Teen Travel Under the Sun Adventures



Program Booklet Summer 2025

Awesome Adventures for Awesome Teens!

Revised: 5/2025

FORMS CHECKLIST 2025 Teen Travel Adventure Days Acknowledgement/Check List Form

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I, (parent), acknowledge by checking boxes below, that I understand and have received a copy of each of the following forms. I also understant responsible for following these policies and procedures throughout the 2025 Teen Travel Adventure Programmed and returned each of the following forms to the Branford Parks & Recreation Department Office.	d th	at I am
 Review and Update of Emergency Child Information Sheet (Medical Form) Reviewed when you drop off waivers by June 6, 2025. 	()
2. Final payment	()
3. Read & review the rules of the Teen Travel Adventure Program and understand the policies and proce	edure	es of the
program and the facilities that we travel to.	()
4. Wavier Form ~ Tree Trails: <u>See waiver link</u>	()
5. Waiver Form ~ Brownstone Discovery Park: <u>See waiver link</u>	()
6. Waiver Form ~ Connecticut Watersports New Milford : <u>See waiver link</u>	()
7. Waiver Form ~ Codeword Quandary Escape Wallingford, CT: <u>See waiver link</u>	()
8. Waiver Form ~ Supercharged, Oakdale, CT: <u>See waiver link</u>	()
9. Transportation Permission Slip	()
10. Code of Conduct & Dismissal of Traveler Form Signed	()
11. Divorced or Separated Parent Information Form (if applicable)	()
12. Sunscreen Policy	()
13. Review of Parent/Camper Handbook	()
14. Signed acknowledgement of Parent/Camper Handbook	()

All forms need to be filled out and returned to the office no LATER than June 6, 2025.

About The Staff: Your Camper will be supervised by a well rounded, well trained staff. We ask that each Camper respect each of the staff members. Campers will be assigned to a staff counselor who they will have to sign in and out with at the beginning and end of each trip and at check in times. They will also be required to report to their assigned Staff Counselor at scheduled times throughout the trips. This is to ensure the safety of each and every one of them. The staff wishes you a fun and safe summer. They are very excited to be traveling with you. Please make sure that you read over all of the rules and regulations throughout this handbook. Remember that you are responsible for your actions and you agreed to follow the rules of the Teen Travel Adventure Program and the rules of each establishment that we visit. Parents should call the office with questions, 203-488-8304.

Staff Leaders: Nally Sahin, Assistant Director: 203-488-8304 **Staff Counselors:** Laura Montone, Dylan Palluzzi, JD Shaw, & Kaylee Vidro

- 1. **NO Smoking** of any kind, this includes vaping. NO alcoholic beverages, and illegal drug use is strictly prohibited.
- 2. The use of vulgar or profane language is not allowed.
- 3. Please arrive to all trips at the scheduled times. Buses will NOT wait for those Campers who are late. Parents please pick up your Campers on time. Parents are NOT permitted to pick up or drop off children at designated field trips or meet buses on the side of the road. Please note, departure and pick up times.
- 4. All Campers must wear their "Teen Travel" designated back pack at all times, unless instructed otherwise.
- 5. Fighting, stealing, abuse of equipment, grounds, facilities, etc. will not be tolerated and are subject for dismissal from the program.
- 6. No bullying or endangering another person's well being.
- 7. Disrespect to the staff members and towards other campers will not be tolerated.
- 8. Campers **MUST** follow all the rules and regulations that pertain to the field trips, bus companies and the rules and regulations of the establishments we are visiting.
- 9. Please do not bring valuables with you on trips.
- 10. There will be no refunds for trips not attended.
- 11. Scooters, skateboards, rollerblades, etc. are **NOT** allowed on trips.
- 12. Campers are allowed to bring snacks with them to all trips and a lunch where indicated. Please make sure that all snacks and lunches are peanut and nut free.
- 13. All campers **MUST** stay with their assigned counselor. You are **NOT** allowed to go off on your own, unless permission is granted by the counselor. Campers **MUST** be with a buddy at all times.
- 14. All campers **MUST** have a watch with them for all trips!!! You are **NOT** allowed to be late for check in times and departures.
- 15. Campers are encouraged to bring cell phones with them if they have them. (You **MUST** follow all rules pertaining to cell phones at all locations. i.e. theatres)
- 16. Any Camper that cannot abide by these rules will be dismissed immediately from the Teen Travel Adventure Program. No refunds will be granted. NO EXCEPTIONS! Remember, you are responsible for your actions.
- 17. Please notify our department of any restrictions or limitations that we should be aware of prior to traveling.
- 18. Have a safe and fun summer!

