



## 2018 SUMMER CAMP DIRECTORY:

### A FREE RESOURCE GUIDE FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN WHO HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS

*Welcome to the 2018 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 2018\*. 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!*

\*Please note that some camps are still in the process of finalizing camp details for 2018. This directory will be updated as we receive this information.

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## 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 that 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™ of North Carolina Affiliates](#)
- [The Arc of NC 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](#)
- [Camp Page 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](mailto:FSP.CDR@unc.edu)

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## 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

### **Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder**

Camp Ginger Cascades

Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp

Keyauwee Program Center

SOAR (Success Oriented Achievement Realized)

Talisman Camp

### **Autism**

ABC School of Winston-Salem

Camp Boomerang

Camp G.R.A.C.E.

Camp Holiday Trails

Camp Lakey Gap

Camp Royall  
Camp Tikvah  
Camp Virginia Jaycee  
Talisman Camp

### **Burns**

Camp Celebrate  
Camp Holiday Trails

### **Cancer**

Camp Carefree  
Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake

### **Chronic Illness**

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

### **Crohn's Disease**

CCFA Camp Oasis

### **Deaf or Hard of Hearing**

Camp Ginger Cascades  
Camp Joy  
Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp  
Camp Sertoma  
Happiness Retreat  
Spring Camp Cheerio  
Kayauwee Program Center

### **Developmental Disabilities/Delays**

Camp Ann  
Camp Escape  
Camp Free Spirit  
Camp Ginger Cascades  
Camp G.R.A.C.E.  
Camp Green Leaves  
Camp Joy  
Camp Lee Mar  
Camp Living Wonders  
Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp  
Camp Trusted Parents  
Camp Virginia Jaycee  
Happiness Retreat  
Happy Day Camp  
Keyauwee Program Center

Mecklenburg Therapeutic Recreation Programs  
Summershine Camp at Lutheridge

## **Diabetes**

Camp Carolina Trails

## **Fine Motor Difficulties**

Camp Crayon

## **Inclusive of All Disabilities**

Blended Abilities Camp

Camp Ann

Camp Easter Seals UCP

Camp Exploration

Camp Explore

Camp Friendly

Camp Hanes YMCA

Carrboro Recreation and Parks Camps

Durham Parks & Recreation Summer Camp

Johnston cam Summer Day Camps

Hugs Camp

McCrorey YMCA Summer Day Camps

Summer Enrichment Camp

Wings of Eagles Ranch

YMCA Camp Watia

YMCA of Western North Carolina Summer Camps

## **Learning Disabilities/Cognitive Delays**

Camp Lee Mar

Camp Living Wonders

Camp Trusted Parents

Camp Virginia Jaycee

SOAR (Success Oriented Achievement Realized)

Summershine Camp at Lutheridge

Summer Teen Camp

## **Lupus**

Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake

## **Muscular Dystrophy**

Camp Carefree

MDA Summer Camp at Bethelwoods

## **Physical Disabilities**

Adventure Amputee Camp

Camp Escape

Camp Free Spirit

Camp Ginger Cascades  
Camp Joy  
Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp  
Camp Virginia Jaycee  
Happiness Retreat  
Kayauwee Program Center

### **Sickle Cell Anemia**

Camp Carefree  
Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake  
Sickle Cell Camp

### **Vision Impairments**

Camp Ginger Cascades  
Camp Joy  
Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp  
Keyauwee Program Center  
Student Adventure Camp (SEE) at Nantahala Outdoor Center  
Student Enrichment Experience (SEE) – Asheville  
Student Enrichment Experience (SEE) – Winston-Salem  
SEE Camp Abilities H2O at Camp Dogwood

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## **CAMPS LISTED BY COUNTY**

### **Alamance County**

#### **Camp Free Spirit**

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

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 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.

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

Afternoon care is an additional \$20.00 per child per day

**2018 Camp Dates:** Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-12pm, with afternoon care available for an additional fee.

June 18-22

June 25-29

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

## Camp Green Leaves

1333 Overbrook Road

PO Box 1358

Burlington, NC 27215

<http://www.burlingtonnc.gov/1330/Special-Populations-Programs>

(336) 229-3150

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 5 – 21

**Type of Disability:** Developmental disabilities/delays

**Description:** Camp Green Leaves is a summer day camp for youth with developmental disabilities/delays of Alamance County. Campers are divided into five groups with four counselors per group and will rotate to different areas of camp daily. Activities include swimming, arts and crafts, sports and games, character building and nature studies, and free time. They also have several field trips planned through the summer. Sponsored by Burlington Recreation & Parks, with assistance from other governmental agencies and individual and civic group donations. For more information, please contact Brandy McCandless at or [bmccandless@burlingtonnc.gov](mailto:bmccandless@burlingtonnc.gov).

**Cost:** TBD

**Dates:** TBD

## Inclusive Summer Camp

4705 Nicks Rd.

Mebane, NC 27302

<https://www.nctridders.org/inclusive-summer-camp>

(919) 304-1009

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 5 to 12

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**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.

**Cost:** \$375 per week

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long sessions June-August, Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm.

Week 1 June 18-22

Week 2 June 25-29

Week 3 July 9-13

Week 4 July 16-20  
Week 5 July 23-27  
Week 6 July 30-Aug 3

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

## **Buncombe County**

### **YMCA of Western North Carolina Summer Camps**

40 N. Merrimon Ave., Suite 301  
Asheville, NC 28804

[www.ymcawnc.org/day-camp](http://www.ymcawnc.org/day-camp)

(828) 251-5910

**Type:** Day Camp

**Ages:** Varies by Camp: Camp Discovery and Explorer: Rising K-5<sup>th</sup>; Adventure Camp: Rising 4<sup>th</sup> – Rising 8<sup>th</sup>; CIT (Counselors in training): Rising 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>

**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 - \$290 per week with a one-time registration fee of \$65.

**2018 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 and McDowell locations. There is also financial assistance available.

### **Camp Lakey Gap**

222 Fern Way  
Black Mountain, NC 28711

[www.camplakeygap.org](http://www.camplakeygap.org)

(828) 669-8977

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 4-18+

**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; \$1,780 (includes the \$200 deposit) per week for the first child and \$1,575 per week for a second child.

**2018 Camp Dates:** \* Indicates *High Functioning Weeks*, Check website for more information.

**Week 1:** June 17-22 [Ages 18+]

**Week 2:** June 24-29 [Ages 4-11\*]

**Week 3:** July 8-13 [Adults 18+]

**Week 4:** July 15-20 [Adults 12-17]

**Week 5:** July 22-27 [Ages 12-17\*]

**Week 6:** July 29-Aug 3 [Ages 18+]

**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

<http://www.jcc-asheville.org/youth/camp-ruach/camp-tikvah-for-children-with-autism/>

(828) 253-0701, x107 (Camp Director)

**Type:** Day Camp

**Ages:** Rising 1st-5th grade

**Type of Disability:** Autism Spectrum Disorders

**Description:** The only summer day camp of its kind in Western North Carolina, Camp Tikvah enables children on the autism spectrum to enjoy the fun and community of Camp Ruach in an individually monitored and highly structured program. Each one-week session runs interwoven with Camp Ruach (9 am -3:30 pm) — and enables these awesome kids to participate in as many peer activities as are individually appropriate. Specially-trained counselors continuously monitor each camper's sensory environment to help facilitate communication, socialization, and of course, community and fun. All Camp Tikvah staff complete an intensive training with Camp Tikvah Program Co-Director, Jennifer Lingle, M.Ed., who is also the Director of Autism Educates. Camp Tikvah is open to rising 1st graders and up. To ensure it is the right setting for each child, and because space is limited to six campers per session, families must be interviewed prior to registration.

