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Adapted Physical Education / Special Olympics
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2009 Summer Camp Resource Guide

Texas Lions Camp

PO Box 290247
 Kerrville, TX 78029
 (830) 896-8500
 Fax (830) 896-3666
 Web address: www.lionscamp.com

Texas Lions Camp for children with Disabilities

Texas Lions Camp provides a camp for physically disabled, hearing/vision impaired, and diabetic children from the state of Texas, regardless of race, religion, or national origin. Campers learn the “Can Do” philosophy and are allowed to achieve maximum personal growth and self-esteem. Leisure activities are supervised and include swimming, horseback riding, nature study, adventure programming, arts and crafts, and an overnight campout.

Texas Lions Camp for children with Disabilities

Session Number	Date
1	May 31-June 6
2	June 7-June 13
3	June 14-June 20
4	June 21-June 27
5	June 28-July 4
Day Camp	July 15-July 17

Texas Lions Camp for Children with Diabetes

To Attend Camp:

- Campers must be a resident of Texas.
- Campers must be between the ages of 8-15 prior to the beginning of their session.
- Campers must be insulin dependent, and be diagnosed as having Type 1 Diabetes.
- Parents/guardians must complete and submit an application form and receive notification of approval from Camp.
- Each camper must have a Lion sponsor. (The Camp would be happy to assist you in locating a sponsor for your child).

Texas Lions Camp for children with Diabetes

Session Number	Date
1	July 19-July 25
2	July 26-Aug 1

Texas Elks Camp

1963 FM 1586

Gonzales, TX 78629

(830) 875-2425

Fax (830) 875-5455

Email: txelks@gvec.net

Web address: <http://www.texaselkscamp.org>

Ages: 7-15 (depending on circumstance)

Texas Elks Camp provides camp opportunities to any child with a disability *not requiring* one-on-one care, who is a resident of Texas. Campers participate in swimming, fishing, horseback riding, hiking, arts and crafts, cookouts, teambuilding, leadership skills, talent show, field trips, bowling, and dancing. Campers are encouraged to make their own choices and become more independent. Final results are improved self-esteem and a willingness to accept new challenges. There is no fee required to attend camp. However, applications are accepted on a “first-come, first-serve” basis.

Camp C.A.M.P.

PO Box 27086

San Antonio, TX 78227

210-671-5411

Email: campmail@campcamp.org

Web address: <http://www.campcamp.org>

Children’s Association for Maximum Potential (C.A.M.P.) provides a wide range of recreational, rehabilitative, educational, and respite services for children with developmental disabilities and their families. C.A.M.P. programs provide the medical support to ensure that every child, regardless of the degree of medical needs, will be able to participate in all programs. Camper-ships (scholarships) are available, but you must meet criteria.

Camp C.A.M.P. Sessions 2009

Session	Date	Description
1-Adult	May 24-29	This session is open for adults (aged 22-45) with mild to severe impairments. Wheelchairs are accepted in this session.
2-Adult	May 31-June 5	This session is open for adults (aged 22-45) with mild to severe impairments. Wheelchairs are accepted in this session.

3-Autism	June 14-19	This session is open for campers (aged 5-21) with Autism/PDD. No Asperger's this session.
4-Physical	June 21-26	This session is open for campers (aged 5-21) with physical impairments but limited or no mental impairments. Example of diagnoses: Spina Bifida, mild Cerebral Palsy, Spinal Injuries. There is limited availability for campers who need placement in the infirmary for 24 hour nursing care.
5-General	June 28-July 3	This session open to campers (aged 5-21) with mild to moderate mental impairments. No Autism and no wheelchairs this session. Example diagnoses: Mental Retardation, Down, Asperger's.
6-Autism	July 12-17	This session is open for <i>male campers</i> (aged 5-21) with Autism/PDD. No Asperger's this session. Female siblings are allowed.
7-Medical	July 19-24	This session is open for campers (aged 5-21) with moderate to severe physical or medical impairments. Children who are very medically involved should strongly consider this session. There is limited availability for campers who need placement in the infirmary for 24 hour nursing care.
8-General	July 26-31	This session is open to campers (aged 5-21) with mild to moderate mental impairments. No Autism and no wheelchairs this session. Example of diagnoses: Mental Retardation, Down, Asperger's.
9-Blended (New Session)	Aug 2-7	This session is open for campers (aged 13-28) with moderate to severe physical/medical impairments or mild to moderate mental impairments with limited behavioral issues. Campers who are very medically involved should strongly consider this session. There is limited availability for campers who need placement in the infirmary for 24 hour nursing care.

R.O.P.E.R. (Riding Opportunities Promoting Exceptional Riders)

P. O. Box 201512

San Antonio, TX 78220-8512

210-633-2042

Email roperapp@yahoo.com

Web address: www.freewebs.com/roperapp

R.O.P.E.R. (Riding Opportunities Promoting Exceptional Riders) offers a variety of riding types that will enable you to become the best rider you can be. Whether you are a rider that can only walk, or one that can ride all gaits of the horse, you are welcome here at R.O.P.E.R. If you are a person with disabilities, or have a family member with disabilities, and are interested in horseback riding but have not found the program for you, give us a call.

R.O.P.E.R. offers all-inclusive Summer Camps, Thanksgiving Camps, and Holiday Camps. Games and activities on horseback are the focus, along with improving the areas of weaknesses of the riders during the recreational horseback camps.

Summer Camps are offered in June, July, and the first week of August, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Additional Options

The following camp list is provided with contact phone numbers if you want to seek further information. We are listing camps, general locations, and specialty areas.

Camp A.O.K.

