

**DATE:** May 14, 2024  
**FROM:** Dillo Day 2024  
**SUBJECT:** Dillo Day Reminders

Dear Students,

As we gear up for [Dillo Day](#), I want to share my gratitude for this annual opportunity to celebrate and create lasting memories as a Northwestern campus community. Each of you deserves to enjoy the festivities on Saturday with your fellow Wildcats, and this day would not have been possible without the long hours, late nights and dedication of Mayfest.

The resilience and unity of our Northwestern community is more important than ever. While we celebrate on the Lakefill, it's important to remember the importance of making responsible choices. We all have a role to play in ensuring the safety and well-being of ourselves and our classmates. Please look out for one another, make smart decisions, and prioritize your health and safety throughout the festival.

For those attending Dillo Day, here are some last-minute tips from our [Smart Dillo Trail Guide](#).

### **Review your packing list**

- [Pick up your wristbands](#) from Seabury Hall at 2122 Sheridan Road by May 17.  
**Wristbands cannot be picked up on the day of Dillo.**
- Campus shuttles will be operating on their regular Saturday schedules. Use rideshare apps for reliable transportation throughout the day. The [Safe Ride](#) and [NUGuardian](#) apps are resources for those walking alone at night.
- Familiarize yourself with [what you can and cannot bring](#). Permitted items include clear bags, fanny packs, small clutches, empty plastic water bottles, sunscreen (non-aerosol), and compact blankets, sheets, and towels. Prohibited items include recording equipment, glass containers, outside beverages, hammocks, umbrellas, weapons, and tents and other shade-making devices

### **Important day-of reminders**

- Festival gates open at 11:30 a.m. and music begins at 12:30 p.m. Attendees will enter through the main entrance of the Dillo Village, located on the East Lawn of Norris.
- Handheld metal detectors will be in use at the entrance, and all bags will be searched. Please allow more time for entry due to [security measures](#). Attendees who have questions or who wish to request accommodations for the screening process can contact [dilloopsforce@gmail.com](mailto:dilloopsforce@gmail.com) or call 847.467.3719.
- Special promotions and activities will occur throughout the day in Dillo Village, with exclusive giveaways starting at 1:00 p.m. Campers can stop by Sprite Chill, Magnolia Screen Printing, the photo booth, and so much more!
- For the most up-to-date information, visit the [Dillo Day website](#) and follow [@dillo\\_day](#) on Instagram. For other questions about Dillo Day, email [dilloday@u.northwestern.edu](mailto:dilloday@u.northwestern.edu), and for accessibility or mobility accommodation requests, email [dillocommunity@gmail.com](mailto:dillocommunity@gmail.com).

### **Head to the mess hall early and often**

- Free bagels will be available from 7 to 10 a.m. while supplies last in three locations: Emerson & Sherman (grass in front of Willard); Sheridan & Noyes (Southeast Corner); and Maple & Foster (Englehart Parking Lot).\*
- Free pizza will be available in the Dillo Village within the festival grounds beginning at 1 p.m., while supplies last.

- Food trucks will be in the Dillo Village for the duration of the festival, and Norris dining options will operate on the traditional Saturday schedule.
- Late-night breakfast will be served at Sargent from 9 p.m. to midnight. Students on a meal plan can use a meal swipe, and guests or students without a meal plan can pay \$12.43 via credit/debit at the door.

### **Stay hydrated with water from our natural springs**

- Water stations will be available within festival grounds\* and in Firemen's Park in Evanston.
- Bring your own reusable water bottle or grab a free one as you cross the bridge into Dillo Village. Reusable water bottles must be empty upon entering the venue and remember to recycle any disposable bottles/cans.

### **Secure footing is key to remaining safe on any hike**

- Respect trail markers by staying on the ground and off of roofs, and don't explore the rocks on the lake.

### **Track your drinks and let BAC serve as your compass**

- Reduce negative outcomes by setting a limit and keeping your BAC under .06. Utilize our [BAC estimator](#).
- Sasq-watch how much you add to your BORG. The safer approach is to add less alcohol and pace your drinking over time.
- The beer garden will be open from 12:30 to 8 p.m. for those 21 years of age and older.
  - A government-issued ID is required to enter, and both beverages and food will be available.
  - No beverages may leave the beer garden area and visitors may not pass beverages or purchase for others.

### **Know what you're taking and avoid blazing new trails**

- Mixing alcohol and drugs or trying something new can be risky. Substances including cocaine, ecstasy, and counterfeit pills [can be laced with fentanyl](#).

### **Send an SOS to camp counselors for help**

- For alcohol and drug use concerns, the [Amnesty Protocol](#) supports getting help for yourself or others. When you Call for help, Stay with the person until help arrives, and Cooperate with emergency or University personnel, you and anyone in need will not face conduct action.
- For support and assistance with non-life-threatening situations within festival grounds, you can also reach out to Mayfest's Student Intervention Service through the Dillo Day app or by looking for a team member wearing an orange vest.

### **Pack it in, pack it out! Keep your campsite clean and quiet**

- Respect the locals and [avoid common party violations](#) and fines ranging from \$500-\$1,000 by cleaning up trash and keeping noise levels down. If you host a gathering, public sidewalks, parkways and neighboring areas must be clean by 10 a.m. Sunday.
- Join the Off-Campus Life team on Sunday for [post Dillo Day clean up](#). Volunteers will meet at 2122 Sheridan at 8 a.m. Gloves, garbage bags and free breakfast will be provided.

### **When nature calls, head to a portable toilet or restroom**

- Public urination disturbs the local wildlife and can lead to hefty fines. Use the portable restrooms located within the festival grounds and in Firemen's Park.

Please remember to take care of yourselves and your fellow campers. We hope you have a great time at Camp Dillo and can't wait to celebrate with you!

Sincerely,

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