**Cost:** Camp Tikvah (9am-3:30ppm) - \$350/week

Gesher Tikvah for middle school campers (9am-3:30pm) - \$398/week

**2018 Camp Dates:** Camp is Monday-Friday, 9am-3:30pm.

Session 1 (June 18-22)

Session 2 (June 25-29)

Session 3 (July 2- 6) (no camp on July 4)

Session 4 (July 9-13)

Session 5 (July 16-20)

Session 6 (July 23-27)

Session 7 (July 30-August 3)

Session 8 (August 6-10)

Session 9 (August 13-17)

**Notes:** For more information or to arrange an interview, contact Camp Ruach Director Seth Kellam at 828-253-0701 ext. 107, or email [seth@jcc-asheville.org](mailto:seth@jcc-asheville.org).

## Student Enrichment Experience (SEE) Day Camp - Asheville

West Asheville • 828-335-1136

[jhardwig@ifbsolutions.org](mailto:jhardwig@ifbsolutions.org)

**Type:** Co-Ed Day Camp

**Ages:** Ages 5-18

**Description:** SEE Day Camps offer a combination of education, enrichment, and recreation for kids aged K-12 who are blind or visually impaired. This year we're combining our favorite activities from previous day camps-- Cooking! Talent Show! Outdoor Adventure!--into one glorious five-day week.

**Cost:** Free.

**2018 Camp Dates:** July 9 through July 13

## Therapeutic Recreation Youth Summer Camp

West Asheville Recreation Center

970 Haywood Road

Asheville, NC 28802

[www.ashevollenc.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/recreation/TherapeuticPrograms.aspx](http://www.ashevollenc.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/recreation/TherapeuticPrograms.aspx)

(828) 232-4529

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 6 to 12

**Description:** A recreation program developed for youth with mild to moderate cognitive or developmental delays who meet eligibility requirements. Daily activities include group games, arts and crafts, nature exploration, special events and field trips.

**Cost:** \$50/week for first child, \$40/week for siblings. City of Asheville residents receive a \$10 discount.

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 18 through August17, Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm

## Therapeutic Recreation Summer Teen Camp

West Asheville Recreation Center

970 Haywood Road

Asheville, NC 28806

[www.ashevollenc.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/recreation/TherapeuticPrograms.aspx](http://www.ashevollenc.gov/Departments/ParksRecreation/recreation/TherapeuticPrograms.aspx)

(828) 232-4529

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 13-18 and/or graduated high school

**Type of Disability:** Mild to moderate cognitive or developmental delays

**Activities:** A recreation program developed in collaboration with FIRST. This camp is for teens with mild to moderate cognitive or developmental delays who meet eligibility requirements. Daily activities include group games, arts and crafts, nature exploration, special events and field trips.

**Cost:** \$50 per week, City of Asheville residents receive a \$10 discount.

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 18-August 17 Monday-Friday 9am-5pm

## Summershine Camp at Lutheridge

2049 Upper Laurel Drive

Arden, NC 28704

[www.novusway.com/our-programs/summer-camp/summershine.aspx](http://www.novusway.com/our-programs/summer-camp/summershine.aspx)

(828) 209-6329

**Type:** Overnight

**Age:** 15+

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

**Description:** Teens 15+ and adults with developmental delays who can manage self-care and walk unassisted will love camp with modified activities. Campers make friends and engage with other campers. Rough terrain and trails are a poor fit for campers in wheelchairs. There are daily activity periods and afternoon rest.

**Christmas SummerShine for ACTIVE Campers:** SummerShine Campers enjoy *active* games, hiking, crafts, swimming, canoeing, Bible lessons, and worship! Campers participate in CHRISTMAS in JULY festivities: Christmas Crafts, a visit from St. Nicholas, acting out the Christmas story, and Christmas worship. Counselor-to-Camper ratio is 1:4.

**Hilltop SummerShine for LESS ACTIVE Campers:** Hilltop campers *less mobile and active* and reside near the dining hall and meeting spaces. They sleep in lower bunks--up to three campers per room and counselor in a nearby room. Activities include: crafts, games, Bible lessons and worship, "Show & Tell," Talent Show, Karaoke. Counselor-to-Camper ratio is 1:3

### **Cost:**

\$519 through March 15 (Early Birds)

\$532 through April 15

\$546 through May 15

\$554 after May 15

### **2018 Camp Dates:**

**Christmas Summershine:** July 22-28

**Hilltop Summershine:** July 29-August 4

**Notes:** Scholarships are available based on need. Campers may attend more than one week of camp but will need to call the registration office to check availability. (828) 209-6329

## **Cabarrus County**

### **Wings of Eagles Ranch**

4800 Faith Trails

Concord, NC 28025

[www.wingsofeaglesranch.org](http://www.wingsofeaglesranch.org)

(704) 784-3147

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 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; \$250 to \$350 per week depending on session (see website for exact pricing).

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long camps June-August, see website for exact dates. Day Camps are Monday-Friday, 8am-3/5:30pm.

Our summer camps serve the special needs community along with their typically developing peers.

**June 11-15      OUTDOOR ADVENTURE I (Ages 4 & up)**

This camp is specifically designed to accommodate our special needs population as it is staffed with the OTA students from Cabarrus College of Health Sciences.

Camper Hours - 8:00 - 3:00  
\$250.00/Week  
(Deposit \$50)

**June 25-29      OUTDOOR ADVENTURE II (Ages 4 & up)**

Designed for persons with special needs who are more independent and their typical developing peers.

Camper Hours - 8:00 - 3:00  
\$250.00/Week  
(Deposit \$50)

**July 9-13          OUTDOOR ADVENTURE III (Ages 4 & up)**

Designed for the special needs who are more independent and their typical developing peers.

Camper Hours - 8:00 - 3:00  
\$250.00/Week  
(Deposit \$50)

**July 23-27      HORSE LOVER'S CAMP (Ages 7 & up)**

**Notes:** All campers must attend the open house. It is scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 2pm-4pm

Make-up Open House: June 2nd, 2018 1pm-3pm. Camp registration opens February 1st.

## **Caldwell County**

### **Camp Ginger Cascades**

2090 Scout Rd  
Lenoir, NC 28645

<http://www.camplikeagirl.org/camp-ginger-cascades>  
(336) 369-7427

**Type:** Day and Overnight

**Ages:** 5-17 (Girls only)

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

**Description:** Girl Scout camp is the perfect place to make new friends, try something new and just have fun! Our camps are open to any girl, whether she is a registered Girl Scout or not. The camp offers an inclusive environment and aims to help campers develop into strong, confident leaders with a passion for the outdoors and a dedication for helping. There are a wide variety of day and overnight camp options throughout the summer, organized by length, age group and theme. Activities may include boating, climbing, archery, nature, arts & crafts, swimming, etc.