NOTE: The Parks and Recreation Department and the Teen Travel Adventure staff are not responsible for lost electronic items. Participants who bring them are doing so at their own risk.



Sign In and Sign Out Procedures:

All Campers are required to sign in each morning with their assigned counselor prior to the beginning of each trip. Campers must sign in at all check points and **MUST** be on time. At the end of each trip Campers **MUST** sign out with their counselor.

Parents and Travelers: Please **NOTE** that at the beginning and end of each trip announcements, reminders, changes, etc. are made to let Campers know about the next trip, i.e. departure times, what to bring, special requirements, etc. If your child has missed a trip, please call the **OFFICE** for updates. **DO NOT** call the counselors. Thank you, and remember you can always call the office anytime with questions, 203-488-8304. We ask that you be prompt for all pick up and drop off times. Parents who are picking up at end of the day are asked to <u>please</u> <u>be on time</u>. Our staff will stay to make sure that all Campers are picked up, but if you are excessively late you will be charged a late fee, \$10.00 for every 15 minutes or part of 15 minutes that you are late.

We have again partnered with the Board of Education to provide Free Meals for the Summer. Campers will be able to have a healthy breakfast and lunch for all trips.

Drop off and Pick Up: Joe Trapasso Community House, 46 Church Street, Branford

"TEEN TRAVEL~ UNDER THE SUNADVENTURE" Itinerary and Important Information



Teen Travel Adventure Program Please review all this information with your child. We are looking forward to a fun summer with them.

July 1st: Tree Trails Adventures	Time: Locat	t ion
Note: Drop off & pick up: Joe Trapasso CH	8:00 AM-3:00PM	Mystic, CT
July 8th:Codeword Quandary Escape Puzzle Room & Lunch	Time:	Location
Note: Drop off & pick up : Joe Trapasso CH	8:30 AM-3:00 PM	Wallingford, CT
July 10th: Supercharged	Time:	Location
Note: Drop off & pick up : Joe Trapasso CH	9:30 AM-3:30 PM	Montville, CT
July 15th: Lake Quassy	Time:	Location
Note: Drop Off & Pick up: Joe Trapasso CH	9:00 AM-5:30 PM	Middlefield, CT
July 17th: Connecticut Water Sports	Time:	Location
Note: Drop off & Pick up: Joe Trapasso CH	9:00 AM-5:30PM	Morris, CT
July 22nd: Six Flags	Time:	Location:
Note: Drop off & Pick up: Joe Trapasso CH	8:00 AM-6:00 PM	Agawam, MA
July 24th: Ocean Beach State Park	Time:	Location:
Note: Drop off & Pick up: Joe Trapasso CH	8:30 AM-4:30 PM	New London, CT
July 29th: Brownstone Discovery Park	Time:	Location
Note: Drop off & Pick up: Joe Trapasso CH	8:30 AM-5:00PM	Portland, CT

This schedule is subject to change

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TREE TRAILS ADVENTURE PARK:

LOCATION: Fields of Fire, Mystic CT.

DEPARTURE TIME: 8:00 A.M.

DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St) **DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:** Push yourself to new heights as you test your skills on the custom built Aerial Adventure Park. We will be climbing amongst the trees all decorated with lights! Courses range from beginner to expert so there is something for every level. Come

enjoy a bon fire, group games & more! Please wear sneakers or bring them with you. Check out the website at: www.treetrails.com.

NOTE: Campers will be provided with a cookout for lunch. Please bring additional snacks and water. Please fill out your waiver form by June 6th using this link.

CODEWORD ESCAPE PUZZLE ROOM & LUNCH:

LOCATION: Wallingford, CT. DEPARTURE TIME: 8:30 A.M.

PICK UP TIME: 3:00 P.M.

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DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St) **DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:** Complete your mission, crack codes and solve puzzles to escape the clock. Travelers will be grouped in these team building exercises. You and your teammates need to complete the tasks before the clock runs out. After successful escaping, Travelers will enjoy lunch together. (Quandary Escape Room)

Please fill out your waiver form by June 6th using this link.

