

2015 SUMMER CAMP DIRECTORY: A FREE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR FAMILIES

WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS

Welcome to the 2015 Summer Camp Directory! Summer camp provides a unique opportunity for growth and development, and provides a period of summertime respite for parents and caregivers. The camp experience may be especially valuable for children who have special needs, as they can be isolated from some of the social experiences that other children take for granted.

The camps in this directory are organized alphabetically by county for camps in North Carolina, and alphabetically by state for camps outside the state. Each entry includes contact information for the camp, type of disability it serves, a description of camp activities, cost, and dates for 2015. We have also included a list of camps organized by specialty/condition.

This directory is a product of the Family Support Program at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Social Work. It is a resource for family members and service providers who are looking for summer camp experiences for children. The Family Support Program does not endorse any camp programs, including those listed in the directory.

Happy Camping!

Selecting a Camp

What to Look for in a Camp Program

If you are considering sending your child to a camp program, you will need to make some decisions concerning the type of camp experience that is most appropriate for your child. You can use this guide to gather some basic information about some camps which might be appropriate for children with special needs in North Carolina.

There are camps specifically for children with special needs and camps where children with special needs are included. You can choose a camp that best suits your child's abilities and interests. You may begin by considering whether you are looking for a day camp or a residential (overnight) camp.

Day Camps

Day camps usually offer a variety of recreational activities designed to promote your child's physical and mental well-being. Programs may run full days or half days, five days a week or several days a week, all summer or only a few weeks. Advance registration and a physical exam with complete medical history are usually required. Day camp activities typically include music, swimming, a variety of sports, arts and crafts, hobby clubs, and trips. Most camps accept children 5 years of age and older.

If a program is offered by your local community or municipal recreation department, a fee is often charged. Most private camps typically charge higher fees, although they may offer scholarships or fee reductions based on financial need.

Residential Camps

Residential camps are those in which your child may spend two days, two weeks, or an entire summer away from home. These programs provide a unique living experience for children. In addition to offering some of the same activities available at day camps, “sleep away” camps enable children to live together in cabins or tents under the supervision of qualified staff. A major emphasis of these programs is increasing the independence and self-help skills of each child. Most children are between the ages of 5 and 16.

Advance registration and a complete physical examination are usually required. Fees are generally charged; however, a scholarship program may be available.

Religious Affiliation

Some camps are religiously affiliated. Most of these welcome campers of all faiths. Camp staff can provide more information about camp philosophy and practices.

Suggested Questions

Once you have decided on the type of camp program (day or residential), you may use the list of questions below to help you decide which camp will best meet your child's needs and interests.

- How do you apply?
- What is the deadline for submitting applications?
- What are the camp's opening and closing dates?
- Are there clothing requirements and clothing checklists?
- Is transportation to and from the camp provided?
- Is the program designed for children with specific disabilities?
- Is the program accessible for children with physical disabilities?
- Does the American Camping Association (ACA) accredit the camp?
- Does the camp meet state and local health standards and regulations for the operation of day and residential camps?

General Information

Some general information can be obtained by visiting the camp's web site, requesting a brochure, calling the camp organization directly, or visiting the camp facility to get more specific answers to your questions. Parents can usually make appointments with camp directors in the spring.

Staff

- What are the criteria for selecting a counselor (i.e., what education or experience is required by the camp)?
- What are the counselors' duties?
- What is the ratio of counselors to children?
- Are counselors hired for short periods or for the entire summer?
- Does the staff include a nurse and a doctor?
- (For residential camps) How many counselors live in each of the cabins, tents, or bunkhouses?

Facilities

- What types of facilities are available?
- What is the overall condition of the facilities?
- Are the toilet and shower facilities adequate and accessible?
- (For residential camps) How many children are housed in campers' quarters?
- Is there a well-equipped infirmary on the premises?

Health Emergencies

- Is the camp insured?
- Is your child covered under that insurance policy?
- Is the doctor/nurse on duty 24 hours a day?
- Is there a hospital close by?

Activities

- What types of activities are offered?
- Are activities coordinated and designed according to the age or development of the child?
- Is the program flexible or is it highly structured and formal?

Fees

- Is there a fee?
- What is included with this fee? Does it cover transportation, meals, insurance, linens, laundry, special trips, entrance fees, canteen, health services, and use of equipment? Ask the camp director to itemize any services for which an additional fee is required.
- Is there a membership fee? (Must you join the sponsoring organization in order for your child to participate?)
- Are scholarships or fee reductions available?

Transportation

- What kind of transportation is provided?
- Is it door-to-door or group pick-up?
- Is a counselor or chaperone available to take care of your child while in transit?
- Do the vehicles meet state and local safety regulations for operation of vehicles that transport children?
- How long does your child have to travel to and from camp?
- For long trips, is there a bathroom on the bus?

Meals

- Are lunches provided by the day camp?
- Are the camp menus prepared by a dietitian?
- Are snacks provided during the day? What kind?
- Are special meals available if needed?

Note: Remember to advise camp personnel of any food allergies or special dietary needs that your child may have.

More Things to Remember about Camps

- Camp is intended to be fun, so you can expect it to be a bit messy!
- Remember the setting and make sure your child is appropriately dressed. Good sneakers are a must!
- It is a good idea to label all clothing.
- It is a good idea to keep an extra set of clothes at day camp. Some have cubbies or lockers for this purpose.
- Talk to your child's counselor about your child's likes and dislikes.
- Beware of overstuffing backpacks. They get heavy and can become a nuisance.

- Sunscreen!
- HAVE FUN!

Don't be afraid to ask questions. The more you and your child know, the better the camp experience will be. Sometimes the best references for a camp are previous campers. Camps should be able to provide references.

The preceding section on selecting a camp was adapted from materials prepared by the Department of Recreation and Leisure Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Additional Resources

The following agencies have offices in most counties in North Carolina, and they often sponsor camps or have information about camps. You can call them to find out about local camps.

- [Family Support Network™ programs](#)
- Arc chapters
- Churches, synagogues, other faith organizations
- Municipal and county parks and recreation departments
- Public and private schools' summer programs
- United Way
- YMCA, YWCA, YMHA, YWHA
- 4-H Clubs

[American Camping Association](#)

The American Camping Association (ACA) is a community of camp professionals who for nearly 100 years have joined together to share knowledge and experience and to ensure the quality of camp programs. The ACA accredits over 2,300 camps. ACA-accredited camps meet up to 300 standards for health, safety, and program quality. The purpose of ACA is to serve as a knowledge center; to educate camp owners and directors in the administration of camp operations, particularly program quality, health, and safety; and to assist the public in selecting camps that meet - industry--accepted and government-recognized standards. The ACA has an interactive Camp Database on their web site, where you can search accredited camps by specialty, interest area, affiliation, etc.

Other Resources

- [Association of Hole In The Wall Camps](#)
- [Allen's Guide](#)
- [The Camp Channel](#)
- [CampPage Summer Camp Directory](#)
- [CampResource.com](#)
- [DayCamps.net](#)

- [Disability Resources, Inc.](#)
- [goCamps.com](#)
- [Kids' Camps](#)
- [SummerCamps.com](#)
- [MySummerCamps.com](#)

Can't Find What You're Looking For?

Contact a Resource Specialist at 1.800.852.0042 or FSP.CDR@unc.edu

Camps listed by specialty/condition

This listing includes both residential and day camps. Please note that some camps may be listed in more than one category. For more information on each camp, please see the listing of summer camps organized by county.