**Cost:** \$185 to \$650 per session, depending on length and type (day or overnight). See website for exact prices. [www.camplikeagirl.org](http://www.camplikeagirl.org)

**2018 Camp Dates:** There are many sessions that vary in length, from 3 days to 2 weeks, during 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. Prices increase after March 14th.

## **Catawba County**

### **Camp Dogwood**

**Location:** 750 Camp Dogwood Road  
Sherrills Ford, NC

<http://nclionscampdogwood.org/>

(828) 478-2135; Ext. 230

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 18 - 100

**Type of Disability:** Blindness and visual Impairment

**Description:** Camp Dogwood is a recreational facility located on Lake Norman in Catawba County. We operate a recreational program consisting of 10 one week overnight sessions for adults with blindness and visual impairment. This recreational/vacation experience includes but is not limited to boating, fishing, swimming, tubing, art, crafts, mini golf, and off campus trips to shopping, seminars, bowling, the art museum and zoo. The staff to camper ratio is usually one to six. In addition to staffing the various activities, our staff serve as sighted guides, assist serving meals, and in other capacities that serve our visually impaired and blind guests. Our goal is to provide a week of fun and fellowship. Campers must be able to provide their own self-care. If they need assistance with self-care they may bring a caregiver with them.

**Costs:** \$125 for campers/\$175 for companion

**Dates:** <http://nclionscampdogwood.org/fee-schedule/>

### **SEE Camp Abilities H2O at Camp Dogwood**

7602 Camp Dogwood Drive, Sherrill's Ford, NC 28673

[www.ifbsolutionsfoundation.org](http://www.ifbsolutionsfoundation.org)

(828) 667-9778 x 5802

**Type:** Residential

**Ages:** Grades 7-12

**Type of Disability:** Blind or visual impairment

**Description:** SEE Camp Abilities H2O is an overnight water sports camp for rising 8th-12th graders who are blind or visually impaired. We'll swim, row, kayak, water-ski, and splash around from our home base on the shores of Lake Norman as well as throw in a trip to the National Whitewater Center in Charlotte for good measure. Novices are welcome, and life jackets plentiful: all that's required is a willingness to try new things and get wet. We'll have evening activities too.

Co-Ed • Rising 8th-12th graders

**Cost:** Free

**Dates:** June 24-28, 2018

**Notes:** For more information, contact Jay Hardwig at A Brighter Path Foundation: (828) 667-9778  
orjhardwig@ifbsolutions.org

## **Chatham County**

### **Camp Royall**

250 Bill Ash Rd  
Moncure, NC 27559  
[www.camproyall.org](http://www.camproyall.org)  
(919) 542-1033

**Type:** Residential and Day

**Ages:** 4 to Adult

**Type of Disability:** Autism Spectrum

**Description:** Operated by the Autism Society of North Carolina, this is the nation's largest 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 residential session, \$650 per day session

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long sessions June-August organized by age and level of functioning, see website for exact dates. Each residential camp week begins on Sunday afternoon and ends on Friday afternoon, Day Camp is Monday-Friday, 9-5pm.

**Notes:** We have scholarship funding to help any family in need. We work hard to make sure the cost of camp does not affect any camper's ability to attend.

## **Durham County**

### **Camp Shelanu**

1937 W Cornwallis Rd  
Durham NC 27705  
[www.levinjcc.org/camp](http://www.levinjcc.org/camp)  
919-354-4938

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 5-13

**Type of Disability:** Physical, social, sensory, or behavioral

**Description:** Camp Shelanu offers an inclusion program integrated in our traditional summer camp offerings, which include activities like swimming, arts, sports, music, science, electives, and more. We provide additional staffing and individualize accommodations but not one-on-one support or help with personal care. Campers learn about Jewish culture but campers come from all backgrounds.

**Cost:** \$228-328

**2018 Camp Dates:** Weekly sessions June 11-Aug 24

**Notes:** Applications for inclusion program due Jan 30, financial aid available. Our facility is wheelchair accessible.

## Camp Explore

Lyon Park, Community Family Life & Recreation Center

1309 Halley St, Durham, NC 27707

<http://durhamnc.gov/2777/Summer-Camps>

(919) 560-4355

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 13 to 21

**Type of Disability:** Please speak with program staff

**Description:** Come and be a part of the new and exciting offerings of the 2018 Explore summer camp extravaganza. Explore summer camp is exclusively designed to accommodate individuals with disabilities. The Explore summer camp staff is eager to dive into an awesome 9 week curriculum that will surely enhance the mind, relax the body, and guarantee FUN. Camp includes weekly field trips and pool visits! Register for Explore Summer Camp where the fun is unforgettable!

**Cost:** City Resident: \$132

Non-City Resident: \$157

Per child/per week (unless otherwise indicated)

**2018 Camp Dates:** Monday, June 18-Friday, August 17; 7:30 am – 6:00 pm

*Camps will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, for the holiday.* Registration opens Monday, March 12.

**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.

## Durham Parks & Recreation Summer Camp

Durham, NC 27701

<http://durhamnc.gov/2777/Summer-Camps>

919-560-4355

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** Ages vary depending on camp

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**Description:** Durham Parks and Recreation (DPR) summer camp programs offer a safe, inclusive environment where

all children are encouraged to participate. We are committed to the development of our campers' life skills through group activities and exposure to diverse athletic and educational experiences

**Cost:** City Resident: \$132 Non-City Resident: \$157 per child/per week (unless otherwise indicated)

**2018 Camp Dates:** Weekly sessions. Begins Monday, June 18 and ends Friday, August 17. Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

**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.

## **Forsyth County**

### **Student Enrichment Experience (SEE) Day Camp – Winston-Salem**

*Tracy's Little Red School House*

*Winston-Salem, NC*

[kflanagan@ifbsolutions.org](mailto:kflanagan@ifbsolutions.org)

336-245-5669

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** Co-ed, Ages 5-18

**Type of Disability:** Blind or visual impairment

**Description:** SEE Day Camps offer a combination of education, enrichment, and recreation for kids aged K-12 who are blind or visually impaired. We'll get crafty and creative this summer, with three weeks to cook, act, make, sing, learn, laugh, and play. Come for one week or come for all three.

**Cost:** Free

**2018 Camp Dates:** Monday-Thursday • July 9 through July 26

### **Student Enrichment Experience (SEE) Theater Camp – Winston-Salem**

*Tracy's Little Red School House*

*Winston-Salem, NC*

[kflanagan@ifbsolutions.org](mailto:kflanagan@ifbsolutions.org)

336-245-5669

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 12 or older

**Type of Disability: Description:** The first week of August is Theater Camp for students 12 years old or older. Campers work each day on a full-length play to be performed at the end of the week. We'll learn about props, scenery, costumes, blocking, and more, with each camper exploring speaking, singing, dancing, and backstage parts. From overture to curtain call, prepare for a thrilling week of theater.

