

Camp Manito-wish Information 2023

Dear Upper School Parents,

With our annual Camp Manito-wish experience fast approaching, I am writing to provide important information so you and your student can be fully prepared for the trip. This information and more will be provided at the Manito-wish Parent Meeting on Thursday, August 17, at 6:00pm in the Theatre. The trip this year is scheduled to include students in grades 9-12. I hope you will make it a priority to attend that meeting, but in any case I ask that you carefully note the following details.

Required Preparatory Tasks

- In PowerSchool:
 - Initial the Manito-wish waiver.
 - Complete the Health Physical Form. Your student's health physical must be current. The School requires a health physical every 2 years. [Click here](#) for the Health Physical Form.
 - List over the counter and prescription medication on the PowerSchool Health Page. [Click here](#) for Medication Information/Instructions. [Click here](#) for the Prescription Medication Form.
- Deliver to the Health Office all medication, prescription or over-the-counter, no later than Monday, August 14. Medication must be in the original container bearing the student's name. Contact Julianne Smith with health-related questions. jsmith@prairieschool.com.

Travel and Packing

- On **Monday, August 21**, students should arrive outside the Johnson Athletic Center at **8:00 a.m.** so we can ensure a timely departure and arrive at camp in time for scheduled afternoon activities.
- We will return on **Thursday, August 24, at approximately 8:00 p.m.** Please be courteous and arrive ahead of time for pick-up, so faculty chaperones do not have to wait with students.
- Students may not board the bus with open beverage containers. This includes soda bottles/cans, coffee mugs, sports drinks, water bottles, etc. Your student may bring a BPA-free water bottle (such as Nalgene), but it must be empty.
- On the trip to Manito-wish, we will stop at a rest area for lunch, but food services will not be available so students must bring a bag lunch. Your student's bag lunch may include an unopened, commercially sealed beverage.
- Faculty members may inspect luggage before departure or upon arrival at Manito-wish.
- Your student needs camp-worthy, weather-ready attire and supplies for the Manito-wish experience. The temperature and weather conditions can vary greatly and all activities will go on, regardless. Please borrow or purchase items as needed so your student can be comfortable and protected. [Click here](#) for the Manito-wish Packing List.
- Upon our arrival at Manito-wish, students will relinquish all phones and electronic devices for the duration of the Manito-wish experience. We will return their devices after we leave camp on Friday. Students should not bring their school-issued Chromebooks. Students who wish to take pictures must bring a camera separate from their phone or other devices; we recommend disposable cameras.

● **We will not stop for a meal on the trip home.** Manito-wish will provide snacks for the trip, but you may want to have something substantive for your student to eat upon their return. I hope to see you at the Manito-wish Parent Meeting on Thursday, August 17, and thank you in advance for your cooperation with all the necessary preparations. As a wonderful start to our year, we are excited to return to camp with the Upper School student body and hope your student has a fun and productive experience there.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Mari Grobschmidt". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "M" and a long, sweeping underline.

Mari Grobschmidt
Head of Upper School