

🎵 **NEMC's Weekly Note** 🎵
Core 2024: Week 1

Hello Families! Welcome to **Weekly Note**! Please find important information including links you will need throughout the session, including information pertaining to live-streaming for performances, weekly photos, POPS Concert, Family Weekend, and more!

What's Been Happening Around Camp!

NEMC Core Session is officially underway! We are thrilled to share an update on the exciting activities our campers have been involved in over the past few days. Following orientation on Saturday, campers had a wonderful time partaking in the traditional contra dance led by our counselors. On Sunday, campers auditioned for their performance groups (group lists can be found [HERE!](#)), followed by an afternoon of rehearsals and swim tests. In the evening, campers were welcomed by a wonderful performance by our talented faculty. After the faculty welcome recital, campers participated in Dual Cabin, including icebreakers and campfires. Today, classes kicked off Monday, and later that day brought the excitement of Camper Games. We look forward to sharing additional highlights next weekend!

Mail & Packages

We encourage all families to send mail and packages to their campers. It is important to label all mail correctly so we can get it to your campers! Please use the following format:

Camper Name
C/O NEMC
8 Goldenrod Lane
Sidney, ME 04330

Live-streaming for Concerts and Recitals

NEMC will live-stream all of our free weekly recitals and concerts. This summer, please note that our faculty and camper recitals are on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm. Weekend concert information is as follows:

Symphonic Groups: Saturday, July 6; Friday, July 13; Saturday, July 20; Saturday July 27

Concert Groups: Friday, July 5; Friday, July 13; Friday, July 19; Friday, July 26

Can't make it to our performances? You still can enjoy the music— all live-streaming is done through our YouTube page. You can see our upcoming performances under "Live."

[**Subscribe to us on YouTube!**](#)

Weekly Photos

Each week, we will upload photos from the various activities happening around campus. We will include links to each week in our weekly newsletters, links can also be found under the "Camp Info" dropdown on the NEMC website. Please know that we do our best to snap photos of all the campers, but not everyone may show up each week. Thank you for understanding!

You can access this [week's photos here.](#)

The 44th POPS Concert!

Now is your chance to sponsor your camper's group and have your family listed in the program! All POPS sponsor and patron donations are due by **12pm on July 2!**

[BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!](#)

Each summer, NEMC presents over 20 free concerts and recitals. Our only ticketed performance, the annual Pops Concert, during family weekend, serves as an important fundraiser to benefit NEMC programming and scholarship. Proceeds from ticket sales, raffles, and supporter sponsorship go directly to NEMC and ensure the continued strength of our camp program. Music Patrons (\$50-\$99) will be recognized by name in the POPS program and listed in our Annual Donors Report. Music Sponsors (\$100 or more) are recognized by name in the POPS program as a supporter of a specific performing group and listed in our Annual Donors Report.

Family Weekend Information

Guidelines:

Please RSVP [here!](#)

In order to assure the safety of our entire camp family, we ask that everyone visiting this weekend please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Guests must check in at the office each time they arrive at camp daily.
- Every guest must wear a visitor name tag when on campus.
- Please do not enter any of the camper living areas at any time.

Travel Tips and Accommodations:

Traveling to Maine in the summer can be very busy. Due to traffic on the highways in MA, NH, and Southern Maine, we recommend leaving early. Here is a list of [local accommodations](#) within twenty minutes of camp.

Schedule:

Friday, July 12

8:00am - 12:45pm - Join your campers for classes and rehearsals

12:00pm - 1:30pm - BBQ lunch

1:30pm - 2:30pm - Rest hour

2:30pm - 4:30pm - Open recreational activities, canoe trips, waterfront open

4:30pm - 5:30pm - Canteen open!

5:30pm - 7:00pm - All families are asked to leave campus in order for campers to prepare for dinner and the recital! We will have a list of great restaurant spots to recommend!

7:30pm - Camper Honor Recital - Alumni Hall

** Campers may be signed off campus with their families after their last class. ALL campers MUST be back on campus by 7:00pm. Campers may not be signed out or in during rest hour (1:30-2:30pm).

Saturday, July 13

11:00am - 12:30pm - Family brunch - The Lodge

12:30pm - 1:30pm - NEMC Administrative Team Q&A (Campers will be at rest hour at this time!)

1:30pm - 3:30pm - Open recreational activities, canoe trips, waterfront open

3:30pm - All families are asked to leave campus. POPS Concert sound checks begin.
7:30pm - 44th Annual POPS Concert - Bowl in the Pines - **TICKETED EVENT, BUY TICKETS HERE!** Be sure to purchase your tickets ahead of time, as the cost increases the day of POPS.

This Concert will feature ALL NEMC campers in combined groups this summer. The POPS Concert will also feature acclaimed pianist Jeffrey Biegel and the Rhapsody Initiative, where he will be presenting "Rhapsody in Red, White & Blue." The piece is being performed by 54 orchestras in all 50 states to mark the centennial of the George Gershwin classic "Rhapsody in Blue." The NEMC Symphony Orchestra will be the MAINE orchestra in this exciting initiative!

** Campers may be signed off campus with their families after 11:00am. ALL campers MUST be back on campus by 3:15pm for sound checks. Parents should plan to be off campus from 3:30-6:30pm.

Phone Schedule

Campers will be permitted to use the camp phone starting Monday. You can expect a call during these times:

- **Monday and Wednesday:** Junior Cabins (Towne, Wade, Sault)
- **Tuesday and Thursday:** Senior Cabins (Dorms)
- **Friday through Sunday:** All Campers

Campers may not make calls during any class or scheduled activity or after 7:15pm, except in case of an emergency and then only with the authorization of a head counselor or camp directors.