SUPERCHARGED:

LOCATION: Montville, CT DEPARTURE TIME: 9:30 A.M.

DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church Street) **DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:** Experience the largest multi-level karting track in Connecticut. Challenge each other to go-cart races, ninja wipeout and trampolines, featuring a battle beam, wipeout balls, cargo climbing nets, spinning logs and much more!!

NOTE: Lunch is NOT included. You may bring a lunch and/or there will be concession available. Please fill out your waiver form by June 6th using this link.

LAKE QUASSY:

LOCATION: Middlebury, CT DEPARTURE TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PICK UP TIME: 3:30 P.M.

PICK UP TIME: 5:30 P.M.

DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St) **DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:** Come experience the thrills and chills at Lake Quassy. With more then 20 rides, Quassy has fun for everyone. Ride the award-winning Wooden Warrior roller coaster, the Grand Carousel. Reverse Time, Paratrooper and Splash Away Bay plus much more! You MUST follow all rules of the park. Bring a change of clothes, bathing suit, towel, wear or bring sneakers and/or sandals that have a strap, and sun screen. Do not bring valuables. You can bring lunch and additional snacks. NO glass. Rides may be shut down without notice due to weather or safety. Please obey all posted rules and regulations. NOTE: Lunch will be provided.

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JULY 8th

JULY 10th

JULY 15th

CONNECTICUT WATER SPORTS - NEW MILFORD

LOCATION: New Milford, CT DEPARTURE TIME: 9:00 A.M.

PICK UP TIME: 5:30 P.M.

PICK UP TIME: 6:00 P.M.

DROP OFF LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St)



DESCRIPTION OF TRIP: Get your summer on! Travelers will enjoy swimming, wake boarding, and tubing on Lake Lillinonah! Top notch captains will give travelers a fun, safe and educational day on the water. Please wear your bathing suit, bring plenty of water, towel, sunscreen and wear sneakers. Visit their website: https://connwatersports.com/

NOTE: Travelers will have a cookout. Please bring additional snacks and water.

Please fill out your waiver form by June 6th using this link.

SIX FLAGS NEW ENGLAND

LOCATION: Agawam, MA DEPARTURE TIME: 8:00 A.M.

DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St) **DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:** Enjoy the thrill of the rides and entertainment at Six Flags. Check out the newest rides and attractions ~Gotham City Gauntlet and Survivor Live. Six Flags New England is the largest family theme park and water park with rides for all ages! Each Traveler's pass is good for all day admission plus a meal voucher for lunch. *All bags are subject to be checked by park officials prior to entering the park.* **NOTE(S): Lunch is NOT included.** Bring a bathing suit, towel, change of clothes, snacks and beverages for the bus ride. No food is allowed in the park. **Do's and Don'ts:** Shoes and a shirt must be worn at all times while in the Theme Park. Cameras may not be permitted on thrill rides. Rafts are required at the Big Kahuna tube slide and Adventure River. Guest may rent rafts for the day at the Raft Rental Building or use rafts provided at the attraction. You **MUST** follow all posted park rules. Lockers are available for a small fee.

OCEAN BEACH STATE PARK:

LOCATION: New London, CT DEPARTURE TIME: 8:30 A.M. DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St) DESCRIPTION OF TRIP: Campers will enjoy Ocean Beach State Park and what it has to offer. Olympic size swimming pool, beach, boardwalk, mini golf, water slides and more! Please bring snacks, bath suit, sunscreen, towel, change of clothes and plenty of water to stay hydrated. Lunch provided, concession available. NOTE: Travelers will receive a lunch ticket. Please bring additional snacks and plenty of water.

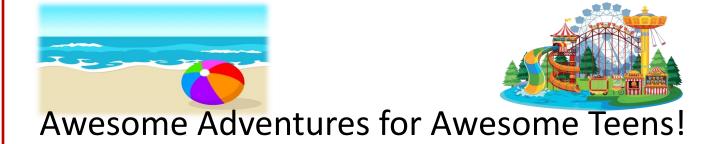
BROWNSTONE EXPLORATION & DISCOVERY PARK:

LOCATION: Brownstone Exploration & Discovery Park, Portland, CT. DEPARTURE TIME: 8:30 A.M. PICK UP TIME: 5:30 P.M.

