

Camper Information Pages 2024

Thank you for your interest in Special Camp 2024! Please take a moment to read the following information regarding the Camper application process.

The Priority Deadline is March 15, 2024. Returning your application by this deadline allows the Staff to thoroughly review all applications and begin the session placement process. After March 15, Special Camp cannot guarantee that there will be Camper positions available. Applications are considered in the order that they are received.

APPLICATION OVERVIEW

Special Camp uses the Camper application to learn essential information about each camp participant. A copy of the application is given to the Camper's Counselor prior to the start of camp. Since diagnoses change and we have new Staff members and volunteer Counselors each summer, we ask that you thoroughly complete each section of the Camper application. You will complete the Camper application through Curacubby, our application site.

<u>Returning Camper Applicants</u>: accounts have been created for Campers who participated in Special Camp 2022 or 2023. Click on the "Returning Camper Applicants" link on our website and you will be directed to the Curacubby login page where you will be prompted to create a new password.

<u>New Camper Applicants</u>: Click on the "New Camper Applicants" link on our website and you will be directed to the Curacubby login page where you will be prompted to create an account.

Once you have submitted your application, you will receive an email confirming that Special Camp received your application. Please provide a reliable email address at which you can receive updates and other important communication from Special Camp. By submitting the application, you agree to commit to the entire session of camp. Confirmations of acceptance and session placement will be emailed by the end of April.

AGE ELIGIBILITY

Camper participants 6 - 21 years old are eligible for participation in Special Camp 2024.

TUITION AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Camper Tuition 2024 is \$675, which includes the **non-refundable \$175 registration fee**. Our Tuition partially underwrites the cost of your Camper's participation. Generous donors cover the difference! Tuition may be paid in full or by payment plans through the Curacubby program. If you prefer to pay by check or cash, please contact our office. Need-based financial assistance is available. Please contact our office to request a scholarship form.

YEAR-ROUND CONTACT

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COUNSELOR SELECTION PROCESS

All Counselors are required to apply to Special Camp. Prior to acceptance, a Special Camp Staff Member interviews each new Counselor. Counselors also attend a mandatory Training Seminar led by our Staff.

MAGNUS HEALTH FORMS

Special Camp utilizes Magnus Health to manage all medical records for our participants. Families will need to login to complete the medical release forms and other critical health information for this summer's program no later than May 15. New families will be contacted with your login credentials for Magnus Health. Returning families can login at any time to complete the required steps.

If your participant has a history of seizures, diabetes, asthma, allergies, requires prescription medication to be administered during camp hours, or has specialized medical device(s), a 2024 action plan form and/or physician's order will need to be completed by the participant's physician. Please schedule any necessary appointments to ensure that the action plan can be submitted to Special Camp by the May 15 deadline.

HOUSE VISITS

All new Camper families (and some returning Camper families) will be contacted in May to arrange a House Visit. Confirmation of acceptance is contingent upon this visit. House Visits provide our Staff, the Camper, and their family with the invaluable opportunity to get to know one another prior to the start of camp. In addition, the House Visit allows our Staff to form the best Camper-Counselor pairing possible.

Please note both the Camper applicant and a parent/guardian must be present for the entire House Visit.

CAMP DATES AND HOURS

Session One:	July 15 – 19, 2024	Mondays:	9:00am – 3:00pm
		Tuesdays:	9:00am – 3:00pm
Session Two:	July 22 – 26, 2024	Wednesdays:	9:00am – 3:00pm
		Thursdays:	9:00am – 4:30pm
Session Three:	July 29 – August 2, 2024	Fridays:	9:00am – 3:30pm*
			*Geraldine Parent Family Reception &
			Awards Ceremony, 2:00pm – 3:30pm



Special Camp 2024 CAMPER CHECKLIST

NEW Camper Applicants				
	Camper Application	ASAP		
	Tuition Payment	ASAP		
	Magnus Health Portal	ASAP		
	Asthma Action Plan, Seizure	May 15		
	Action Plan, Diabetes Action			
	Plan, FARE Form, Prescription			
	Med Form, and/or Physician's			
	Order (if applicable)			
	New Camper House Visit	May/early June		

RETURNING Camper Applicants				
	Camper Application	ASAP		
	Tuition Payment	ASAP		
	Magnus Health Portal	ASAP		
	Asthma Action Plan, Seizure	May 15		
	Action Plan, Diabetes Action			
	Plan, FARE Form, Prescription			
	Med Form, and/or Physician's			
	Order (if applicable)			

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Mondays

ON CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Get to know your Counselor as you visit themed Activity Centers such as sports, games, art, music, and sensory integration!

OFF CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Previously, Special Camp has visited local parks and zoos. Stay tuned for a new addition to 2024's schedule!



Tuesdays

ADVENTURE CITY

The little theme park that is BIG on fun! Venture on a variety of rides, visit the petting zoo, or play in the arcade.



Wednesdays

ON CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Enjoy the Activity Centers, dance to the music from a live DJ, take a photo with your Counselor and paint a picture frame!







DOHENY STATE BEACH

Splash in the waves, play on the sand, or engage in activities at the picnic tables. The world is your oyster!



KNOTT'S BERRY FARM

Explore a variety of rides, games, and shows with your Counselor! All participants will be in small groups of similar interests led by Staff.



ON CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Do you have a talent? If so, perform on stage in front of all Campers and Counselors! Prefer to watch? That's fine, too!



Where a kid can be a kid! Enjoy 2 hours of unlimited play. Earn e-tickets to redeem at the prize counter. Pizza will be served!

GERALDINE PARENT FAMILY RECEPTION AND AWARDS CEREMONY

Families, join us to celebrate a fun-filled and memorable session from 2:00pm - 3:30pm!