Asthma

Camp Breathe Easy
Camp Coast

Autism

ABC School of Winston Salem
Camp Boomerang
Camp G.R.A.C.E.
Camp Holiday Trails
Camp Lakey Gap
Camp Royall
Camp Tikvah
Talisman Programs Summer Camp
Tristan's Quest

Developmental Disabilities/Delays

Camp Ann
Camp Escape
Camp Free Spirit
Camp Greenleaves
Camp Joy
Camp Lee Mar
Camp Tekoa
Camp Virginia Jaycee
Camp
Happy Day Camp
Independence Place Summer Camp at the Arc of High Point
Summer Enrichment Camp
Summer Teen Fun Camp
Summer Theater Camp

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

S.O.A.R. (Success Oriented Achievement Realized)
Talisman Programs Summer Camp

Burns

Camp Celebrate
Camp Holiday Trails

Cancer

Camp Carefree
Camp Holiday Trails
Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake
Victory Junction

Chronic Illness

Camp Carefree
Camp Courage
Victory Junction

Crohn's Disease

CCFA Camp Oasis

Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Camp Sertoma
Spring Camp Cheerio

Diabetes

Camp Carolina Trails

Physical Disabilities

Adventure Amputee Camp

Summershine Camp at Lutheridge

Learning Disabilities/Cognitive Delays

Camp Lee Mar
S.O.A.R (Success Oriented Achievement Realized)
Summer Enrichment Camp
Summer Teen Fun Camp
Summershine Camp at Lutheridge
Tristian's Quest

Lupus

Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake

Muscular Dystrophy

MDA Summer Camp at Bethelwoods
MDA Summer Camp at Camp Carefree

Sickle Cell Anemia

Sickle Cell Camp

Vision Impairments

Camp Abilities at Camp Dogwood
Student Enrichment Experience (SEE)

Camp Ann
Community Connections Family Life Center Summer Day
Camp
Camp Escape
Camp Free Spirit
Camp Joy

Inclusive of All Disabilities

All Abilities Camp
ArtVentures
Asheville YMCA
Camp Discover
Camp Easter Seals Virginia
Camp Exploration
Camp Explore
Camp Friendly
Camp Ginger Cascades
Camp Hanes YMCA
Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp
Carrboro Recreation and Parks Camps
Durham Recreation and Parks Camps
Happiness Retreat
Hugs Camp
Johnson YMCA Summer Day Camp
Keyauwee Program Center
Summer Theater Camp
Wings of Eagles Ranch

Camps listed by County

All Abilities Camp

4705 Nicks Rd.
Mebane, NC 27302
<http://www.nctrcriders.org>
(919) 304-1009

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 12

Type of Disability: Inclusive/Blended

Description: Hosted by the North Carolina Therapeutic Riding Center, this camp is open to children with and without disabilities. Campers participate in a variety of activities, including horseback riding, arts and crafts, learning about farm animals and painting ponies.

Camp Free Spirit

6657 Kimesville Rd.
Liberty, NC
www.koppertop.org/CampFreeSpirit.html
(336) 565-9723

Type: Day

Age: 2 and up

Type of Disability: Inclusive of physical or developmental disabilities

Description: Camp Free Spirit is an inclusive day camp that uses the outdoors and animals, especially horses, to teach individuals with and without disabilities both everyday living skills and an understanding of animals and the great outdoors. This inclusive program allows campers to learn from each other, and encourages siblings to participate together. Other activities include a hayride, cookout, arts and crafts, and scavenger hunts. Helmets and safety stirrups are provided, and adapted equipment available if needed. All teaching is adapted to each person's needs, and campers can have a 1:1 ratio if necessary. Camp facilities are wheelchair accessible.

Camp Greenleaves

Lake Cammack Park and Marina
4790 Union Ridge Rd.
Burlington, NC 27217
www.burlingtonnc.gov/index.aspx?NID=1330
(336) 229-3148

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 21

Type of Disability: Mild to moderate developmental disabilities

Description: Camp Greenleaves is a five-week summer day camp for youth with developmental disabilities/delays who reside in Alamance County and attend the Alamance/Burlington school system. Campers are divided into five groups with four counselors per group and will rotate to different areas of camp daily. Activities include

Alamance

Cost: \$375 per week

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August, Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm.

Session 1: June 15-19

Session 2: June 22-26

Session 3: July 6-10

Session 4: July 20-24

Session 5: August 3-7

Notes: Some scholarships are available, as well as sibling and multi-week discounts

Cost: \$25 registration fee, \$175 per week.

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August, please see website for exact dates. Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-12pm, with after-care available until 5pm for an additional fee of \$10 per day.

Cost: Unknown- camp is sponsored by the Burlington Recreation and Parks Department.

2015 Camp Dates: June 15-July 17. Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm.

swimming, arts and crafts, sports and games, character building, nature studies, and free time. There are also several field trips planned throughout the summer.

Buncombe County

YMCA of Western North Carolina Summer Camps

53 Asheland Ave
Asheville, NC 28801
www.ymcawnc.org
(828) 210-9622
Type: Day Camp

Age:

Camp Discovery and Explorer: Rising K-5th

Adventure Camp: Rising 4th – Rising 8th

CIT (Counselors in training): Rising 9th-12th,

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: Activities include nature hikes, camp songs, group games, arts & crafts, swimming, outdoor exploration, water play, drama, sports and games, and weekly field trips.

Cost: \$175-\$225 per week with a one-time registration fee of \$50.

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August, organized by camper age and theme. See website for exact dates.

Notes: The Y accepts vouchers for camps at the Buncombe, McDowell and Henderson County locations. There is also financial assistance available.

Camp Lakey Gap

222 Fern Way
Black Mountain, NC 28711
www.christmount.org/camplakeygap/index.htm
(828) 669-8977 or (828) 669-6301

Type: Overnight

Age: 4-17; one week for over 18

Type of Disability: Autism Spectrum

Description: Camp Lakey Gap welcomes anyone on the autism spectrum to come and enjoy a summer camp experience. It offers a unique program approach of therapeutic recreation using visually structured programming, 1:1 and 1:2 positive support from well-trained college and graduate students, development of independent living skills, and opportunities for engaging in social interaction with peers. All activities cater to a camper's individual needs and interests, whether they include insects, reptiles, outer space, Pokemon, Star Wars, or anything else.

Cost: \$200 deposit with application; \$1,775 per week for the first child and \$1,575 per week for a second child.

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August organized by camper age and level of functioning. See website for exact dates.

Notes: Payment plans and some scholarship options are available based on family income.

Camp Tikvah

Asheville Jewish Community Center
236 Charlotte St.
Asheville, NC 28801
www.jccasheville.org/index.php?submenu=CampRuach&src=gendocs&ref=camptikvah&category=CampRuach
(828) 253-0701, x107 (Camp Director)

Type: Day Camp

Ages: Rising 1st-3rd grade

Type of Disability: Autism Spectrum

Description: Camp Tikvah enables children on the autism spectrum to enjoy the fun and community of Camp Ruach in

Cost: \$330 per week for Asheville JCC members; \$430 per week for non-members.

2015 Camp Dates:

Session 1 (June 15–19)

Session 2 (June 22–26)

Session 3 (June 29–July 2)

Session 4 (July 6–10)

Session 5 (July 13–17)

Session 6 (July 20–24)

Session 7 (July 27–July 31)

an individually monitored and highly structured program. A collaboration between Autism Consulting and Training, Inc. and Camp Ruach, Camp Tikvah is a unique four-week experience that allows these special kids to participate in as many peer activities as is individually appropriate. Well-trained counselors focus on sensory issues, communication, socialization, community and fun.

Summer Enrichment Camp

West Asheville Recreation Center
970 Haywood Road
Asheville, NC 28802

www.ashevellenc.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/recreation/TherapeuticPrograms.aspx

(828) 259-5483

Type: Day

Age: 6 to 13

Type of Disability: Mild to moderate cognitive or developmental delays

Description: This is a 9-week long camp for youth ages 6-13 with and without disabilities. Campers enjoy activities in an inclusive environment, including group games, arts and crafts, nature exploration, special events and field trips. Camp has limited spots.

