



CAMP KIDSTON

Welcome to Kidston!

Nestled in the northeastern corner of the Halifax Regional Municipality, Camp Kidston offers a scenic outdoor venue that is perfect for your group's next adventure!

Camp Kidston is located on over 450 acres of land surrounding Long Lake, just outside of Middle Musquodoboit. Opportunities to explore the natural world are endless with access to nature trails, lakes, wetlands, and a private beachfront.

As an accredited member of the Camping Association of Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island (CANSPEI), Camp Kidston has been building meaningful outdoor experiences for children and youth for more than 50 years. We are able to accommodate a wide variety of requests and look forward to welcoming your group soon!





Rentals and Facilitated Programs at Camp Kidston

Flexible options to support your event

Facility Use Only

Provides access to our grounds and buildings, including the main lodge, washhouse, staffhouse, and cabins. Perfect for groups who have their own program planned! Camp Kidston can provide food service upon request.

Facilitated Programs

Day and overnight programs facilitated by our staff, sharing the best of what Camp Kidston has to offer! We work with you to build an activity schedule that meets your group's interests and goals.

Questions? Please reach out - we are happy to accommodate custom events and requests!



Facilities & Features



The main lodge and dining hall can comfortably hold 75 people for meals and activities. Our industrial kitchen is stocked with all necessary cookware and dishware.

The main lodge also includes two family washrooms and an indoor program space.



Our washhouse includes ten toilets, sinks, and showers - perfect for accommodating large groups.



A private beachfront, swimming area, and canoe/kayak launch provide easy access to Long Lake.



Plenty of outdoor activity spaces are ready for exploring, including two large playing fields, a gaga ball pit, a campfire circle, a hammock hangout, and kilometres of nature trails!



Overnight Accommodations

Our **five rustic cabins** sleep 92 people in bunk beds. Each cabin is separated into two large rooms (15-16 bunks) and a smaller room in the middle (4 bunks), ideal for accommodating a variety of groups (individual families, chaperones and youth, etc.).

Our **staffhouse** sleeps 12 people in six bedrooms (12 twin beds), and 2-4 additional people can sleep on fold-out beds if desired. The staffhouse is also equipped with two bathrooms, a family-size kitchen, and a common space perfect for retreats, meetings, or other small group events.

In the winter months, large groups may opt to sleep additional people in the main lodge on cots/mattresses.

Adventure camping options are also available – 11 campsites are accessible by foot (300m to 1km hike) or by canoe (500m to 3km paddle).

Dates

Camp Kidston is available for group rentals from September through June.

Please note that our cabins are not heated, and therefore only suggested for use during September, October, May, and June. The staffhouse, washhouse, and main lodge are heated and available year-round.



Helpful Information

Fee Structure

Facility Use Only:

\$12/person/night

Facilitated Program (incl. food service):

1-night trip \$85/person | **2-night trip** \$120/person

Food service can be added to a *Facility Use Only* rental for an extra charge.

Facilitated Programs are subject to the following requirements:

*Minimum # of Students: 20 / Maximum # of Students: 62

Chaperones

A minimum of 1 parent/volunteer/teacher/EA per 10 students is required.

Weather

Our programs run rain or shine - be ready to embrace the weather!

What to Bring

Camp Kidston will provide a detailed packing list for teachers and students.

COVID-19

Rental groups are responsible for ensuring they adhere to all government regulations and requirements, as outlined at www.novascotia.ca/coronavirus.

If your organization has additional COVID-19 protocols in place, please reach out to discuss how we can best accommodate you.



CAMP KIDSTON

We believe in...

The power of play
Joining together
The beauty of diversity
Warm welcomes
The value of challenge
Trying new things
Everyday celebrations
Lifelong growth
Fresh starts
Learning from each other
The healing power of nature
Dirty hands and smiling faces



Sample Schedule

7:45 Polar Bear Dip
8:30 Breakfast
9:30 Activity Block 1
10:30 Snack
10:45 Activity Block 2
12:00 Lunch & Chill Time
1:30 Swim
3:00 Snack
3:15 Activity Block 3
4:15 Free Choice
5:00 Supper
6:00 Camp-wide Game
7:00 Campfire & S'Mores
8:00 Evening Activity
9:00 Wind Down for Bed

Facilitated Program Options Include...

- Canoeing
- Sports & Games
- Low Elements
- Wilderness Skills
- Arts & Crafts
- Guided Hikes & Environmental Education
- And more!

Reserve your Spot!

Overnight Rentals & Facilitated Programs are booked on a first-come, first-serve basis.

To book:

- Please contact Janice Noble, Executive Director, at rentals@campkidston.com with your top two choices of dates.
- We will follow-up with confirmation and additional information to help make your trip a success!
- Camp Kidston requires a signed program/rental agreement, proof of liability insurance (available from school/organization administration), and a 20% booking deposit to confirm an overnight booking.

Questions?

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Travel time:

- From Middle Musquodoboit: 15m
- From Milford: 30m
- From Truro: 1h
- From Downtown Halifax or New Glasgow: 1h15m





You invest in youth when you book with Camp Kidston

When you book your event at Camp Kidston, you are helping to support youth and families in your community. 80-90% of our revenue goes directly to support youth recreational, leadership, and employment activities. Our "No Camper Left Behind" policy means that campers don't miss out because of their financial circumstances. By booking at Kidston this year, you will help hundreds of campers to step away from daily stressors and social media, to learn about themselves, and to build positive connections with the people and the world around them.

Kidston is a non-profit organization and a registered charity, operated by a volunteer Board of Directors.

Rent Camp Kidston For...

- Youth groups
- Guides, Scouts, and Cadets
- Team-building and leadership programs
- School groups, student councils, and sports teams
- Conferences, meetings, and workshops
- Professional retreats
- Weddings and reunions