

Programming

Our adult (18-35) and youth (10-17) campers take part in a wide array of indoor and outdoor camping activities designed to meet the needs of each individual camper. Our daily activities include swimming, sports, arts and crafts, music, boating, fishing, and nature classes. Each day ends with a camp-wide program where campers are given the opportunity to socialize during an array of activities including dances, talent shows, movies, scavenger hunts, pool parties, and so much more!

In addition to our fun-filled daily activities, campers experience the opportunity to practice both social and life skills. Independence is taught and encouraged under the supervision of counselors and program staff.

Sample Schedule

7:30am Wake Up
8:15 Flagpole line-up
8:30 Breakfast
9:00 Cabin Clean up
9:30-12:00 Group Activities
12:15 Flagpole line-up
12:30 Lunch
1:15-2:15 Siesta
2:15-5:15 Group Activities
All Camp Swim
5:15-6:00 Shower Time
6:00 Dinner
7:15 All Camp Activity
8:30 TAPS
8:30 Social Hour
9:00 Quiet Time/Bed

MAKE MEMORIES TO LAST A LIFETIME!



Our mission is to provide a safe haven for all campers. To afford campers with physical, cognitive, or developmental challenges the opportunity to engage in traditional camp programming. Adapt activities to meet the needs of each camper, Provide social activities for campers to network and make friends to help them through life's challenges.

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Staffing

Our staff come from a variety of backgrounds, such as education, PT, OT, speech, and more! All staff go through extensive background checks, have stellar references and attend our rigorous pre-camp training. Staff are not only taught the basic behavioral skills of positive discipline and CPR/FA, but the importance of supporting campers' independence and social skills, while building their self esteem. Staff learn that building positive relationships between campers and with counselors, benefits everyone.



Training

All staff attend a mandatory week long training prior to the arrival of campers. Trainings include but are not limited to:

- CPR
- First aid
- Behavior management
- Abuse & Neglect
- Facilitating and Promoting Social Interactions
- Assisting campers with daily living tasks
- Positive Reinforcement



Meals

Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are hosted family-style in our dining hall, or buffet-style in our outdoor picnic area. Menus are created based on nutritional value and dietary restrictions. Campers are taught table manners during meal time as well as healthy eating habits- from washing hands, to appropriate portion size. Healthy snacks are available mid-day along with cold water and gatorade to aid in recouping from warm weather.

Cabins

Cabins sleep up to 8 campers and 4 counselors. Counselors have a separate sleeping area and bathroom within the cabin. Each camper has their own personal space with a cubby for their belongings. Camper bathrooms are in the front of each cabin with sinks and bathroom stalls. Showers are conveniently located in our shower house on cabin row. Each cabin has a family room in the front with a bookcase and table full of social and independent activities. The front porch allows campers to have a place to socialize while visiting other cabins, or to enjoy the nice weather during siesta time.

Summer Dates 2026

Adult Weeks (age 18-35)

Session A: June 28th - July 4th

Session B: July 5th - July 11th

Session C: July 12th - July 18th

Session D: July 19th - July 25th

Session E: July 26th - August 1st

Session F: August 2nd - August 8th

Sessions can all be registered as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 week stays.

Should you register for more than one session, campers will remain at camp for the entirety of the weekend. For example, a camper registered for A/B would remain at camp from June 28th - July 11th.

Youth Weeks (age 10-17)

Blind/ Visually Impaired Week (10-17)

Session E July 26th - August 1st

Youth Special Needs (10-17)

Session F August 2nd - August 8th



Financial Assistance

A limited number of partial scholarships are available for qualified campers who reside in the State of New Jersey, based upon financial need and/or hardship. No scholarships are available for out-of-state campers. If you need financial assistance, please request a financial aid application from a Camp Director. Fees are nonrefundable.

For Additional Information email:
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