

Welcome to Cursive Camp 2024!

The staff and volunteers of the Danbury Museum are looking forward to exploring cursive writing, through fun activities with your campers! As you get ready to enjoy the half-day camp with us, we wanted to go over a few fun facts and answer our most frequently asked questions.

Suggested items to bring with you to camp each day:

String bag or backpack
A refillable water bottle
A small nut free/allergen safe snack
Enthusiasm, energy, and excitement for cursive learning!

Drop-off: you may drop off your camper as early as 8:45am. Camp begins promptly at 9am. Please walk them to the main door of Huntington Hall (the glass door in the modern brick building). We will ask you to sign them in and provide information on which parent/guardian will be picking them up that day. You can either leave then or, if you'd like, walk back into the main hall and check out where your camper will be seated, and, Tuesday – Friday, admire the finished projects from the day before (hopefully dry and ready to bring home!) and check out their progress in their cursive folder.

Pickup: Camp ends at 11:30am each day. You may start arriving for pickup beginning at 11:15am, please come inside the hall to sign out your camper and retrieve any projects that are ready to go home! All campers must be picked up by 11:45am. If you are running late or there has been an unexpected challenge preventing you from picking your child up at the designated time, please call us, as soon as possible, at 203-743-5200.

Please note: we appreciate your patience at pickup and drop-off and will make every effort to have the process go quickly and smoothly.

<u>Snacks & Drinks:</u> we will have a snack time about 10am each day, please send your child with a light, nut free, snack. Due to allergy concerns we discourage the sharing of snacks. Please send your child with a refillable water bottle. If your child drains their water bottle we are happy to help them refill from the museum tap in our kitchen.

<u>Sunscreen & Bug Spray:</u> we will be venturing into the Danbury Museum's historic buildings, under the big tent at the back of the property, and spending time in our historic gardens, all on the 43 Main Street site. We will not be applying sunscreen or bug spray to your child. If you'd like them to wear sunscreen or bug spray, please apply at home.

Bathrooms: the Danbury Museum has two unisex bathrooms in Huntington Hall. Each bathroom is single occupancy and the door locks from the inside. Please review common bathroom etiquette with your child before camp. We appreciate when campers do not over use toilet paper and paper towels, the flushing of the toilet and, most importantly, the washing of hands!

<u>Volunteers:</u> it takes a village...to run Cursive Camp. In addition to the Danbury Museum staff, we have several college interns, high school students, and retired educator volunteers, who are generously giving their time and talents towards making this a wonderful experience for our campers.

<u>Organization of Campers:</u> the majority of our time each day will be spent in Huntington Hall, though we will be visiting the historic buildings, garden, and tent for activities throughout the week. We will be working in a large group format at Cursive Camp. However, we recognize that this camp has a wide range of camper ages in attendance and we are planning to separate, by age, our students to help facilitate their learning process.

Attire: This camp is messy. We use paint, glitter, ink, markers, shaving cream, food coloring, etc., during each day at Cursive Camp. In all likelihood your camper will return to you with colorful hands and possibly more than a little messy. We do not encourage, nor will we be able to facilitate, a change in outfit during the camp day. If your camper is mess averse, please send them wearing a smock or an overly large shirt to cover their outfit.

<u>Personal Electronic Devices:</u> We discourage bringing personal electronic devices to camp. The Danbury Museum is not responsible for the loss of a device, or any damage to a personal electronic device, that is brought to camp. If we see a camper using a personal electronic device during camp time we will not confiscate it, but we will expect the camper to follow our directions to immediately place the device in their backpack, string bag, or pocket.