Summer Teen Fun Camp

West Asheville Recreation Center
970 Haywood Road
Asheville, NC 28802

www.ashevellenc.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/recreation/TherapeuticPrograms.aspx

(828) 259-5483

Type: Day

Age: Middle & High School

Type of Disability: Mild to moderate cognitive or developmental delays

Activities: This is a 8-week long camp for teens with and without disabilities. Campers enjoy activities in an inclusive environment, including group games, arts and crafts, nature exploration, special events and field trips. Camp has limited spots.

DEFT Summer Theater Arts Camp

Dr. Wesley Grant Southside Community Center
285 Livingston Street
Asheville, NC 28802

<http://www.firstparentcenter.org/projects/communityprograms/>

(828) 277-1315

Type: Day

Age: All ages

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: This is a four-week camp for youth, teens and

Session 8 (August 3–7)

Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-3:30pm.

Notes: Space is limited to six campers per session; registration opens February 10, contact Seth Kellam (Camp Director) to arrange an interview: (828) 253-0701 x107

Cost: TBA

2015 Camp Dates: June-August, exact dates will be posted in March. Registration begins in April. Camp is Monday-Friday, 9:30am-5:30pm.

For more information contact Lori Long at llong@ashevellenc.gov or 828-259-5483

Notes: Asheville Parks and Rec provides financial assistance for campers. To find out if your child qualifies, apply in advance at the West Asheville Recreation Center (970 Haywood Road, (828) 251-4031). Applications may take up to two weeks to process.

Cost: TBA

2015 Camp Dates: June-August, exact dates will be posted in March. Registration begins in April. Camp is Monday-Friday, 9:30am-5:30pm.

For more information contact Lori Long at llong@ashevellenc.gov or 828-259-5483

Notes: Asheville Parks and Rec provides financial assistance for campers. To find out if your child qualifies, apply in advance at the West Asheville Recreation Center (970 Haywood Road, (828) 251-4031). Applications may take up to two weeks to process.

Cost: TBA

2015 Camp Dates: Camp runs through June and July. *Exact dates will be posted in April.*

Notes: Asheville Parks and Rec provides financial assistance for campers. To find out if your child qualifies, apply in advance at the West Asheville Recreation Center (970 Haywood Road, (828) 251-4031). Applications may take up to two weeks to process.

adults with disabilities who want to experience acting and drama. Campers will work together to put on a small production at the end of camp.

Summershine Camp at Lutheridge

2049 Upper Laurel Dr.
Arden, NC 28704

www.novusway.com/our-programs/summer-camp/summershine.aspx

(828) 209-6307

Type: Overnight

Age: 15+

Type of Disability: Mild to moderate learning and developmental disabilities.

Description: The focus of this camp is on building faith and having fun. Campers are challenged to make new friends and experience new adventures. All programs are designed for campers who are independent in personal hygiene, non-aggressive and generally compliant. There are Three different programs: **Camp Summershine** is for ACTIVE campers. Campers must be able to walk up the hill to dining hall unassisted. Activities include games, hiking, arts and crafts and bible study. **Hilltop Summershine** is for campers who are less mobile. Activities include crafts, games, bible study, and karaoke, with lots of opportunities for rest periods in between. **Holiday Summershine** is for ACTIVE campers. Campers must be able to walk up the hill to dining hall unassisted. Activities include games, hiking, arts and crafts and bible study.

Student Enrichment Experience (SEE)-Asheville

Grace Baptist Church
718 Haywood Rd.

Asheville, NC 28704

<http://bit.ly/avlseereg> (camp registration)

(336) 245-5669

Type: Day

Age: K-12

Type of Disability: Provided by A Brighter Path Foundation and Industries for the Blind, SEE provides campers with a variety of independent living skills activities and field trips. For more information, or to register for camp, please contact Jay Hardwig of Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind in Asheville: (828) 667-9778 x5802 or jhardwig@wsifb.com.

Cost:

- Register by March 15: \$495 per session
- Register March 16-April 15: \$505 per session
- Register April 16-May 15: \$520 per session
- Register after May 15: \$530 per session

2015 Camp Dates:

- Hilltop Summershine:** July 12-18
- Camp Summershine:** June 7-13
- Holiday Summershine:** July 19-25

Notes: Campers may only attend one session. Some scholarships are available based on family income.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: June 29-July 2; July 6-9; July 13-16

Cabarrus County

Camp Tekoa Special Needs Day Camp

United Methodist Camp Tekoa
211 Thomas Road
Hendersonville, NC 28793

www.camptekoa.org/summer-camps/summer-camps/special-needs#

(828) 692-6516 or (828) 696-3699

Cost: \$50 registration fee; \$215 per session

2015 Camp Dates: June 22-25 or July 6-10. Camp is Monday-Friday, 8:30am-4:30pm.

Notes: Partial scholarships are available for a limited number of campers.

Type: Day

Age: 8 to 12

Type of Disability: Developmental disability

Description: Special Needs Day Camp is an inclusive program where campers with developmental disabilities can enjoy full participation in activities alongside other elementary day campers. The camper to staff ratio is lower in these weeks to be able to encourage and support all campers. Activities include arts and crafts, games, songs, zip line, boating, swimming and nature hikes.

Wings of Eagles Ranch

4800 Faith Trails

Concord, NC 28025

www.wingsofeaglesranch.org

(704) 784-3147

Type: Day

Age: 4 and up

Type of Disability: All disabilities

Description: Wings of Eagles Ranch is a nonprofit specializing in therapeutic horseback riding, which provides benefits such as increased flexibility and balance, increased confidence and self-esteem, enhanced socialization skills and more. Camp activities include organized therapeutic horseback riding, a ropes course and other outdoor activities. A variety of themes are offered during different weeks throughout the summer, please see website for more details.

Cost: \$50 deposit; \$225 to \$325 per week depending on session (see website for exact pricing).

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long camps June-August, see website for exact dates. Camps are Monday-Friday, 8am-3pm.

Notes: Camp registration opens February 15

Camp Ginger Cascades

2090 Scout Rd.

Lenoir, NC 28645

www.gingercascades.org/

(828) 758-5321

Type: Day and Overnight

Age: 6-17 (Girls only)

Type of Disability: Inclusive of physical disabilities, mild to moderate developmental disabilities, deaf or hard of hearing, vision impairments and ADHD

Description: Located in the beautiful foothills of western North Carolina, just outside Lenoir, Camp Ginger Cascades is one of three outdoor program properties operated by Girl Scouts Carolinas Peaks to Piedmont. During summer months, Ginger Cascades offers overnight resident and day camp programs for girls ages 5-17. Girls do not have to be a Girl Scout to attend programs. Founded in 1963, Camp Ginger Cascades is infused with a passion for the outdoors and is dedicated to helping young girls and women become confident and strong leaders! Being an ACA-accredited camp means parents can rest assured their child will be safe, as they develop their courage, confidence and character – without even realizing it!

Caldwell County

Cost: \$160 to \$895 per session, depending on length and type (day or overnight). See website for exact prices

2015 Camp Dates: Various three, five and six day long sessions June-July, organized by age and theme. See website for exact dates

Notes: Girls do not have to be a member of the Girl Scouts to attend this camp. Early Bird Discounts for those who register before March 17.

Catawba County

Camp Abilities at Camp Dogwood for the Blind & Visually Impaired

7050 Camp Dogwood Dr.
Sherrils Ford, NC 28573

<http://www.raisingcane.org/?section=camp-abilities-nc>

(828) 478-2155

Type: Overnight

Age: 11-17

Type of Disability: Visual impairment/blindness

Description: Camp Abilities is a week-long sports camp designed to meet the unique needs of children with visual impairments. Campers explore and learn individual and group sports to optimize their potential to improve and sustain health and well-being throughout their lives.