**Cost:** Free

**2018 Camp Dates:** Monday – Friday July 30 through August 2

## Guilford County

### Camp Ann

High Point Lake City Park  
602 W. Main St  
Jamestown, NC 27282  
(336) 883-3481 or (336) 883-3477

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** Middle School, High School & Adult

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

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

**Cost:** \$50 per week for campers receiving transportation to & from camp, \$35 per week for campers not receiving transportation to & from camp

**2018 Camp Dates:** Camp is Monday – Friday, 9am-3pm.

<b>Session 1</b>	Adult	June 18-22 & June 25-29
<b>Session 2</b>	Middle/High School	July 9-13 & July 16-20
<b>Session 3</b>	Adult	July 23-27 & July 30- August 3

### Camp Carefree

275 Carefree Ln  
Stokesdale, NC 27357  
[www.campcarefree.org](http://www.campcarefree.org)  
(336) 427-3123

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 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.

**Cost:** Free

**2018 Camp Dates:**

June 17 – 23	SIBLINGS - well children with a chronically ill sibling
June 24 – 30	NEURO - epilepsy & neurological disorders
July 1 - 7	CANCER - leukemia & other cancers, JRA
July 8 – 14	SPINA BIFIDA - spinal cord disorders & injuries
July 15 – 21	KIDS - well children with a chronically ill parent
July 22 – 28	HEMOPHILIA - blood disorders, von Willbrand's & Turner's

## Camp Free Spirit

Kopper Top Life Learning Center Inc.

6657 Kimesville Rd.

Liberty, NC 27298

<http://www.koppertop.org/>

(336) 565 – 9723

Type: Mornings, Monday – Friday

**Ages:** 2 and up

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**Description:** Camp FreeSpirit is a half-day summer day camp designed for children ages 2 and up. Camp runs every morning for a week, Monday through Friday. Campers learn about the care and handling of horses, as well as horse sense and safety. By the end of the week, they have learned how to groom, tack, and ride! Each camper is assigned a horse for the duration of the week and works with that horse and develops a relationship with it. Each camper is also assigned a partner to help with the care of their horse, and they learn how to work together as a team and take turns as they share the responsibilities of grooming and the pleasures of riding that particular horse.

Besides horseback riding, Camp FreeSpirit also uses Healing GROWTH, Kopper Top's horticulture therapy program, to teach children about plants and how they grow. Crafts and healthy snacks are a daily must, as well as free time to hang out and play with the dogs, cats, horses, bunnies, goats, and more! Your camper will return home dirty and exhausted, but they always come back the next day ready to go again!

**Cost:** TBD

**Dates:** Monday through Friday

June 18-22

June 25-29

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Aug 6-Aug 10

*\*Contact camp for information about Innovations Waiver and other services\**

## CAMP HIGH FIVE

Haynes-Inman Education Center

200 Haynes Rd,

Jamestown, NC, 27282

[www.greensboro-nc.gov/AIR](http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/AIR)

336.207.1178

**Type:** contact Ashley Collier at 336.207.1178

**Ages:** 4 and up, by invitation only

**Type of Disability:** Hemiplegia

**Description:** A Constraint Induced Movement Therapy (CIMT) Camp. Campers are selected by invitation only; basic criteria for campers is they should have hemiplegia and be at least 4 years old.

**Cost:** Free

**Dates:** June 18-22

\*Potential campers or therapists with recommendations should contact Ashley Collier at 336.207.1178 or [ashleycollier13@me.com](mailto:ashleycollier13@me.com)

## Camp Joy

5920 Hagan-Stone Park Rd  
Pleasant Garden, NC 27313  
(336) 373-2954 or (336) 373-2735

**Type:** Day, 9am-3pm

**Ages:** 5 and up

**Type of Disability:** Various abilities including developmental, vision and hearing impairments, and physical disabilities

**Description:** Camp Joy is an inclusive camp for ages 5 and up of all abilities. The camp is a program of the Greensboro Parks and Recreation Department, provided through the Adaptive and Inclusive Recreation Services. Campers are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis with a completed and approved application and medical form. There are a limited number of spaces available in each cabin.

Sessions 1 and 2 are designed for campers with various abilities, including but not limited to developmental disabilities and visual and hearing impairments. Accessible Adventures is specifically designed for persons 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 a personal assistant accompany them at camp.

**Cost:** \$65 per week

### 2018 Camp Dates:

<b>Session 1</b>	June 18-July 6
Accessible Adventures	July 9-13
<b>Session 2</b>	July 16-August 3

**Notes:** Campers may register for one or more weeks in a session

## Camp LEAP-IN

### Mailing Address for registration:

SENSES Therapies  
LLC-6 Beech Grove Ct.  
Greensboro, NC 27455  
<http://www.sensetherapies.org/p/camp-leap-in.html>  
(336) 314 - 0760

**Type:** Half-day, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

**Ages:** 5 – 12

**Type of Disability:** Sensory processing skills, motor skills, and social skills

**Description:** This camp will provide a sensory-rich environment for all children to encourage the development of age appropriate sensory processing skills, motor skills, and social skills. Camp is sure to be loads of sensory fun and social enrichment as children Learn to Explore and Play in Nature (LEAP IN)!

**Cost:** \$250/camper (this includes a \$25 supplies fee) for all weeks; a \$50 deposit is required with your application to reserve a spot for each camper.

Registration Form Link:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B2arYVRAKdEcNUNYUndPNE8xVGJKMHh1SmFobEc0aGhUTmhN/edit>

**Dates:**

Week 1(ages 5-11)	Monsters in the Muck!	6/18 -6/21; 9:00-1:00
Week 2 (ages 5-11)	Nature Exploration!	7/ 25-6/28; 9:00-1:00
Week 3(ages 5-11)	Wild Things in the Woods!	7/ 30-8/ 2; 9:00-1:00
Week 4: (ages 5-12)	Creepy, Crawly, Creatures!	8/6-8/9; 9:00-1:00

## Camp Reach

Summerfield First Baptist Church  
2300 Scalesville Rd, Summerfield, NC 27358

<http://campreach.org/>

**Type:** Half-days, Monday – Friday

**Ages:** Various ages from children to young adults

**Type of Disability:** Severe language challenges, Augmentative Communication Issues

**Description:** Camp R.E.A.C.H. is a summer camp for children and young adults with special needs who have severe language challenges. Augmentative communication is addressed for each individual camper. We will be offering 6 summer camps over three weeks this summer.

**Note:** The camps are split by age group and ability to maximize the fun and learning potential of each camper. We are back to 2 weeks this summer but hope to take an additional 5 kids per session and adapt to the sensory needs of our campers with Autism Spectrum Disorder(ASD).

**Dates:**

July 9-13, 2018 (9:00-11:30) “Gizmos, Gadgets and Things that Go” (Ages 3-10)

Paint with a pendulum, Make a robot dance across the room, and send a marshmallow flying with a catapult.

July 9-13, 2018 (1:00-3:30) “Gizmos, Gadgets and Things that Go” ( Ages 10+)

Paint with a pendulum, Make a robot dance across the room, and send a marshmallow flying with a catapult.

