	electronics, water bottle, etc.
	Pencil and highlighter each day!
	Sweatshirt or long-sleeved shirt for A/C rooms
	<b>Sunscreen, bug spray;</b> hat, sunglasses and other sun protection – LABEL with
	your child's name in a plastic baggie to be stored at Brave Arts.
	Hair elastics, clips, headbands, etc to keep hair off your face and pulled back.
	We will provide a folder for lyric sheets, but some kids prefer to bring a binder to
	keep their lyrics organized.
	<b>Medication</b> if necessary (see note below)

We strongly encourage electronics (including gaming devices, iPads, smart watches, etc) to be left at home. Phones will be collected by staff and stored away during our day sessions. Please make sure phones are in protective cases. Brave Arts is not responsible or liable for any damage, theft, or loss of devices or other property. This is a great chance to be tech–free for a week! Read our full cell phone policy at: <a href="https://www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info">www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info</a>

If you need to reach your child during the day session please call or text Sarah at (508) 314-1792.. Service can be limited in the performing arts center, but WiFi is strong, so texts and emails are encouraged if the call is not answered – <a href="mailto:braveartssummer@gmail.com">braveartssummer@gmail.com</a> Please save calls/texts for urgent information **only** between 9 AM to 3 PM. Every minute we spend answering texts/calls is time away from our Brave Arts kids! If it's not urgent, we'll reply after 3:00 PM.

**Medication:** During drop-off please bring any prescribed medicine needed to be administered during day sessions 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. All medication must be reported on Medical Authorization form.

All Brave Arts participants are prohibited from bringing the following: alcohol, marijuana, tobacco or nicotine products or e-cigarettes/vapes, illegal drugs, and weapons. We reserve the right to search as needed. Possession of any of the listed items will result in immediate dismissal.

**2. <u>DIRECTIONS TO CAMBRIDGE SCHOOL OF WESTON:</u>** The GPS address for CSW is 45 Georgian Road in Weston, MA 02493.

MAP HERE! Go past the CSW Athletic Entrance on Lexington Street if coming from MA-117. Turn onto Georgian Road, and follow the road to the circle marked Parking Lot / Drop-Off & Pick-Up \*map also provided at the end of this packet

Please note that other programs/camps at CSW will be dropping off at the Athletic Entrance, but Brave Arts will be at the Georgian Road entrance.

**3. DROP-OFF and PICK-UP:** If you are running late, please let us know ASAP via call or text at 508-314-1792 or e-mail at <a href="mailto:braveartssummer@gmail.com">braveartssummer@gmail.com</a>

**MONDAY DROP-OFF**: On the first day, please plan to arrive between 8:40-8:50 a.m. to check in with a counselor, drop off any medication, and discuss questions. You may park at the parking lot marked with X on the map and then follow the path to the Mugar Performing Arts Center #8.

**TUESDAY-FRIDAY DROP-OFF**: Please use the circle in front of the Admin Building #2 to drop off. We will have staff stationed around the circle to check-in Brave Arts kids beginning at 8:50 AM.

**PICK-UP:** For pick-up, please pull into the Parking Lot off Georgian Road (marked on the map). A line of cars will form on the road between buildings #1 and #2. We will bring the kids out at 3:00 PM and dismiss in the order of the car line.

We are on campus with other summer programs. Please ensure you make contact with a staff member of Brave Arts before taking your child or any other child in your carpool. Please email or text Sarah at (508) 314–1792 if someone not listed on the authorized carpool form will be picking up your child.

**LATE DROP-OFF and EARLY PICK-UP:** We strongly encourage participants to be present during our "day" hours (9:00 to 3:00) and as much as possible during afternoon/night sessions as we prepare for Friday's performance. In an emergency or to notify us you are running late, please call/text Sarah at (508) 314–1792 or email <a href="mailto:braveartssummer@gmail.com">braveartssummer@gmail.com</a>

# **4. DAILY SCHEDULE:** \*this is an example, 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 for group musical number(s)

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

11:00-11:45 Split into smaller group songs & dances

11:45-12:30 Lunch and outside games

12:30–1:00 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; pick up in between building #1 and #2

**5. MEAL TIME:** Lunch will be provided by the CSW Dining Hall for day session participants. There will be a lunch break around 11:45 am, and snacks are encouraged as needed. Water and snacks should come in a LABELED fully-closed container or bag (can be stored in the fridge). Please do not send nut or sesame products. Any questions, please let us know!

All allergies, intolerances, and special dietary needs should be filled out on the Allergies & Intolerances info via your Active account. If you have anything new to report, please email Sarah (<a href="mailto:braveartssummer@gmail.com">braveartssummer@gmail.com</a>) to update. She will meet with all parents or guardians on Monday morning of each session to collect any medicines, epi-pens, etc.

**6.** <u>FRIDAY PERFORMANCES:</u> Every Friday there is a performance of all of the material learned throughout the session on the Mugar Center mainstage. T-shirts will be

handed out on Friday morning. Info about each performance will be emailed out to you throughout the week from <a href="mailto:braveartssummer@gmail.com">braveartssummer@gmail.com</a> Performance start time may be adjusted to slightly earlier as needed! We aim for performances to be over by 3:00 p.m. on Friday.

#### **Performance times:**

Friday, July 11 – 1:30 PM Friday, July 18 – 1:15 PM Friday, July 25 – 1:15 PM

## 7. SICK/ABSENCE POLICY:

All absences should be reported via <u>braveartssummer@gmail.com</u> or via call/text to 508-314-1792.

- Any participant with a fever must be fever-free without the use of medication for 24 hours and/or have completed any required quarantine period before returning to Brave Arts. Please refer to the CDC for quarantine periods.
- -Participants with a fever of 100.0 degrees or higher, or symptoms of being ill such as, but not limited to, cough, sore throat, nausea, dizziness, aches, or chills, must stay home or will be sent home. COVID test results or clearance by a doctor for other suspected illnesses may be required to return to Brave Arts.
- -Brave Arts does not issue refunds for sick days or other absences. If a child misses more than 2 days Brave Arts staff will be in touch regarding Friday performance arrangements.

## 8. CONTACT INFORMATION:

<u>BraveArtsSummer@gmail.com</u> <u>www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info</u>

**Primary phone:** 508–314–1792 \*texts and emails are highly encouraged as cell service is not strong in the theatre

Please check your email throughout the Brave Arts session for important updates. ALL emails should be sent to the Brave Arts email and not the staff's personal email addresses.

#### Keith Greenfield

Executive Director and Owner (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

**Dan Snape -** Music Director

#### Ben Kaplan

Assistant Music Director/Head Counselor (508) 314-9234

Emily Rivera, Jordan McLaughlin, Sadie Vaughn, Dante D'Antonio

Head Counselors (781) 898-5023 / (508) 868-8690 / (508) 808-0280 / (508) 848-8277

Ryan Kaplan (all weeks), Steven Sawan and Alexa Niziak (week <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> only) | Counselor

# Map of CSW with Brave Arts locations \*bigger version available at <a href="https://www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info">www.brave-arts.org/current-performer-info</a>\*