Cost: \$150

2015 Camp Dates: July 13 – 128.

Catham County

Camp Royall

250 Bill Ash Rd.

Moncure, NC 27559

www.camproyall.org

(919) 542-1033

Type: Overnight and Day

Age: 4 to adult

Type of Disability: Autism Spectrum Disorder

Description: Operated by the Autism Society of North Carolina, this is the nation's largest and oldest summer camp for people on the Autism spectrum. Campers participate in typical camp activities such as swimming, hiking, boating and arts and crafts in a structured environment designed to meet the unique needs of each camper. Counselor to camper ratios are 1:1 or 1:2. Campers are assigned to weeks according to their age and level of functioning.

Cost: \$1,700 per overnight session, \$550 per day session

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August organized by age and level of functioning, see website for exact dates. Each camp begins on Sunday afternoon and ends on Friday afternoon.

Notes: 10% discount for second child registered and 20% discount for each additional child. We have scholarship funding to help any family in need. We work hard to make sure the cost of camp does not affect camper's ability to attend.

Durham County

ArtVentures

Holton Career and Resource Center
401 N. Driver St.

Durham, NC 27701

<http://durhamnc.gov/ich/op/prd/Pages/Home.aspx>

(919) 560-4355

Type: Day

Age: 10 to 21

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: This is a theater-based program for youth with and without disabilities that provides an encouraging environment in which to explore various components of the arts such as visual arts, dance, singing, and acting. Throughout the course of this 3-week camp, participants, volunteers, and staff will work together using the skills they have learned to

Cost:

- City residents with Play More card: \$118.75 per session
- City residents w/out Play More card: \$132 per session
- Non-city residents with Play More card: \$141.25 per session
- Non-city residents w/out Play More card: \$157 per session

2015 Camp Dates: June 30-July 18. Camp is Monday-Friday, 7:30am-6pm

Notes: Discounts available for families registering multiple children. Payments can be made based on a sliding scale fee based on family income. Application is available online.

create a live theater production to be performed at the conclusion of camp.

Camp Discover

Lyon Park

1200 W. Lakewood Ave.
Durham, NC 27701

<http://durhamnc.gov/ich/op/prd/Pages/Home.aspx>

(919) 560-4355

Type: Day Camp

Age: 11-21

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: Camp Discover is an exciting summer camp serving children with disabilities who benefit from a specialized environment in which to learn and grow. This program offers participants the opportunity to gain the full summer camp experience in a supportive environment with a 1:3 staff to participant ratio. Campers will be encouraged to:

- Increase participation and involvement in a group setting
- Establish and foster relationships with peers
- Increase verbalization, expressive, and receptive language
- Increase coping skills and opportunities for emotional expression
- Increase opportunities for movement, fine and gross motor skill development.

Camp Explore

Holton Career and Resource Center
401 N. Driver St.
Durham, NC 27701

<http://durhamnc.gov/ich/op/prd/Pages/Home.aspx>

(919) 560-4355

Type: Day

Age: 13 to 21

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: Camp Explore serves adolescents ages 13-21 with disabilities. Campers will be given the opportunity to develop life skills and expand their leisure interests in a supportive environment at a 1:4 staff to participant ratio. If your

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- City residents with Play More card: \$118.75 per session
- City residents w/out Play More card: \$132 per session
- Non-city residents with Play More card: \$141.25 per session
- Non-city residents w/out Play More card: \$157 per session

2015 Camp Dates:

- June 15-19
 - June 22-26
 - June 29-July 2 *Note: DPR is closed on July 3rd for 4th of July Holiday
 - July 6-10
 - July 13-17
 - July 20-24
 - July 27-31
 - August 3-7
 - August 10-14
- Camp is Monday-Friday, 7:30am-6pm

Notes: Sibling and multi-week registration discounts available. Payments can be made based on a sliding scale fee based on family income. Application is available online.

Cost:

- City residents with Play More card: \$118.75 per session
- City residents w/out Play More card: \$132 per session
- Non-city residents with Play More card: \$141.25 per session
- Non-city residents w/out Play More card: \$157 per session

2015 Camp Dates:

- June 15-19
- June 22-26
- June 29-July 2 *Note: DPR is closed on July 3rd for 4th of July Holiday
- July 6-10

adolescent is relatively independent and you believe inclusion is not the best option, or if he/she is older than 17 (the maximum for inclusion in programs), we welcome you to register for this camp.

-July 13-17
-July 20-24
-July 27-31
-August 3-7
-August 10-14
Camp is Monday-Friday, 7:30am-6pm

Notes: Sibling and multi-week registration discounts available. Payments can be made based on a sliding scale fee based on family income. Application is available online.

Forsyth County

ABC School of Winston-Salem

3902 Old Vineyard Rd.
Winston-Salem, NC 27104
www.abcofnc.org/services/summer-program/
(336) 251-1180 ext. 120

Type: Day

Age: 3-21

Type of Disability: Autism Spectrum

Description: ABC of NC Child Development Center's Summer Education Program combines the fun of a summer day camp with an evidence-based educational program. Children learn through peer and play interaction in a fun and inclusive group environment. Each child's camp experience is tailored to his or her unique needs through the creation of an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) by a team of experienced education professionals prior to the beginning of camp. Please note that children attending the Summer Education Program must have no significant aggressive, self-injurious or destructive behaviors.

Cost: \$2,675 per session for students with autism; \$440 per session for typically developing students

2015 Camp Dates:

-May-June: IEP meetings

-Camp sessions: June 17-August 4

Camp is Monday-Friday, 8:45am-2:45pm

Notes: A limited number of partial scholarships are available for families with a total household income under \$50,000/year or \$75,000/year for families enrolling multiple children with autism.

Student Enrichment Experience (SEE)- Winston-Salem

Tracy's Little Red School House
Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind
7730 North Point Drive
Winston-Salem, NC 27104

<http://bit.ly/FBSEE> (camp registration)

(336) 245-5669

Type: Day

Age: K-12

Type of Disability: Provided by A Brighter Path Foundation and Industries for the Blind, SEE provides campers with a variety of independent living skills activities and field trips. For more information, or to register for camp, please contact Jenny Viars of Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind: (336) 245-5669 or jviars@wsifb.com.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: July 6-9; July 13-16; July 20-23

Guilford County

Camp Ann

High Point Lake City Park
602 W. Main St.

Jamestown, NC 27862

www.highpointnc.gov/pr/special_pop.cfm

(336) 883-3481 or (336) 883-3477

Type: Day

Age: 6 and up

Type of Disability: Inclusive of physical & developmental disabilities

Description: Campers can participate in activities such arts & crafts, swimming, outdoor recreation and field trips in an inclusive environment. Lunch and one snack are provided.

Camp Carefree

275 Carefree Ln.

Stokesdale, NC 27357

www.campcarefree.org

(336) 427-3123

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to 16

Type of Disability: Neurological disorders, cancer, spina bifida, hemophilia, sickle cell, muscular dystrophy, siblings of children with a chronic illness, children of a chronically ill parent.

Description: Camp Carefree provides children with serious health problems an opportunity to play, learn and have fun with other who encounter similar difficulties. Activities include horseback riding, canoeing, fishing, climbing a rock wall, zip lining, arts & crafts, and more.