July 16-20, 2018 (9:00-11:30) “The Greatest Show-a week of dramatic play” (Ages 3-10)

Join us as we sing and dance our way through painting sets, picking out costumes, and getting into acting.

## Horsepower

8001 Leabourne Road  
Colfax, NC 27235, USA

<https://www.horsepower.org/aboutus>

(336) 931 - 1424

**Description:** This camp is open to individuals with disabilities, and will be offered from 9-12pm.

Contact Emily Mann at: 336-931-1424 or [ride@horsepower.org](mailto:ride@horsepower.org) for more information.

## **Camp Costs: TBD**

**2018 Camp Dates:** Week of July 23

**Description:** There is also a camp offered in conjunction with UNCG for those with speech-related goals. This is a two-week camp and will also be 9-12pm. It will be **July 9-20th**. They can use the same contact information as above.

**2018 Camp Dates:** July 9 – 20<sup>th</sup>

## **Hugs Camp**

Haw River State Park

339 Conference Center Dr.

Browns Summit, NC 27214

<http://www.dionc.org/Youth/hugs-camp.html>

(800) 448-8775

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 8 and up

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**Description:** HUGS is a unique camp for unique people, bringing together young people of diverse abilities. They overcome barriers of real and imagined differences and build bridges of understanding. Helping Understand God through Sharing: HUGS is about acknowledging the good creation in each of us, and more fully knowing and loving our God through it. The great differences among campers and staff help all of us learn to appreciate and celebrate our diversity as we recognize our common ground.

HUGS is about shared experiences: 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.

Throughout the week, the campers live, play, and sing together. Camp is held at [The Summit](#) in [Haw River State Park](#). The Camp family stays in the cabins and activities are in gym/pool area, the lodge, youth facility, and games on the recreation field. Come join in a camp where diversities are celebrated and understood!

**Cost:** \$420

**2018 Camp Dates:** Monday, July 9 – Saturday, July 14

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

## **I Can Swim Greensboro**

Greensboro Aquatic Center

1921 W Gate City Blvd

Greensboro, NC 27403

<https://icanshine.org/ican-swim-greensboro-nc/>

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 3 and up

**Type of Disability:** Any disability

**Description:** The iCan Swim goal is to teach the foundation for safely enjoying the aquatic environment and promoting as much independent movement in the water as possible. The iCan Swim program is not aquatic therapy, rather a program to teach and encourage enjoyment of the water as a leisure recreational activity.

**Cost:** TBD, but is approximated to be set at \$150

**Camp Dates:** June 11-15th

**2018 Registration Information:**

Additional registration details is listed on the I Can Shine website ([icanshine.org](http://icanshine.org)). Anyone with questions, call Ashley Collier at 336.207.1178.

## I Can Bike Greensboro

Greensboro Coliseum  
1921 W Gate City Blvd  
Greensboro, NC 27403

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 3 and up

**Type of Disability:** Any disability

**Camp Dates:** August 13-17th

The iCan Bike goal is to teach participants how to ride a two wheel bicycle independently.

Camp is open to those with disabilities, age 8 or older, and who meet other criteria such as minimum height and maximum weight.

**Cost:** TBD, but is approximated to be set at \$185; Public Registration will open by March 1st

Registration details will be on the I can Bike Greensboro Facebook page ([Facebook.com/icanbikegreensboro](https://www.facebook.com/icanbikegreensboro)) and the I Can Shine website ([icanshine.org](http://icanshine.org))

For additional information, contact Joanna Lower at 336.587.4698 or <https://www.facebook.com/icanbikegreensboro>

**High Point Parks and Recreation – *Other Summer Camp Resources:***

<https://www.highpointnc.gov/1988/Summer-Camp>

## Camp Ann

136 Northpoint Avenue  
High Point, NC 27262  
336-883-8519

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 6 – adults

**Type of Disability:** Various disabilities

**Description:** Camp Ann is a weekly summer day camp experience for kids (ages 6+) and adults with disabilities offered by High Point Parks & Recreation. Arts & crafts, field trips, swimming and outdoor recreation with lunch and snack provided.

**Cost:** \$35 per week for High Point residents/\$50 per week for non-residents.

**Camp dates:** TBD

**Note:** Please call the High Point Parks & Recreation Special Populations office at: 336-883-3481 to learn more.

## Sickle Cell Camp

PO Box 20964

Greensboro, NC 27420

<https://www.piedmonthhealthservices.org/sickle-cell-camp>

(336) 274-1507

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 6 – 16

**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 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, game night, movie night and dance.

**Cost:** Free- space is limited

**2018 Camp Dates:** July 29-August 3, 2018

**Notes:** The camp is held at Camp Carefree in Stokesdale, NC. Scholarships are available. For more information, contact Monica Summers, Program Director, Piedmont Health Services and Sickle Cell Agency at (336) 274-1507. Deadline to apply is May 31, 2018.

## Henderson County

### Camp Living Wonders

1415 Country Road 1109

Zirconia, NC 28790

<http://www.camplivingwonders.org/>

(678) 888-2CLW (2259)

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 7 and up

**Type of Disability:** Various cognitive and developmental disabilities

**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 Wonders engages high functioning children ages 7-25 with disabilities including, but not limited to, Autism Spectrum Disorders, Down'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 that 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.

**Cost:** Varies

**2018 Camp Dates:** TBD

**Notes:** Scholarships available

## Carolina Pediatric Therapy Camp Crayon

510A Fleming Street  
Hendersonville, NC 28739  
[www.campcrayon.com](http://www.campcrayon.com)

(828) 670-8056

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** Kindergarten – 5<sup>th</sup> 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

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long camps, July-August. Check website for more information.

## Talisman Camp

64 Gap Creek Road  
Zirconia, NC 28790  
<http://talismancamps.com/>

(828) 697-6313

**Type:** Co-ed, Overnight

**Ages:** 6-22

**Type of Disability:** Autism Spectrum Disorder, Asperger's, 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:** Various on length of session from \$1400 to \$4080

**2018 Camp Dates:**

Session 1                      June 9- June 21

Session 2                      June 24-July 10

Session 3

July 13- July 29

Session 4

August 1-August 6

## Jackson County

### **SOAR (Success Oriented Achievement Realized)**

PO Box 388

Balsam, NC 28707

[www.soarnc.org](http://www.soarnc.org)

(828) 456-3435

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 8 to 24

**Type of Disability:** Learning disabilities and ADHD

**Description:** Features a success-oriented, high adventure program for preteens, teens, and adults. Emphasis is placed on developing self-confidence, social skills, and life skills through incredible outdoor adventures. Activities include backpacking, rafting, rock climbing, llama trekking, fishing, surfing, kayaking, scuba diving and more. A weekend-long Family Weekend Adventure is offered in the spring.

**Cost:** \$250 registration deposit; tuition is \$3,300 to \$5,300 per session depending on length; family weekend is \$1,800 per family of 4.

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various 12, 18 and 26 day long sessions June-August, organized by theme; see website for exact dates. Family Adventure Weekend is May 11-13.