DEPARTURE & PICK-UP LOCATION: Joe Trapasso Community House (46 Church St) **DESCRIPTION OF TRIP:** This is not your typical water park...it is an *ADVENTURE SPORTS*

PARK. There is something for everyone. Enjoy an old fashioned swimming hole with rope swings, floating playgrounds, and water trampolines. All swimmers are monitored by certified lifeguards and **MUST** wear a flotation device which will be provided. **NOTE(S)** Please bring snacks and water with you. There is a snack bar. Please wear your bathing suit, bring a change of clothes, towel, & sunscreen. Visit the website at: <u>www.brownstonepark.com</u>.

NOTE: LUNCH IS INCLUDED. Please bring additional snacks and water. Concession stand onsite. Please fill out the waiver using this <u>link</u>.



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Code of conduct

Participant Code of Conduct

During the camp we have developed a code of conduct to make sure that everyone has a positive camp experience. This means that all participants: campers, parents/ guardians, and staff shall respect the individual rights, safety and property of others.

Parents: Please review these rules with your child I will:

- Respect the differences in other people, and make an effort to include everyone, and refrain from behaviors that may hurt another camper or staff member's feelings.
- Be mindful of my counselors and respect their request and follow their directions.
- Pick up after myself and throw away all trash.
- Respect other people's property.
- Let my counselor know if I am or I am not having a good time at camp.
- Respect the staff, animals and places that we visit.
- Have fun at camp in ways that are safe to others and myself.
- Have a positive attitude.

I will Not:

- Fight with other campers with my hands or my words.
- Bring candy or soda to camp.
- Share food with another camper.
- Go anywhere without permission and accompaniment of my counselor.
- Use derogatory terms or offensive language when talking to or about other campers.
- Tease or bully other campers.
- Bring inappropriate items (includes electronics, weapons, drugs, etc.) to camp.

If I choose not to follow the code of conduct:

First Time: I will be given a verbal warning explaining the problem and the expected behavior.

- **Second Time:** I will be removed from the activity and my parent will be called; The Camp Director or their designee may call home to discuss the behavior plan.
- Third Time: The Camp Director will be notified and my parents will be called to pick me up.

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Branford Parks and Recreation Department Divorced or Separated Parent Information Form

*only fill this out if it applies to your family. If not please write your child's Name and put N/A

Child(ren) Names(s): Program: Teen Travel

(Please Print)

It is the mission of Branford Parks and Recreation Department to be a support to families and to promote positive development for children. We recognize that many families are in transition and have experienced divorce and separation. Please provide us with the following information so that we may avoid any confusion for you, your child(ren), and our staff. Attach a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

(Please put N/A if this does not apply to your family & return with your packet).

Which parent do we contact first for general guestions?

Which parent do we contact first in an emergency?

What are the custody arrangements?

Please list below any persons NOT AUTHORIZED to pick up the child(ren) from a Branford Parks and Recreation Department Program. Please attach any legal papers or court documents stating the restrictions regarding contact with the child(ren) while your child(ren) are in our care. (You may include a photo and general description of this person(s).

NOT AUTHORIZED:

What is the visitation schedule which involves pick-up of the child(ren) at Branford Recreation

programs? *Information should be written out on a separate piece of paper and* attached to this form.

It would be helpful to know the other significant adults that are in your child's life and what their relationship is to the child, especially if we will have contact with them through our programs.

Name	Phone	Relationship to child			
Name	Phone	Relationship to child			
Thank you for helping us provide the best possible care for your child(ren). Please feel free to contact the Branford Parks & Recreation Department office (203)488-8304 with any concerns or questions.					
Name of Parent filling out th	is form:				
Signature(s)		Date:			

Dismissal of a Camper: Summer 2025

There will be the occasional camper who will not follow the rules or their behavior or actions may be disruptive to other Travelers, staff members, or establishments that we visit. We have high expectations of behavior and expect that you will obey the rules set forth by the Branford Parks & Recreation Teen Travel Adventure Program, the transportation service companies that we use, and the establishments that we visit. The following process will be followed in situations that are not grounds for immediate dismissal.