Camp Joy Day Camp

5920 Hagan-Stone Park Rd.

Pleasant Garden, NC 27313

<http://haganstone.guilfordparks.com/index.php/camp-joy>

(336) 674-5943

Type: Day from 9:00-3:00pm

Age: 5 to adult

Type of Disability: Physical or developmental disabilities, hearing and visual impairments

Description: Camp Joy offers two three-week sessions for individuals with developmental disabilities and a one-week session for individuals with physical disabilities. Facilities include six cabins, a multipurpose building, an arts and crafts shelter, a playground, and a pool. Activities include arts and crafts, music, swimming, sports and outdoor activities as well as talent shows, dances, movie days, and theme weeks. Campers who need personal assistance are welcome to have personal assistance accompany them at camp.

Cost: \$35 per week for High Point Residents and \$50 per week for non-residents

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions mid-June to early August, see website for exact dates.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long camps offered June-August organized by disorder, including weeks for siblings of a chronically ill child and children of a chronically ill parent; see website for exact dates. Each session is Sunday-Saturday.

Cost: \$55 per week

2015 Camp Dates:

For campers with developmental disabilities:

-June 22 – August 7th

For campers with physical disabilities:

-July 13 - 17

The Independence Place Summer Camp at the Arc of High Point

111-C Pomona Dr
High Point, NC 27265

www.healthy-triad.org/index.html

(336) 327-7525

Type: Day

Age: all age groups

Type of Disability: Inclusive of physical & developmental disabilities. Camper's individualized target areas, based on parent feedback and assessment, will be addressed in the areas of language/communication, sensory, social skills & competence, and social thinking; safety, behavior, problem solving/executive functions and building Independence. Daily outings will be provided to address generalization of skills into the community, have inclusive experiences and have FUN with FRIENDS! All camp weeks are open for all ages, and campers are grouped by age. There will be 3 weeks for MS and HS school students to heavily target needs and program for moving toward independence in adulthood, at the Greensboro location (as highlighted above), although all age groups are welcome all weeks of camp.

Hugs Camp

Haw River State Park
339 Conference Center Dr.
Browns Summit, NC 27214

www.dionc.org/youth/hugs-camp.html

(800) 448-8775

Type: Overnight

Age: 8 and up

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: HUGS is a unique camp for unique people, bringing together young people of diverse abilities. Campers with special needs are paired with one or more "helper" campers, who assist the special-needs campers with all the activities of camp life. Needs may range from needing assistance in bathing, eating, and/or dressing to help getting around or just having a friend to encourage participation. Helper Campers take part in a day of training with counselors and nurses to learn how to care for the campers.

Sickle Cell Camp

PO Box 2094
Greensboro, NC 27420

www.piedmonthalthservices.org/Camp.htm

(336) 274-1507

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to 15

Type of Disability: Sickle Cell Disease

Description: The goal of this camp is to foster the social, emotional, and physical growth of children with sickle cell

Cost: Pre-care and After-care available for an additional fee Fees: \$175 per week/\$150.00 per week for four or more weeks for K-5 \$25.00 registration fee
Fees include community activities

2015 Camp Dates:

June 15-June 19 July 20-July 24

June 22-June 26 July 27-July 31

July 06-July 10 August 3-August 7

July 13-July 17 August 10-August 14

Camp runs M-F from 9-3 pm with early and late drop off times options for an extra fee

Cost: \$390

2015 Camp Dates: July 20-25

Notes: Scholarships are available to participants who have their scholarship application form signed by a priest or youth minister at their parish.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: July 27-August 1

disease and encourage self-confidence and independence, social skill-building and development of peer relationships. Activities include swimming, horseback riding, arts and crafts, fishing, talent show, field trips, motivational speakers, sports and movie nights.

Tristian's Quest

115 S. Walnut Cir.

Greensboro, NC 27409

www.tristansquest.com/programs/summer-camp

(336) 547-7460

Type: Day

Age: Rising K-3rd

Type of Disability: Autism, Asperger's, Bipolar Disorder, ADHD, Sensory Processing Disorder, Depression, Anxiety, Genetic/Chromosomal Disorders, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders and general behavioral/social concerns

Description: Tristan's Quest summer camp is an inclusive, engaging and well-supervised camp for children with and without social, emotional, behavioral and academic challenges. Staff to camper ratio is 1:3 with a maximum of ten campers per week. Each week has a different theme, please see website for more details.

Cost: \$25 registration fee; \$170 per session

2015 Camp Dates: Various week long sessions June-August organized by theme; see website for exact dates. Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-1pm.

Notes: Campers attending five or more weeks receive a 10% discount on tuition. Siblings of campers are welcome to attend.

Henderson County

Carolina Pediatric Therapy Camp Crayon

Baabals Ice Cream & Coffee Shop

188 St. Johns Road

Fletcher, NC 28732

www.campcrayon.com

(828) 670-8056

Type: Day

Age: Kindergarten – 5th grade

Type of Disability: Children with fine motor difficulties

Description: Camp Crayon is a handwriting camp using the Handwriting Without Tears curriculum, a hands-on multi-sensory approach to writing. Three different camps are offered that focus on different skill areas matching the child's cognitive and developmental readiness for writing.

Cost: \$250

2015 Camp Dates: Three week-long camps, M-F 9 – 12:

Entering Kindergarten: July 14 – 18

Entering 1st and 2nd grade: July 21 – 25

Up to 5th grade: July 28 – Aug. 1

Notes: \$25 discount when registering before May 31. Registration ends June 15.

Camp Living Wonders

1415 County Road 1109

Zirconia, NC 28790

<http://camplivingwonders.org/>

678-888-2CLW (2259)

Type: Jewish camp

Age: children/young adults up to 25

Type of Disability: All

Description: Camp Living Wonders is the South's only Jewish residential camp built exclusively for the benefit of children with cognitive and developmental disabilities. Camp Living

2015 Camp Dates and Cost:

Full Session June 14th-July 2nd \$3490

Session 1 of *Nitzutzot (Sparks) June 14th – June 23rd \$1900

Session 2 of Nitzutzot (Sparks) June 24th – July 2nd \$1900

Notes: Scholarships available

Wonders engages high functioning children ages 7-25 with disabilities including, but not limited to Autism and spectrum disorders, Down's syndrome, Asperger's syndrome, Fragile X, PDD, NoDD/LD, ADD/ADHD with behavioral components, Tourette's syndrome. Camp Living Wonders also has a fully inclusive Staff in Training program which provides neuro-typical 16-17 year old teens the opportunity to live and work with older campers with special needs who prepare, live, work, and train together to become the stellar staff of the future. Nestled in the heart of the Blue Ridge mountains, our camper-based, nature-based program ensures that our campers return home with boosted confidence and independence, a passion for Jewish life and community, the skills to integrate better into their respective communities, with a trunk full of new friendships, and a backpack of memories campers are eager to share.

Talisman's Camp

64 Gap Creek Road
Zirconia, NC 28790
<http://talismancamps.com/>
(828) 697-6313

Type: Co-ed Overnight

Age: 6-22 Years

Type of Disability: Autism Spectrum Disorder, Asperger's, Bipolar Disorder, ADHD

Description: Talisman Programs provide exceptional summer camp opportunities for young people ages 6-22 with ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorders, and other learning differences. Since 1980 our ACA-accredited programs have been offering unique alternatives to ordinary summer camps. We provide a structured, nurturing environment within an exciting adventure program in which our campers can have a successful summer while increasing social skills, a sense of personal responsibility and a more positive self-image.

