



Tabor Academy Summer Program

Experience a summer by the sea full of friends, sports, and learning!



Camp Philosophy

Above all else, camp is about fun. Summer provides you the opportunity to try new things and challenge yourself. It is also a chance to become part of our community that is built upon the following cornerstones:

RESPECT How can you contribute positively to the community as a whole? It all starts with treating everyone with respect, or how you'd like to be treated.

COMMUNITY You know there's no "I" in team, right? Well, there isn't one in camp either. We're all in this together from Camp Director Pardo to the counselors to the older kids, all the way down to you sixes and sevens. When we work together, we learn from each other, and that's where we find those friendships that endure.

CARING Looking out for one another is the right way to live! Tending to others in our community builds lasting friendships and shows us that what goes around comes around.

GROWTH So much time in our everyday lives is scheduled into routines of school and activities, but summer should be the time for growth. Explore, find wonder in new people and the amazing marine settings here at TASP. Don't worry about making mistakes, just give something new an honest try. Your "camp family" will be here to guide you or pick you up if you fall.

CONNECTIONS How does someone from halfway around the world joke with someone who lives just down the block from Tabor's campus? During the summer months, it is all about discovering where other campers are from, how they live, and what makes them laugh out loud. After six weeks you realize how small the world is and how much we have in common.

JOY When the other values of our community are embraced and you find pleasure seeing a sunset or laughing around the dinner table, that warm feeling of satisfaction and happiness speaks to you all day long.



CALENDAR





Welcome!



Welcome to stunning Sippican Harbor and the Tabor Academy Summer Program (TASP). I hope you will join us in our ninety-year tradition of learning and playing on Tabor's unique seaside campus. By choosing from our engaging activities and courses, you will create an unforgettable summer.

At TASP you will enjoy the company of people from all over the US and the world. You will learn new skills, appreciate new activities, and discover new aspects of yourself. A supportive staff will encourage you to explore, grow, and challenge yourself throughout the summer. By the program's end, you may have made a new friend from Greece, mastered sailing, or simply learned to love being part of a community.

Please enjoy our view book; I believe the offerings of the Tabor Academy Summer Program will captivate your imagination. A summer of friends, new experiences, and learning awaits you on the shores of Sippican Harbor.

Noel Pardo

DIRECTOR, TABOR SUMMER PROGRAM



LEARN MORE AT: www.taboracademy.org/summer





The heart of TASP's community is you—the kids. From distant countries and from down the street, around 580 children call Tabor their home-away-from-home in the summer. Both residential and day campers share the fun.



Program Options

6 & 7-year-old Program

Fun and teamwork are the wind in the sails of TASP's program for you "Sixes & Sevens." In the mornings, our counselors meet you at the Tabor Oval and lead various activities. To balance the heat of energetic outdoor play, you'll spend some time in air-conditioned comfort having fun with language, drama, and art. You'll finish up the morning with a crafts-making session before pick-up at 1:00. (Space is limited to 30 campers, so apply early!)

Day Program

About 210 day campers invade Tabor's Summer Program every morning. First, you will check in with your day group counselor before heading to activities. Many day campers come to think of their advisors as big brothers or sisters; they'll be the first and last instructors you'll see each day. Lunch with friends at Tabor's dining hall, then join our intra-program teams — Port (red) and Starboard (green) — for fun competitions. At the day's close, you will check out with your advisor.





While our full catalog is available online at taboracademy.org/summer, some of our unique offerings include:

THE OCEANS PROGRAM

Tabor Academy is called “the school by the sea” for a number of reasons. First is the obvious – the waves of Sippican harbor lap the shores of campus. Second is our commitment to the study of marine science and the oceans. Our state-of-the-art Mann Center is so close to the water, it was designed to allow a hurricane’s storm surge to wash right through. If you’re into exploring the ocean’s plants and animals, these activities are for you. We offer 6 different classes designed for all ages of campers from our introductory “Coastal Critters” to independent studies. You may go on whale watches, visit the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute (WHOI), or work in our saltwater tanks.



ECLECTIC COURSES

You won’t find these classes at school! Here, you’ll have the chance to delve into such subjects as codebreaking, magazine publication, graphic novels (comic books!), movie making, military history, photography, and the computer programming language of “scratch.”



In addition to enrichment classes, we recognize that some of you need some time to work on language and testing skills. To that end, we offer more traditional classes in English as a Second Language (ESL) and SSAT prep.



The Tabor Summer Program

Essential Information



STAFF

Professional teachers and college students who love working with children comprise our staff. All instructors undergo thorough training and work hard to make Tabor a great home for July and August. During the off-season, we spend countless hours visiting universities and interview the best possible candidates to guide your children's summer experience. We have chosen staff from these and other leading institutions: Bates, Colby, Amherst, Williams, Holy Cross, University of Vermont, Wellesley, and Columbia.

DIRECTOR – NOEL PARDO



Since 1995, Noel has served Tabor Academy in a variety of roles: teacher, coach, admissions officer, and technologist. As a father and dorm parent, Noel has the pleasure of watching his three children grow up in a rich and diverse environment. He holds an MBA from Babson and a BA in history from Holy Cross.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

TASP uses Tabor's modern, 14-bed health center. A local pediatricians' office provides further support, and the surrounding area offers two excellent hospitals for emergency care: Tobey Hospital in Wareham and St. Luke's in New Bedford. Our wonderful nursing staff is on call 24 hours, 7 days a week.





DAILY SCHEDULE

7:00	Rising for residential program
7:30	Breakfast — buffet
8:30 – 8:40	Morning Assembly for full program
8:50 – 9:50	Period A
10:00 – 11:00	Period B
11:10 – 12:10	Period C
12:10 – 1:00	Lunch
1:00	½ Day Program Pickup
1:00 – 2:20	Rest Period
2:20	Assembly
2:40 – 3:40	Period D
3:50 – 4:50	Period E
5:00	Full Day Program Pickup Clean up – dormitory time
6:00	Dinner – family style
6:45 – 7:00	Evening meeting
7:00 – 9:00	Evening activities
9:00 – 10:00	Lights out depending on age



“Emma told us that she cried on the airplane because she already missed you and the new friends she had made during this summer. She is already talking about next year at Tabor Academy. She has brought back wonderful memories of her summer at Tabor and we hope that she will cherish this great experience for her life.”

FROM A PARENT

MISSION STATEMENT

TASP strives to provide each camper with a myriad of opportunities to explore both the world around them and themselves in a unique seaside environment. Campers establish strong connections with each other and learn the values of collaboration and respect in a summer community.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT

1. To provide opportunities that stimulate the development of each camper's self-esteem.
2. To help all campers appreciate their natural surroundings and take active roles in the stewardship of our environment.
3. To provide situations for campers to set goals and challenge themselves while discovering their individual skills and abilities.
4. To allow each child to experience and participate in group living.



WE VALUE: Community
Growth
Fun/Joy/Smiles
Caring
Respect
Connections



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Located in the town of Marion in southeastern Massachusetts, Tabor Academy stretches along a half-mile of Sippican Harbor on Buzzards Bay leading to the Atlantic Ocean. The campus is about 60 miles southeast of Boston and about 40 miles east of Providence, Rhode Island.

Tabor Academy is an independent boarding school for grades 9-12. Please direct inquiries to the Admissions Office at 508.291.8300 or visit www.taboracademy.org



This camp must comply with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CMR 430.000) and be licensed by the Marion Board of Health. Information on Massachusetts Regulation 105 CMR 430 can be obtained by calling 617-624-5757.