

**African Americans in the Making of Early New England  
2017 Creature Comforts**

Our workshop website is: <https://afam-workshop.deerfield-ma.org/>

You will find all of the following information on it in the “Forms & Info” section, along with a map of Old Deerfield.

**There is no public transportation to and from our workshop location, except for the airport shuttle, and the only store within walking distance is the lovely Historic Deerfield, Inc. Gift Shop; however they do not carry shaving cream, toothpaste, etc. If you are not staying at the Deerfield Inn or the Deerfield Academy dormitory, you might want to consider renting a car.**

There is a large parking lot in front of our Deerfield Teachers’ Center, which is also very close to the dormitory and the hall where our lectures will be held.

We will be spending quite a bit of time outside walking, not always on even ground. In New England this means you might want:

- insect repellent
- sun screen
- comfortable walking shoes
- an umbrella and/or other rain gear
- a hat
- a water bottle
- clothing for a range of temperatures inside and out

Summers can be quite humid, with temperatures in the 80's-90's; however evenings can be chilly so you may want to bring a sweater or light jacket. Casual attire is fine. Most of our workshop spaces and the dormitory are air-conditioned.

Our first meal together will be on Sunday. Breakfast, lunch, morning and afternoon snacks are provided for all participants every day and dinner is part of the schedule on Sunday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. These meal costs of \$145 will be deducted from your stipend. We will provide a list of restaurants that offer a delivery menu when you register on the first day of the workshop.

There is an ATM machine located in the Deerfield Inn. Please see the map of Old Deerfield on our workshop website for the location of the Deerfield Inn.

Wi-Fi and email are available in the area. We’ll have more information during registration.

Don't forget:

- your readings (including the books that we sent to you)
- cell phone & electronic chargers
- some extra spending money
- toiletries and medications

Optional:

- camera
- laptop, Tablet, etc.
- travel coffee mug
- a small pillow or stadium seat if hard seating is of concern to you

We'll provide hot and cold beverages (including coffee, tea, water, and soda) throughout the day. For those staying in the dorm, a kitchenette is also available in the student lounge and will be stocked with coffee and tea supplies.

There will be little time for independent sightseeing and shopping. You may extend your stay to continue exploring the area but the Deerfield Academy dormitory will not be available beyond the workshop week.

We discourage participants from bringing family members because this is an intensive residential professional development experience for K–12 educators.

Please let me know if there is anything that I can do to make your stay more comfortable.

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