Cost: \$2995-\$4500

2015 Camp Dates: June 13- June 25, June 28- July 16, July 19-August 8

Jackson County

SOAR (Success Oriented Achievement Realized)

PO Box 388
Balsam, NC 28707
www.soarnc.org
(828) 456-3435

Type: Overnight

Age: 8 to 25

Type of Disability: Learning disabilities and ADHD

Description: SOAR offers high adventure summer camps designed specifically for youth and young adults between the ages of 8 and 25 diagnosed with ADHD and LD. Each of our summer camp programs promotes friendships, increase self-confidence, and develop life skills. Created in 1977 by an adult with learning disabilities, SOAR provides fun and successful experiences so that participants may gain greater awareness of their own strengths and improve self-esteem and confidence. Our camps offer adventure activities, for beginners and beyond, located across the country's most

Cost: \$2,900 to \$4,400 per session depending on length; family week is \$1,000 per family

2015 Camp Dates: Various 12, 18 and 26 day long sessions June-August, organized by adventure; see website for exact dates and details. Family Adventure Weekend is May 8-10

Notes: There are a limited number of scholarships available based on family income.

scenic places. These incredible locations include the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina, the sunny Florida Keys, wild and wonderful Wyoming, the California Coast, and the Adirondacks region of New York. Campers participate in exciting adventure activities such as rock climbing, horseback riding, SCUBA diving, llama treks, whitewater rafting, surfing, and much more! SOAR staff and instructors provide a community where campers are celebrated for their gifts, where they come to make friends, and where they have the freedom to be themselves. Everything we do at SOAR is based upon helping campers experience success and providing them with the tools and strategies to continue building upon that success. Campers will develop self-confidence, life skills, and build friendships while experiencing a variety of exciting adventures. We are proud to be accredited by the American Camp Association.

Lee County

Happy Day Camp

San-Lee Park

572 Pumping Station Road

Sanford, NC 27330

<http://www.leecountync.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/RecreationPrograms/tabid/274/Default.aspx>

(919) 775-2107 Ext. 207

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 15+

Type of Disability: Developmental Disabilities

Description: Happy Day Camp is designed to involve individuals with special needs in recreational activities to increase their self-esteem and confidence. One-week sessions are held for different age groups. During camp participants have the opportunity to interact with their peers through activities such as arts and crafts, nature studies, boating, swimming and special field trips.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates:

Ages 5-10 Week of June 22nd

Ages 11-14 Week of July 6th

Ages 15+ Week of July 13th

Adults Week of July 20th

No camp week of July 4th

Notes: Registration is May 1-June 20

Mecklenburg County

Camp Boomerang

9760 Happy Valley Drive

Charlotte, NC 28270

Mailing address:

3127 Weddington Road

Matthews, NC 28105

www.ymcacharlotte.org/branches/siskey/youthdev/camp/campboomerang.aspx

(704) 716-4329

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 15

Type of Disability: Autism and special needs

Description: All campers will participate side by side in an inclusive environment with typically-developing children in age appropriate activities that include nature, parachute, field sports, low ropes, tower, fishing, swimming, devotions, and

Cost: \$250 per session for member and non-member

2015 Camp Dates:

5 consecutive weeks of Monday-Friday Day Camp from June 29-July 31; 915a-415p

Notes: Registration takes place on a first-come first-serve basis, and campers are limited to two sessions. Financial aid is available based on family income.

arts and crafts. Campers will also take part in specialized enrichment activities several times a week. Peer buddies, 1:2 and 1:1 support can be provided for campers who have autism and other special needs.

Johnson YMCA Summer Day Camp

3025 N. Davidson St
Charlotte, NC 28205

www.ymcacharlotte.org

(704) 716-6362

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 12

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: Campers discover and build skills while working as a team during activities like swimming, games and challenges. Several different camps with various themes are offered, please visit the website for more details.

MDA Summer Camp at Bethelwoods

1515 Mockingbird Ln.

Charlotte, NC 28209

www.mda.org

(704) 567-2912

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to 17

Type of Disability: Muscular Dystrophy

Description: Activities include swimming, karaoke, boating, fishing, adaptive sports, archery, horseback riding, scavenger hunts, arts and crafts, dances and talent shows, and campfires. All activities are specially designed to be inclusive of campers who have limited mobility or who use wheelchairs.

Mecklenburg Therapeutic Recreation Programs

2219 Tyvola Rd.

Charlotte, NC

<http://charmec.org/mecklenburg/county/ParkandRec/Therapeutics/SummerDayCamp/>

(704) 432-4328 or (704) 432-4327

Type: Day Camp

Age: 2 to 16

Type of Disability: Developmental Disabilities

Description: The Mecklenburg Department of Parks and Recreation offers a wide variety of day camps for individuals who have disabilities that focus on their abilities and encourage them to attain their highest level of functioning by increasing leisure skills, improving social and communication skills, increasing independent living skills and increasing awareness of and involvement in community recreation activities. There are various types of camps over the summer that are organized by age group, please see website for more details.

Cost: \$65-\$125 per session for Charlotte YMCA members; \$85-\$175 for nonmembers. Prices vary by session, see website for exact rates.

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long full and half day sessions June-August, organized by age group and theme. See website for exact dates

Notes: Registration opens February 1 for members and February 15 for nonmembers

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: August 2-7

Notes: Only children registered with the Muscular Dystrophy Association are eligible to apply

Cost: \$100 per session

2015 Camp Dates: 8 week-long sessions, June 23 – August 15, organized by camper age and theme. Camp is Monday – Friday, 7:30am – 6 pm. See website for exact dates.

New Hanover County

Spring Camp Cheerio

1430 Camp Cheerio Rd.
Glade Valley, NC 28627

www.springcampcheerio.org

(704) 798-1094

Type: Overnight

Age: 0-15+ and family

Type of Disability: Deaf and hard of hearing

Description: This camp is designed to teach strategies for development of spoken language, including Cued Speech methodologies. During this camp weekend, children are placed in age appropriate classes where they participate in activities such as crafts, games, hiking, canoeing, archery, a hillside waterslide, and more while parents attend educational sessions that include cued speech training, language facilitator training and time for sharing experiences.

Cost: Varies by family size and type of accommodation (lodge, cabin or motel); see website for details

2015 Camp Dates: May 15-17

Notes: Registration opens in March. A limited number of scholarships are available based on family income

Orange County

Carrboro Recreation and Parks Camps

100 N. Greensboro St.

Carrboro, NC 27510

www.carrbororec.org/

(919) 918-7392

Type: Day Camp

Age: 3 to 17

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Note: Multiple camp themes available including music, art, sports, crafts, nature and more, please see website for details. Placement based on Parks & Rec's ability to aid camper in fulfilling their needs.

Cost: \$40 deposit (non-refundable); \$90-\$165 per week depending on camp

2015 Camp Dates: There are a variety of camps June-August organized by camper age and theme. Each camp is Monday-Friday and lasts for 3-4 hours per day. See website for exact dates

Camp Celebrate

101 Manning Dr.

Chapel Hill, NC 27514

(919) 966-8539

www.med.unc.edu/burn/aftercare-programs-temp/camp-celebrate-1

Type: Overnight

Age: 7 to 18

Type of Disability: Burn Survivors

Description: An annual camping experience for children who have experienced burn injuries. This camp provides opportunities to play, run, laugh, talk and have fun with campers who have had similar experiences. Activities include swimming, canoeing, arts and crafts, fishing, and an annual Sunday family picnic. Teens ages 16-18 can serve as Counselors-in-Training.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: May 15-17

Teen camp:

Family Camp:

Pitt County

Camp Coast

604 Medical Dr.
Greenville, NC 27835
(252) 847-6834
www.asthmacamps.org
(252) 847-6834

Type: Weekend Retreat

Age: 8 - 17 +families

Type of Disability: Asthma

Description: Camp Coast is a medical camping program that serves children with asthma and their family. Activities include canoeing, arts & crafts, archery, swimming and more. In addition, medical professionals offer educational sessions to help campers understand asthma and how to control it.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates:

-Spring Retreat: May

-Fall Retreat: September

Camp Escape

Drew Steele Center
1058 South Elm St.
Greenville, NC 27858
<http://www.greenvillenc.gov/government/recreation-parks/summer-camps/day-camps/camp-escape>
(252) 329-4270

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 21

Type of Disability: Developmental or physical disabilities

Description: Each camp is one week long and has a different theme, including art, dance, sports and nature. Please see website for more information about specific activities for each camp.