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

## Lee County

### **Happy Day Camp**

San-Lee Park

572 Pumping Station Road

Sanford, NC 27330

<https://www.autismspeaks.org/resource/happy-day-camp>

(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

**2018 Camp Dates:**

Ages 5-10      Week of June 20th  
Ages 11-14    Week of June 27th  
Ages 15+      Week of July 11th

## Mecklenburg County

### Brace Family YMCA Camp Boomerang

9760 Happy Valley Drive  
Charlotte, NC 28270  
Mailing Address:  
3127 Weddington Road  
Matthews, NC 28105

<https://www.ymcacharlotte.org/branches/south/siskey/camps/camp-boomerang.aspx>  
[bracefamilycampboomerang@ymcacharlotte.org](mailto:bracefamilycampboomerang@ymcacharlotte.org)

(704) 716-4310

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 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 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.

**Cost:** \$295/week for YMCA members and \$370/week for non-members

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 25-August 3 (Weekly Registration)

**Notes:** Registration takes place on a first-come first-serve basis in person at the Brace Family YMCA branch beginning on March 1<sup>st</sup> for Members and March 15<sup>th</sup> for non-members. Campers are limited to three sessions. Financial aid is available based on family income. For more info email [bracefamilycampboomerang@ymcacharlotte.org](mailto:bracefamilycampboomerang@ymcacharlotte.org).

### Camp Trusted Parents

1914 JN Pease Place  
Charlotte, NC 28262  
Mailing Address:  
P.O. Box 480688  
Charlotte, NC 28269

<http://www.trustedparents.org/camp>

(980) 229-7253

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** Rising 2<sup>nd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders

**Type of Disability:** Intellectual and developmental disabilities

**Description:** Our program offers a socialization opportunity that will minimize the invisible line that often separates individuals with special needs, from their typical behavior peers. Camp Trusted Parents focuses on building

friendships between children with and without special needs, through the use of therapeutic activities and traditional camp recreation, designed to promote fun and socialization.

Our campers will engage in playground fun, arts and crafts, field trips, therapy, and much more. Every child will experience a new and unique adventure every week at Camp Trusted Parents.

**Cost:** Alums Tuition Rate \$230, per weekly session

**Camp Dates:**

Week 1	June 11-15
Week 2	June 18-22
Week 3	June 25-29
Week 4	July 2-6 (closed for the 4 <sup>th</sup> )
Week 5	July 9-13
Week 6	July 16-20
Week 7	July 23-27
Week 8	July 30-August 3

**Notes:** Financial assistance is available. Application is online. \$75 registration fee must still be paid.

### Johnston YMCA Summer Day Camps

3025 N. Davidson St  
Charlotte, NC 28205

<https://www.ymcacharlotte.org/branches/east/johnston/camps/camp-guide-registration.aspx>

(704) 716-6323

**Type:** Day, Traditional, Sports, Arts, Preschool and Teens

**Ages:** 3-16

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**Description:** Campers discover and build skills while working as a team doing activities like swimming, games and challenges. Several different camps with different themes are offered. Please see the website for more details.

**Cost:** \$75-\$140 per session for Charlotte YMCA members; \$115-\$180 for nonmembers. Prices vary by session, see website for exact rates.

**2018 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 for Charlotte YMCA Members February 1st, for non-members February 15th

### McCrorey YMCA Summer Day Camps

3801 Beatties Road  
Charlotte, NC 28216

<https://www.ymcacharlotte.org/branches/west/mccrorey/camps.aspx>

(704) 716-6500

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 3-18

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**Description:** The McCrory YMCA offers a variety of camps to meet the needs of the entire family. From Preschool Camps, Traditional Day Camps, Sports Camps, Arts Camps and Teen Camps, our programs offer quality-filled experiences that developed the whole child/teen!

**Cost:** \$127 per week for members of the YMCA. \$147 per week for those who are not members of the YMCA. Financial assistance is available.

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 12-August 25

**Notes:** Breakfast, lunch and snack provided! Weekly field trips and swimming are also apart of program.

## MDA Summer Camp at Bethelwoods

1515 Mockingbird Ln.

Charlotte, NC 28209

[www.mda.org](http://www.mda.org)

(704) 567-2912

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 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.

**Cost:** Free

**2018 Camp Dates:** July 30 – August 4

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

## Mecklenburg Therapeutic Recreation Programs

2219 Tyvola Rd.

Charlotte, NC

<https://www.mecknc.gov/parkandrec/therapeutics/summerdaycamp/pages/default.aspx?redirect=charmack>

(980) 314-1300 or (980) 314-1314

**Type:** Day Camp

**Ages:** 2 – 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:** \$100 per session

**2018 Camp Dates:** TBD

## New Hanover County

### Spring Camp Cheerio

1430 Camp Cheerio Rd  
Glade Valley, NC 28627

[www.springcampcheerio.org](http://www.springcampcheerio.org)

(704) 798-1094

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 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

**2018 Camp Dates:** May 18-20

**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/](http://www.carrbororec.org/)

(919) 918-7364

**Type:** Day Camp

**Ages:** 3 – 17

**Type of Disability:** Inclusive

**Description:** 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 registration fee (non-refundable); \$90-\$165 per week depending on camp

**2018 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

[www.med.unc.edu/burn/aftercare-programs-temp/camp-celebrate-1](http://www.med.unc.edu/burn/aftercare-programs-temp/camp-celebrate-1)

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 7 to 18

**Type of Disability:** Burn Survivors

**Description:** An annual camping experience for children who are current or former patients of the NC Jaycee Burn Center at UNC Hospitals. 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. There is also a teen camp for adolescent burn survivors, ages 13 to 18 who have not graduated high school, at Camp New Hope. Teens ages 16-18 can serve as Counselors-in-Training.

**Cost:** Free

**2018 Camp Dates:** May 18-20

**Notes:** For more information, contact Michele Barr at (984) 974-1599 or [Michele.barr@unchealth.unc.edu](mailto:Michele.barr@unchealth.unc.edu).

## Pitt County

### Camp Escape

Drew Steele Center  
1058 South Elm Street  
Greenville, NC 27858

<http://www.greenvillenc.gov/government/recreation-parks/camps/day-camps>

(252) 329-4270

**Type:** Day

**Ages:** 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:** \$75 per week for non-residents (\$60 for the week of July 4th); discounted fee of \$50 per session for Greenville residents (\$40 for week of July 5-7).

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 11-August 3 (no camp July 4). Various week-long sessions June-August organized by theme, see website for exact dates. Camps are Monday-Friday, 9am-3pm.

