

Frequently Asked Questions

What makes Kurn Hattin unique?

- **Kurn Hattin is a charitable organization.** Parents/Guardians pay only what they can to support their child's tuition.
- **Children remain in their parents' (or guardian's) custody.** Kurn Hattin provides services to help the family heal, so that they can be reunited whenever possible.
- **Kurn Hattin is open year-round** and offers on-campus housing, sports camps, and recreational activities through the summer months.
- Our **280-acre campus** includes a school, a working farm and horse stable, a gymnasium, recreation center, outdoor pool, ballfields, and hiking trails.

What states do the children come from?

Students come from across the Northeast including Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maine, Rhode Island, New Jersey, and New York.

Where do children live?

Children live in comfortable residential cottages with nine or ten others in their age group. Two or three children share a bedroom. Children can arrange their furniture, decorate with posters or pictures from home, and bring toys, a radio, and other items that will make their room feel comfortable. A full-time houseparent provides caring supervision in each cottage.

How often can I visit?

Our staff will work with you to decide what's best for you and your child. Kurn Hattin can provide help with transportation and housing arrangements on campus during campus visits, and you may keep in touch with phone calls between visits.

What if my child gets sick?

Our Wellness Center staff provides care for common illnesses and injuries. A child's family continues to be responsible for regular physicals, eye and dental exams, and immunizations.

What is the school like?

Class sizes are small (8:1), and students are grouped according to academic level rather than by grade, allowing them to feel both challenged and successful. The farm provides hands-on lessons as part of the science curriculum. Students also participate in extra-curricular activities, including band, choir, horseback riding, arts and crafts, and competitive and intramural sports.

What happens after graduation?

Many graduates return home and attend public high school. When this is not possible, we work with the family to find placement in a residential school with a mission similar to Kurn Hattin's. Our Family Outreach Coordinator maintains contact and supports children and families after graduation.

How do I apply?

We would be happy to discuss your child's and your family's needs. For more information, or to schedule a visit, please call Crystal Card, Admissions Coordinator, at ccard@kurnhattin.org or call (802) 721-6925.