Cost: \$68 per session (\$55 for session 3)

Discounted Greenville Residents Fee: \$45 per session (\$36 for session 3)

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August organized by theme, see website for exact dates. Camps are Monday-Friday, 9am-3:15pm

Keyauwee Program Center

2574 Sweetbriar Rd.
Sofia, NC 27350
www.keyauwee.com
(336) 861-1198

Type: Day and Overnight

Age: Girls 6-17

Type of Disability: Inclusive of physical disabilities, mild to moderate developmental disabilities, deaf or hard of hearing, vision impairments and ADHD

Description: Keyauwee Program Center, an all-girls camp, is located just south of Greensboro in Randolph County on 350 acres. It is a multipurpose site with an Olympic-size swimming pool and diving well, riding stables with a covered arena, 50-foot Alpine Tower, archery range, sports court, several large playing fields and a climbing tower.

At Keyauwee, we allow children to enjoy being children! We keep the girls active, busy and having fun as they climb, swim, ride and craft their way through their time with us in a safe

Randolph County

Cost: \$160 to \$895 per session, depending on length and type (day or overnight). See website for exact prices

2015 Camp Dates: Various three, five and six day long sessions June-August, organized by age and theme. See website for exact dates

Notes: Girls do not have to be a member of the Girl Scouts to attend this camp. Early Bird Discounts for those who register before March 17.

environment. Being an ACA-accredited camp means parents can rest assured their child will be safe, as they develop their courage, confidence and character – without even realizing it!

Camp Kesem

Keyauwee Program Center
2574 Sweetbrier Rd
Sophia, NC 27350

www.campkesem.org/northcarolina

(260) 225-3736

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to 16

Type of Disability: Children with parents who have cancer
Description: Camp Kesem is a college student-run summer camp for kids with a parent who has (or has had) cancer. Each of the two one-week camp sessions in August are a chance for kids ages 6-16 to have a fun-filled week and just be kids. Camp Kesem focuses on giving campers the most fun week possible, while providing the extra support and attention that they need.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates:

-Session I: August 2-7

-Session II: August 11-16

Notes: Campers may only attend one session.

Victory Junction

4500 Adam's Way
Randleman, NC 27317

www.victoryjunction.org

(877) 854-2267

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to 16

Type of Disability: Chronic or serious disease, complete list on website

Description: The mission of Victory Junction is to provide life-changing camping experiences that are exciting, fun and empowering in a safe and medically-sound environment. During the summer, Victory Junction offers disease-specific sessions with up to 128 children per session.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: various week-long sessions June-August organized by type of illness; see website for exact dates.

Notes: Siblings are only admitted to the sibling camp session if their brother or sister is attending another Victory Junction camp session

Camp Sertoma

1296 Mallard Dr.
Ellerbe, NC 28338

www.facebook.com/sertomadeafcamp

(301) 620-2254

Type: Overnight

Age: 8 to 16

Type of Disability: Deaf and Hard of hearing

Description: This camp gives deaf and hard of hearing an opportunity to meet and associate with others like themselves, as well as be exposed to positive adult role models who are

Richmond County

Cost: \$75 deposit; \$425 per session (additional \$25 if registering after May 1)

2015 Camp Dates: June 28-July 3

Notes: Campers are accepted on a first-come first-serve basis

deaf, hard-of-hearing or hearing in a fun and safe 4-H camp environment. Activities include swimming, outdoor orienteering, archery, arts and crafts, horseback riding and nature walks; older campers (ages 15 and 16) can enjoy swimming, canoeing and sleeping under the stars.

Stokes County

Camp Carolina Trails

2418 Blue Ridge Rd. Suite 206
Raleigh, NC 27607

www.diabetes.org/adacampcarolinatrails

(888) 342-2382 ext. 3217 or (919) 743-5400

Type: Overnight

Age: 8 to 17

Type of Disability: Diabetes

Description: This camp is designed to give campers the tools they need to lead happy, healthy and balanced lives. Camp activities include sports, swimming, hiking, canoeing and arts & crafts combined with diabetes education and support.

Cost: \$700

2015 Camp Dates: June 14-20

Notes: Fee may be waived in cases of financial hardship

Camp Hanes YMCA

1225 Camp Hanes Road
King, NC 27021

www.camphanes.org

(336) 983-3131

Type: Day and Overnight

Age: 6 to 16

Type of Disability: Inclusive

Description: Nestled at the base of Sauratown Mountain 25 miles north of Winston-Salem, Camp Hanes is a Christian-led camp with staff dedicated to providing an excellent camping experience for all youth regardless of their ability. Camp Hanes offers various camps including day, residential, family, and more; see website for details.

Cost: \$175 registration fee; \$179-\$829 per session, depending on camper age and day or overnight camp

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August organized by age, theme and day or overnight session; see website for exact dates.

Notes: \$50 discount for YMCA of Northwest North Carolina members and those registering more than one camper; some financial assistance is available through the Open Doors Program (call (336) 983-3131 for more information)

Swain County

Adventure Amputee Camp

176 Saddleback Ln
Winchester, VA 22602

www.adventureamputeecamp.org

(703) 568-0074

Type: Overnight

Age: 8 to 17

Type of Disability: Missing one or more limb/Has a difference in one or more limbs

Description: This camp emphasizes outdoor adventure and hands-on learning. Activities include river rafting, high ropes and water skiing as well as bowling, crafts, games, swimming and horseback riding. All activities are modified as necessary to meet the ability and interest level of each camper.

Cost: \$25-\$50 per session

2015 Camp Dates: July 9 – 13

Notes: Scholarships are available based on family income

Transylvania County

Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp

570 Girl Scout Camp Rd.
Brevard, NC 28712

www.camppisgah.org

(828) 862-4435

Type: Overnight or Day

Age: Girls 6 to 17

Type of Disability: Inclusive of physical disabilities, mild to moderate developmental disabilities, deaf or hard of hearing, vision impairments and ADHD

Description: Camp Pisgah is a 160-acre camp nestled in the beautiful mountains of Brevard, North Carolina. It is an all-girls camp that prides itself for building girls of courage, confidence and character. We offer day, resident and family camp sessions lasting three, six or 12 days. We have over 60 unique programs for girls ages 6-17 years old, and although we are proudly affiliated with Girl Scouts Carolinas Peaks to Piedmont, girls do not have to be registered Girl Scouts to attend Camp Pisgah. Being an ACA-accredited camp means parents can rest assured their child will be safe, as they develop their courage, confidence and character – without even realizing it! Every girl is welcome!

Cost: \$160 to \$895 per session, depending on length and type (day or overnight). See website for exact prices

2015 Camp Dates: Various three, five and six day long sessions June-August, organized by age and theme. See website for exact dates

Notes: Girls do not have to be a member of the Girl Scouts to attend this camp. Early Bird Discounts for those who register before March 17.

Wake County

Camp Exploration

2401 Wade Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27607

www.raleighnc.gov/home/content/PRecRecreation/Articles/RSSummerCamps.html (Summer camp 2015 brochure)

(919) 996-2110

Type: Day

Age: 16-25

Type of Disability: All disabilities

Description: Campers participate in active games, nature, music/movement, arts/crafts, and field trips created for participants with various developmental and/or physical disabilities. Camp is offered at Marsh Creek Community Center. Ratios are 1:3, with some Personal Assistant sessions available for those needing 1:1 support. See website for details.

Cost: \$135 per week

2015 Camp Dates: Week-long sessions June 15-August 10; see website for exact dates. Camp is Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm, except Friday, July 3.