Step 1: A Camper will be given a verbal warning from the counselor or another staff member present. A course of action for changing the behavior should be discussed at this time. The Camper will be warned that similar behavior/ actions will result in contact with parents. The incident should be reported to the supervisor of the Program or their designee immediately.

Step 2: If similar behavior /actions occurs again, the counselor or the staff member present will give a verbal reprimand. The incident will be reported to the supervisor of the Program or their designee who will contact the parents to discuss the issue.

Step 3: If similar behaviors occurs again, the Supervisor of the Teen Adventure Program or the Assistant Director will notify the parents that the Camper has been removed from an activity, a trip (s) or from the program and they may not return to the program for the rest of the summer.

The Teen Travel Adventure Supervisor, The Program Supervisor, The Program Coordinator, the Assistant Director and the Director of the Parks and Recreation Department always reserve the right, when the behavior or actions are particularly flagrant or disruptive or against the law, to dismiss the Camper from the program immediately.

I have read the above policy set forth by the Branford Parks and Recreation Department Staff and agree that I will abide by all the rules and regulations set forth. I will conduct myself in an appropriate manner and know that I am responsible for my behavior and actions. I also agree to abide by all rules and regulations set forth by the establishments that we visit and the transportation companies used.

Printed Name of Camper:

Signature of Camper:

Date: _____

Transportation Permission Slip 2025

Branford Parks & Recreation Teen Travel Adventures Program 46 Church Street, Branford, CT. 06405

Dear Parents,

As part of the Branford Parks & Recreation Teen Travel Adventure Program, your child will be traveling via school bus this year. Each child will need a signed permission slip on file with us. Please refer to your Teen Travel Adventure Itinerary for more information on departure times and locations.

Please sign and return this form with your Teen Travel Adventure forms.

By signing below, you grant permission for your child: ________to participate in the following field trips offered by the Branford Recreation Parks & Recreation Department Summer Teen Adventure Program and be transported by First Student Bus Company.

Child's Name:	Birthdate:
Address:	Town:
Parents/Guardian Name:	/

Date	Location	Initials	Check is your child will attending this activity
07-1-2025	Tree Trails, Mystic, CT		
07-08-2025	Codeword Escape Puzzle Room & Lunch Wallingford, CT		
07-10-2025	Supercharged Oakdale, CT		
07-15-2025	Lake Quassy, Middlefield, CT		
07-17-2025	CT Watersports, New Milford, CT		
07-22-2025	Six Flags New England, Agawam, MA		
07-24-2025	Ocean Beach, New London, CT		
07-29-2025	Brownstone Discovery Park, Portland, CT		



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Sunscreen Permission:



Appropriate sunscreen use is important to prevent skin damage and sunburn. If you child is able to apply his or her own sunscreen, we strongly suggest that they do so prior to coming to camp. We will remind them to re-apply their sunscreen throughout the day. Parents are strongly encouraged to apply sunscreen to their child(ren) each day prior to arrival at camp. In addition, parents are asked to provide sunscreen clearly labeled camper name. The Branford Parks and Recreation Department does not provide sunscreen. If requested and authorized, staff will assist in applying parent/guardian provided sunscreen as a courtesy and in the best interest of your child.

The Branford Parks and Recreation Department's policy on applying sunscreen is as follows: Each child will apply parent-provided sunscreen to his/her skin personally. When necessary and as requested by a parent/guardian, a Branford Parks and Recreation Staff member will assist a child that may be unable to personally apply his/her own sunscreen on only the exposed parts of the child's skin and, when possible, while another staff member.

Parent/Guardians, please check the appropriate statement below: Choose one.

Camper's Name:	

My child may need help applying his or her sunscreen. Please circle one: YES or NO

Sunscreen Application:

□ *I GIVE PERMISSION* for the Branford Parks & Recreation Camp Staff to assist/administer parent provided sunscreen to the above-name child, in accordance with the policy above. (Please provide sunscreen (no spray) clearly labeled with your child's first and last name. I, as the parent of legal guardian of the above-named child agree that a Branford Parks and Recreation staff member may supervise the application of sunscreen on my child, and when necessary, may actually apply sunscreen on the exposed parts on my child'skin.

□ I have read the above policy and *I DO NOT GIVE PERMISSION* for the Branford Parks and Recreation camp staff to assist/administer sunscreen to the above-named child.

Parent/Guardian (Print Name)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date:

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