

The Wediko School

(Residential Treatment Center)

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PROGRAM OUTLINE

Gender: Boys Only
 Ages: 9 to 21
 Grades: K to 12
 Enrollment: 50
 Duration: 3 month minimum, 12 month average
 Founded: 1989



NATSAP

Member Since: 2005



Airport: Manchester, Boston

Located on a 450-acre lake-front campus, the Wediko School offers therapeutic and educational services for boys ages 10 to 18, (licensed 6 to 21) in a safe, therapeutic, and educational environment. Wediko clinicians work closely with the student's family and referring professional with the goal of returning the child to his home and community, or a less restrictive school, as soon as possible.

Wediko works with students who are struggling with complex psychiatric profiles and disruptive behaviors. Often, students do not fit neatly under the criteria of a specific diagnosis or they have been diagnosed with multiple disorders, including, but not limited to:

- Bipolar Disorders
- Depression & Depressive Disorders
- Anxiety Disorders
- Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder (ADHD or ADD)
- Reactive Attachment Disorder
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Asperger's Disorder
- Non-Verbal Learning Disorder (NVLD)

Wediko's therapeutic and educational milieu is the primary intervention. The core of the milieu is the Wediko staff, clinicians, and teachers who develop strong relationships with each student, focus on the student's strengths, and use positive behavioral interventions to teach and reinforce prosocial coping strategies.

Individualized treatment plans for each student include: school, daily group therapy, family therapy, psychopharmacological evaluations, and visits home to practice skills learned at Wediko. Additional options may include, individual therapy, psychological and educational testing, and issue specific group therapy.

Collaboration between all the important adults in the child's life (family, school, and referring professional, therapist, mentor, etc.) ensures everyone understands and is in agreement on how to best help the child and what he and the family needs for a successful transition home. Families are essential partners in the therapeutic process. Family therapy is family centered and individualized to meet the needs of each family.

Summer Program (Coed): Since 1934, Wediko has offered an intensive short-term residential treatment program from July 5 to August 18.

Individual Counseling Available: Yes

Accreditation, Licensure: SEVIS; Department of Education: New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Illinois, New Jersey, New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services; on an individual basis: Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Virginia.

Professional Affiliations: NATSAP-Full Member; Independent Small Programs Alliance (ISPA), Massachusetts Association of 766 Approved Private Schools (MAAPS)