Notes: Some scholarships are available for financial assistance requests made by June 1; contact Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department Business Office at (919) 996-4800 for more information.

Camp Friendly

2401 Wade Avenue
Raleigh, NC 27607

<http://www.raleighnc.gov/arts/content/PRecParks/Articles/ParksRecreationPublications.html> (Summer Camp 2015 camp brochure)

(919) 996-2110

Type: Day

Age: 6 to 15

Type of Disability: All disabilities

Description: Campers participate in active games, nature, music/movement, arts/crafts, and field trips created for participants with various developmental and/or physical disabilities. Camp is offered at 2 locations: Durant Nature Park and Carolina Pines Community Center. Ratios are 1:3, with some Mini and Personal Assistant sessions available for those needing 1:1 support, see website for details.

Camp G.R.A.C.E.

9216 Baileywick Rd
Raleigh, NC 27615

www.ymcatriangle.org/programs-and-services/camps/camp-grace-north-raleigh

(919)848-9622

Type: Day

Age: 5 to 15 (willing to interview other ages)

Type of Disability: Pervasive Developmental Disorders or Autism

Description: Camp G.R.A.C.E. (Growth, Recognition, Achievement, Character, Encouragement) offers a typical camp experience filled with opportunities to have fun, grow, learn and make new friends. Camp is organized into alternating two-week sessions: **Social Skills**, which has a 1:3 ratio and is designed for children who do not require one-on-one assistance, and **Building Blocks**, which has a 1:2 ratio to allow for individual attention.

Happiness Retreat

Baptist Convention
205 Convention Drive
Cary, NC 27512

www.ncbaptist.org

919-459-5630 or 1-800-395-5102 ext 5630

Type: Overnight

Age: All ages

Type of Disability: Developmental, physical and hearing impairment.

Description: Happiness retreat is a 3 day, 2 night retreat for people with developmental disabilities and delays. Sponsored by the NC Baptists, the retreat is set up similar to vacation Bible School and includes Bible study, puppets, creative movement, pool time, handbells, worship and a talent show.

Cost: \$135 per week

2015 Camp Dates: Week-long sessions June 15-August 10; see website for exact dates. Camp is Monday-Friday, 8:00am-5:00pm, except Friday, July 3.

Notes: Some scholarships are available for financial assistance requests made by June 1; contact Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department Business Office at (919) 996-4800 for more information.

Cost: TBA

2015 Camp Dates: Various two-week long sessions June-August organized by camper: staff ratio; see website for exact dates. Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-2:30pm

Notes: Some financial assistance is available based on family income

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates:

June 5-7, 2015 in Hayesville (western NC)

July 24-26, 2015 in Asheboro

July 26-28, 2015 in Asheboro

July 29-31, 2015 in Asheboro

July 31-August 2, 2015 in Asheboro

Out-of-State Camps

Maine

Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake

35 Acadia Way
Casco, ME 04015
www.campsunshine.org
(207) 655-3800

Type: Overnight

Age: Children birth to 18 years old and their families (families accepted on a case-by-case basis)

Type of Disability: Children with life-threatening illnesses (cancer, brain tumors, lupus, sickle cell disease, renal disease, bone marrow failure illnesses, etc.)

Description: Nestled alongside the shores of beautiful Sebago Lake, Camp Sunshine provides respite, support, joy and hope to children with life-threatening illnesses and their immediate families through various stages of a child's illness. This program gives families the opportunity to rebuild their relationships together and meet other families facing similar challenges.

Cost: Free

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long (not week-long) sessions June-August, organized by type of disability/medical condition. See Website for exact dates.

Pennsylvania

Camp Lee Mar

805 Redgate Rd.
Dresher, PA 19025
www.leemar.com
(215) 658-1708

Type: Overnight

Age: 7-21

Type of Disability: Mild to moderate learning and developmental disabilities.

Description: Camp Lee Mar is a seven-week residential summer camp combining traditional camp activities with an Academic and Speech program. Campers enjoy traditional camp activities as well as academics, speech and language therapy, music and art therapy, daily living skills, sensory-motor-perceptual training, and computer skills. There is also therapeutic horseback riding, a zip line and overnight trips. A structured environment, individual attention and guidance are emphasized at all times.

Cost: \$10,400

2015 Camp Dates: June 24-August 11

Georgia

Camp Breathe Easy

600 Means St.
Atlanta, GA 30318
www.campbreatheeasy.com
770-867-6123

Type: Overnight

Age: 7 to 13

Type of Disability: Asthma

Description: A 6-day, 5-night camp giving children with asthma the excitement and fun of a traditional summer camp with the

Cost: \$30 registration fee; \$275 per session

2015 Camp Dates: May 31-June 5th

Notes: Scholarships are available based on family income

advantage of staff who are responsive to their health concerns. Activities include swimming, fishing, archery, canoeing, tennis, ropes course, and arts and crafts. An extensive asthma education curriculum is incorporated into campers' weekly activities.

Camp Easter Seals UCP

900 Camp Easter Seals RD
New Castle, VA 24127

www.campeastersealsucp.com

Mailing address:

201 E. Main Street

Salem, VA 24153

(540) 777-7325

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to adult

Type of Disability: All disabilities

Description: Camp Easter Seals UCP offers several summer sessions for people with disabilities of all ages, as well as a family week. Campers can participate in activities such as canoeing, swimming, sports and games, climbing wall, arts and crafts, horseback riding, performing arts and much more.

Camp Holiday Trails

400 Holiday Trails Lane

Charlottesville, VA 22903

(434) 977-3781

Type: Overnight

Age: 5 to 17

Type of Diagnosis: Various diagnosis including special weeks for Autism, bleeding disorders, burn victims and siblings.

Description: Since 1973, Camp Holiday Trails has been committed to providing a positive camp experience for children with special medical needs and chronic illnesses and their families. Campers can enjoy activities such as canoeing, fishing, hiking, archery, arts and crafts, athletics, drama and music.

Camp Virginia Jaycee

2494 Camp Jaycee Road

Blue Ridge, VA 24064

www.campvajc.org

(540) 947-2972

Type: Overnight

Age: 6 to 18+

Type of Disability: Autism, Intellectual and developmental disabilities, and Physical Disabilities

Description: Camp Virginia Jaycee is designed to give campers new outdoor experiences that provide opportunities for socialization and recreation. Activities include swimming, arts and crafts, music, sports, dances, hayrides, skit and talent shows, campfire programs, scavenger hunts, puppet shows,

Virginia

Cost: \$50 registration fee; \$1000 per week, partial scholarship available

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August, organized by age; see website for exact dates. Family camp is August 10-15.

Notes: Some scholarships are available based on family income to cover a portion of the cost of camp; no full scholarships.

Cost: Prices are \$125-\$600 per session; see website for exact prices.

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions June-August, organized by age and disability; see website for exact dates.

Notes: Some financial assistance is available based on family income

Cost: \$775 per session

2015 Camp Dates: Various week-long sessions (Sunday-Friday) June-August organized by age; see website for exact dates. Family Camp is June 12-14.

Notes: Weekend/respite stay is available between sessions for \$250

singing carnivals and magicians.

West Virginia

CCFA Camp Oasis

Camp Tall Timbers
Route 1 Box 472
High View, WV 26808
<http://www.ccfa.org/get-involved/camp-oasis/find-a-camp/>
(703) 865-6130

Type: Overnight

Age: Grades 2 to 10

Type of Disability: Crohn's Disease/Ulcerative Colitis

Description: This week-long, co-ed residential camp program enriches the lives of children with Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis by providing them with a safe and supportive camp community. Activities include visual and performing arts, land and water sports, ropes course and leadership development programs.

Cost: \$300

2015 Camp Dates: June 16th - 20th, 2015

Notes: A limited number of partial scholarships are available based on family income