**Notes:** Greenville Recreation & Parks Department (GRPD) continues to make strides to offer inclusive programming opportunities for individuals with disabilities. These inclusive camps allow individuals with disabilities to participate in a typical day camp. Camp activities are modified to meet the needs of the camper with disabilities. An Inclusion Specialist will work with the camper, as well as camp staff, to ensure the camper excels mentally, physically, and socially. GRPD has experienced growth in our inclusive camps each year and we look forward to continuing this success. All camps offered through Greenville Recreation & Parks are open to individuals with and without

disabilities. Staff will work with parents to ensure proper accommodations are made for each camper. In an effort to positively impact more individuals, GRPD offers financial assistance to those who qualify. For more information concerning camps, contact Brent Harpe at 252.329.4541 or email [atbharpe@greenvillenc.gov](mailto:atbharpe@greenvillenc.gov)

## **Randolph County**

### **Camp Free Spirit**

Kopper Top Life Learning Center, Inc.  
6657Kimesville Road  
Liberty, NC 27298

<http://www.koppertop.org>

(336) 565-9723

**Type:** Half-day mornings, Monday – Friday

**Ages:** 2 and up

**Description:** Camp FreeSpirit is a half-day summer camp. Campers learn about the care and handling of horses, as well as horse sense and safety. By the end of the week, they have learned how to groom, tack, and ride! Each camper is assigned a horse for the duration of the week and works with that horse and develops a relationship with it. Each camper is assigned a partner to help with the care of their horse. Campers learn how to work together as a team and take turns as they share the responsibilities of grooming and the pleasures of riding that particular horse.

**Cost:** TBD

#### **Camp Dates:**

June 18-22

June 25-29

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

\*Contact camp for information about Innovations Waiver and other services

### **Keyauwee Program Center**

2574 Sweetbriar Rd.

Sophia, NC 27350

<http://www.camplikeagirl.org/>

(336) 861-1198

**Type:** Day and Overnight

**Ages:** 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 a 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 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!

**Cost:** \$135 to \$900 per session, depending on length and type (day or overnight). See website for exact prices.

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long sessions in June, July and August organized by age group and theme, see website for exact dates. Day camps are Monday-Friday, 8:45am-4pm are there are transportation options for these days.

**Notes:** Girls do not need to be a Girl Scout to attend this camp. Early bird discounts for those who register before March 14. There is an open house on April 15<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-5pm. Come down to Keyauwee to take a tour of camp, check out accommodations, meet the staff and more!

## Victory Junction

4500 Adam's Way

Randleman, NC 27317

[www.victoryjunction.org](http://www.victoryjunction.org)

(336) 498-9055

[camperadmissions@victoryjunction.org](mailto:camperadmissions@victoryjunction.org)

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 6 – 16

**Type of Disability:** Chronic or serious medical condition

**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

### 2018 Camp Dates:

June 10-14	Cerebral Palsy
June 17-21	Diabetes
June 24-28	Bleeding & Gastrointestinal Disorders: Neurological & Genetic Disorders
July 1-2	Sickle Cell
July 8-12	Heart, Lung, Kidney, & Immunological Disorders
July 15-19	Rheumatic disease, cancer
July 22-26	General session
July 29-August 2	Spina Bifida & Neuromuscular disorders
August 5-9	Physical Disabilities & Craniofacial anomalies

\*See website for spring and fall family weekend dates

## Richmond County

### Camp Sertoma

1296 Mallard Drive

Ellerbe, NC 28338

<http://campsertomaclub.org>

(301) 620-2254

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 8 – 16

**Type of Disability:** Deaf and hard of hearing

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

**Cost:** \$25 deposit (additional \$25 late fee if registering after May 1); \$500 per camper (includes deposit)

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 24-29

**Notes:** Campers are accepted on a first-come first-serve basis. Financial assistance available.

## Stokes County

### Camp Carolina Trails

YMCA Camp Hanes

1225 Camp Hanes Road

King, NC 27021

[www.diabetes.org/adacampcarolinatrails](http://www.diabetes.org/adacampcarolinatrails)

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

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 7 – 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 (includes non-refundable \$100 deposit)

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 11 – June 17

**Notes:** Fee may be waived in cases of financial hardship

## Camp Hanes YMCA

1225 Camp Hanes Road

King, NC 27021

[www.camphanes.org](http://www.camphanes.org)

(336) 983-3131

**Type:** Day and overnight

**Ages:** 6 – 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; \$245-\$1609 per session, depending on camper age and day or overnight camp

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long sessions June 17-August 3 organized by age (6-15), 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](http://www.adventureamputeecamp.org)

(703) 568-0074

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 8 – 17

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

**Description:** Held in the mountains of North Carolina, 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

**2018 Camp Dates:** July 12-16

**Notes:** Scholarships are available based on family income.

### SEE Adventure Camp

Nantahala Outdoor Center, Bryson City, NC

[jhardwig@ifbsolutions.org](mailto:jhardwig@ifbsolutions.org)

828-335-1136

**Type:** Residential, Co-Ed

**Ages:** 13 – 19

**Type of disability:** Blind or Visual Impairment

**Description:** Overnight outdoor adventure camp for kids who are blind or have a significant visual impairment, and who are ready to stretch their legs and hit the trail. We plan to hike, raft, climb, swim, and zip in and around the Nantahala Gorge in Western North Carolina. We'll stay in bunkhouses at the Nantahala Outdoor Center Basecamp.

**Cost:** Less than \$100. Financial assistance available

**2018 Camp Dates:** Sunday, July 22, through Thursday, July 26, 2018

## YMCA Camp Watia

Summer Address (May-August):

5030 Watia Road

Bryson City, NC 28713

Winter Address (September-April):

201 Beaverdam Road

Asheville, NC 28804

[www.ymcacampwatia.org](http://www.ymcacampwatia.org)

(828) 209-9600

**Type:** Residential, Co-Ed

**Ages:** 7-17

**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:** \$598-885 per week. Financial assistance is available

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various one week or longer sessions June through August. See website for exact dates.

## Transylvania County

### Camp Pisgah Girl Scout Camp

570 Girl Scout Camp Rd.

Brevard, NC 28712

<http://www.camplikeagirl.org/camp-pisgah-summer-day-camp>

(828) 862-4435

**Type:** Day, Residential, Family

**Ages:** 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:** 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:** \$145 to \$900 per session, depending on lengths and type (day or overnight). See website for exact prices.

**2018 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 members of the Girl Scouts to attend this camp. Early bird discounts for those who register before March 15. Some scholarships are available based on family income.

## Wake County

### Camp Exploration

2401 Wade Avenue

Raleigh, NC 27607

<https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/content/ParksRec/Articles/Programs/SRIS/SummerCamps.html>

(919) 996-2147

**Type:** Day

**Age:** 16 – 21

**Type of Disability:** All disabilities

**Description:** Activities include fitness, nature and science, music, games, functional economics, and arts and crafts designed for campers with various developmental or physical disabilities. Campers will take field trips to enhance their community, leisure and life skills. Camp Exploration is offered at Marsh Creek Community Center. Hours of operation are 8:00am-5:00pm with a curriculum day of 9:00am-4:00pm. Supervised camper-choice activities will be available for arrival and dismissal hours. Weekly sessions beginning June 18 through August 17.