Children with cancer treated at M.D. Anderson
Houston area, (713) 792-3362

Camp Adventure

Children with CP and other disabilities, plus kids without disabilities (would be good for siblings). 85 miles SW of Dallas, (800) 798-1492

Camp John Marc

For children with chronic illness or physical disabilities. 85Miles SW of Dallas,
(214) 360-0056

Camp Lone Star

For children with orthopedic, auditory and visual impairments, and mental retardation.
Between Houston and Austin in LaGrange, Texas, (800) 362-2078

Camp Periwinkle

For children with cancer. Between Houston and Austin, (713) 661-4960

Down Home Ranch

For adults and children with mental retardation and physical disabilities. NE of Austin, (512) 856-0128 or (888) 926-2253

Greene Family Camp

For children with muscular dystrophy. Near Waco, (254) 859-5411

Sea Camp – Tamug

Texas A&M program for children with learning disabilities, ages 6-11. In Galveston, (409) 740 4525

The Camp That Love Built

For children with spina bifida. Between Houston and Austin, (713) 473-8035

TIRR Sports Camp

For children with physical disabilities. Between Houston and Austin, (713) 528-0123

Texas Commission for the Blind in Austin, now under the Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services (DARS), has several camp sessions. Ask for information through the DARS Office in San Antonio, (800) 687-7039

Camp BRONCHO

c/o American Lung Association of Texas
4502 Centerview Drive, Suite 116
San Antonio, Texas 78228
(210) 734- 5864

Summer camp for children with asthma. Call for more information.

Camp Dermadillo (*recently discovered camp that looks promising*)

Burton, Texas

For more information on Camp For All

www.campforall.org

Camp For All in Burton, Texas, located between Houston and Austin in the rolling hills of Washington County, is a unique camping and retreat facility that strives to enrich the lives of people with special needs.

The 206-acre camp site purchased in 1996 was once part of a working ranch and features more than 100,000 square feet of facilities, two lakes, nature trails, wooded

areas and cleared areas for activities such as horseback riding and field sports. The facility is fully accessible and designed to foster campers' independence, and features wide, gently sloping concrete walkways linking facilities and maximizing mobility for campers in wheelchairs.

Camp Summit, Inc *(recently discovered camp that looks promising)*

Office: 17210 Campbell Road, Suite 180-W

Dallas, Texas 75252

(972)484-8900

(972)620-1945 FAX

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

We are located in Argyle, Texas, just north of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex on 117 acres of land. We are a United Way partner agency, accredited by the American Camping Association and licensed as a Youth Camp in the State of Texas.

The mission of Camp Summit is to provide barrier-free outdoor experiences that promote personal growth and foster independence for children and adults with disabilities. Our campers range in age from six to adulthood and may be developmentally delayed, physically challenged, dual sensory impaired (deaf and blind) or have multiple disabilities.

Additional Summer Opportunities

Kinetic Kids

PO Box 690993

San Antonio, Texas 78269-0993

Great summer and year round sports and recreation opportunities for children with disabilities in the San Antonio area.

Summer programs are available. Please refer to website: www.kinetickidsTX.org or call (210)748- JUMP.

Eva's Heroes

11107 Wurzbach Rd., Ste. 203

San Antonio, TX 78230

(210)694-9090

(210)694-9092

Web address: <http://www.evasheroes.org/>

The Eva's Heroes Enrichment Center program provides an inclusive environment for individuals 14-21 years of age to interact and learn with their peers, helps adolescents and young adults increase their ability to function independently and allow individuals to learn the value of teamwork.

The Eva's Heroes Summer Sessions are intended to provide an inclusive setting for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities to interact, grow, learn, and love with their typically developing peers. Some of the recreational activities offered include:

arts & crafts, sports, cooking classes, group games, computer activities, field trips, and reading.

The Motor Development Clinic

UTSA Downtown Campus in the basement of the Durango Building (0.220)

Dr. Robbi Beyer (210) 458-5435 or rbeyer@utsa.edu

Free movement program is open to all children between the ages of 5 and 13. Next summer session is July 17th. Most clients are experiencing motor difficulties due to lag in the growth and developmental process, poor social skills, or the inability to process information. Sessions throughout the year. Please call for more information.

City of San Antonio Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Recreation Program

Call Therapeutic Recreation at (210) 207-3018 or (210) 207-3048

<http://www.sanantonio.gov/sapar/therapeutic.asp?res=800&ver=true>

This Children's Summer Program is offered during the summer months of June and July. The program changed in 2007 to offer a variety of day camps and clinics at various sites throughout the city. Sessions will be from one day to all week. There is a fee for participation. Advanced registration and payment is required.

One for Autism Summer Camp

265 E. Lullwood

San Antonio, Texas 78212

(210) 680-8737

www.oneforautism.com

Several program options are available for the summer with various cost options. Call for more information or visit the website.

Northside Aquatic Center and Natatorium

7001 Culebra at 410 and the new facility at 1604 next to Ferris Stadium

The NISD Adapted Physical Education department can obtain swim passes for adapted physical education students with IEP goals. The swim pass will only be for the APE student; an adult will need to accompany the child at the pool at all times. Call 397-2406 (Ask for Nancy Smith).

Parents and Guardians,

The NISD Adapted Physical Education department has compiled this list of summer camps to assist parents with planning summer activities for their special needs children. The APE department cannot endorse any particular camp; however, we believe that parents should be fully informed of possible summer opportunities. It is often difficult for parents to find appropriate summer activities in San Antonio and the surrounding area for children with disabilities and we hope this 2009 Summer Camp Resource Guide will be helpful in your search.

Please contact me at (210)397-2406, in the NISD Adapted Physical Education office, if you have information concerning additional camps in the San Antonio area that offer recreational opportunities for special needs children.

Thank you

Nancy Smith, Lead Specialist

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