The **Day Session** is for campers with disabilities who can engage in a small group setting (approximately 6-8 campers with 2-3 staff). Behavior: staff will provide positive behavior support, redirection, preferred activities and use behavior support strategies provided by families. Campers are expected to exhibit appropriate camp behavior, without presenting a safety concern to themselves, other campers or staff. Feeding: staff will provide verbal and visual prompting, reminders, assist with placement of food, break up food into small pieces, open containers for the camper. Campers should be able to physically feed themselves. Participation: staff will engage campers through multiple means of instruction, sensory engagement, supported transitions, and program modifications. Campers are expected to stay with their group, follow given/modeled direction, and demonstrate engagement during camp activities, during transitions, and in the community on field trips. Toileting and Personal Care: staff will provide verbal and visual prompting, assist camper with pull-up/diaper and/or clothing. Campers should be able to clean/wipe themselves with minimal assistance from staff.

The **Personal Assistant Session** is for campers needing more support for behavior, feeding, mobility, participation or personal care & toileting. **Families must provide their own personal assistant and register for the Personal Assistant Session.** Campers will be included with other campers and groups throughout the camp day. The City of Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department Personal Assistant Policy requires paperwork to be submitted from both the service provider and the parent/guardian of the participant for approval. These forms must be submitted no less than 2 weeks prior to the Personal Assistant attending camp. Forms not submitted by the appropriate deadline will not be processed in time and the Personal Assistant may not be authorized to attend camp.

**Cost:** \$150 per week except the week of July 2-6 where it will be \$120

**2018 Camp Dates:** Weekly sessions beginning June 18 through August 17. Camp is open Monday – Friday, 8am-5pm. Visit website for full listing.

**Notes:** Some scholarships are available for requests; contact Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department Business Office at (919) 996-4800.

## Camp Friendly

2401 Wade Avenue  
Raleigh, NC 27607

<https://www.raleighnc.gov/parks/content/ParksRec/Articles/Programs/SRIS/SummerCamps.html>

(919) 996-2147

**Type:** Day

**Age:** 6 – 15

**Type of Disability:** All disabilities

**Description:** Campers participate in games, nature, music and movement, arts and crafts and field trips created for those with various developmental or physical disabilities. Camp Friendly is offered at two locations: Durant Nature Preserve and Carolina Pines Community Center. Hours of operation are 8:00am – 5:00pm.

The **Day Session** is for campers with disabilities who can engage in a small group setting. **Mini sessions** are available for campers who need more individualized assistance. The **Personal Assistant Session** is for campers needing more support. **Families must provide their own personal assistant and register for the Personal Assistant Session.** Please review more detailed descriptions with specific expectations can be found at the weblink above.

**Cost:** \$150 per week except the week of July 2-6 where it will be \$120.

**2018 Camp Dates:** Weekly sessions beginning June 18 through August 17. Camp is open Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm.

**Notes:** Some scholarships are available for requests; contact Raleigh Parks, Recreation and Cultural Resources Department Business Office at (919) 996-4800.

## Camp G.R.A.C.E.

9216 Baileywick Rd  
Raleigh, NC 27615

[www.ymcatriangle.org/programs-and-services/camps/camp-grace-north-raleigh](http://www.ymcatriangle.org/programs-and-services/camps/camp-grace-north-raleigh)

(919) 848-9622

**Type:** Day, Monday-Friday, 9am-2:30pm

**Ages:** 5 – 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.

**Cost:** \$462/week – Members; \$554/week – Non-members

**2018 Camp Dates:**

June 19-June 30	Social Skills
July 3-July 14	Building Blocks
July 17-July 28	Social Skills
July 31-August 11	Building Blocks

**Notes:** Some financial assistance is available based on family income

**Happiness Retreat**

Baptist Convention  
205 Convention Drive  
Cary, NC 27512

[www.ncbaptist.org](http://www.ncbaptist.org)

(800) 395-5102 Ext. 5630 or (919) 459-5630

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 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 Baptist State Convention of NC, the retreat is set up similar to Vacation Bible School and includes Bible study, puppets, creative movement, pool time, hand bells, worship and a talent show. Several retreats fill up quickly so register early.

**Cost:** Approximately \$170.00 per person

**2018 Camp Dates:**

Western Happiness Retreat	Hayesville, June 1-3
Happiness Retreat #1	Asheboro, July 27-29
Happiness Retreat #2	Asheboro, July 29-31
Happiness Retreat #3	Asheboro, August 1-3
Happiness Retreat #4	Asheboro, August 3-5

**OUT-OF-STATE CAMPS****Maine****Camp Sunshine at Sebago Lake**

35 Acadia Way  
Casco, ME 04015

[www.campsunshine.org](http://www.campsunshine.org)

(207) 655-3800

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** Children birth to 18 years old and their families

**Type of Disability:** Children with life threatening illness (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 meet other parents, siblings, and children facing similar challenges, while reconnecting with each other and participating in camp programming.

**Cost:** Free

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long/weekend programs offered year round, organized by type of illness. See website for dates and applications: [www.campsunshine.org](http://www.campsunshine.org) and [Camp Sunshine Video](#)

## Pennsylvania

### **Camp Lee Mar**

805 Redgate Rd  
Dresher, PA 19025

[www.leemar.com](http://www.leemar.com)

(215) 658-1708

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 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:** \$10,950

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 24-August 11

## Georgia

### **Camp Breathe Easy**

210 South Broad Street Winder, GA 30680

[www.campbreatheeasy.com](http://www.campbreatheeasy.com)

(678) 809-6047

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** 7 – 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 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.

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

**2018 Camp Dates:** July 15-20

**Notes:** Scholarships are available based on family income.

## Virginia

### Camp Easter Seals UCP

900 Camp Easter Seals RD

New Castle, VA 24127

[www.campeastersealsucp.com](http://www.campeastersealsucp.com)

Mailing address:

201 E. Main Street

Salem, VA 24153

(540) 777-7325

**Type:** Overnight

**Age:** 6 – adult

**Type of Disability:** All disabilities

**Description:** Camp Easter Seals Virginia 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.

**Cost:** \$75 registration fee; \$1000 per week, partial scholarships available

#### **2018 Camp Dates:**

Spring Respite Weekend            April 6 – 8

Spring Family Weekend            April 13 – April 15

#### **Adult Sessions (Ages 21- up)**

May 27 – June 7

June 10 – June 21

#### **Kid/Young Adult Session (7-22)**

June 24 – July 5

July 8 – July 19

#### **Family Camp**

July 30 – August 4

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

### Camp Holiday Trails

400 Holiday Trails Lane

Charlottesville, VA 22903

<http://www.campholidaytrails.org/>

(434) 977-3781

**Type:** Overnight

**Age:** 5 to 17

**Type of Diagnosis:** Various diagnoses including asthma, epilepsy, diabetes, arthritis, bleeding disorders, cardiac disease, transplants, sickle cell, etc.

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

**Cost:** Prices are \$125-\$600 per session; call camp office for more specific information.

**2018 Camp Dates:** Various week-long sessions June-August, see website for exact dates.

**Notes:** Some financial assistance is available based on family income

## West Virginia

### CCFA Camp Oasis

Camp Tall Timbers

High View, WV 26808

<http://www.crohnscolitisfoundation.org/get-involved/camp-oasis/find-a-camp/>

(646) 943-7480

**Type:** Overnight

**Ages:** Grades 2 to 10 / LIT's Grades 11-12

**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:** \$400

**2018 Camp Dates:** June 19-23

**Notes:** Scholarships are available to those who qualify.