



## **“AWESOME CAMPS FOR KIDS WITH AUTISM”**

### **Our Mission**

**A-Camp provides therapeutically-driven programs to everyone with autism and their family and friends. Our mission is to create memorable experiences and promote relationships through an engaging, nurturing and adventure-based program.**

A-Camp operates 6 weeks during June and July to provide the continuity and engagement that help children with autism thrive during the summer months. Each child's unique strengths and interests are celebrated and incorporated in the daily discoveries and interactions in our sensory-rich and adventurous Camp Aldersgate location. Campers participate in camp with their typically developing peers, giving them the opportunity to grow and develop their social interaction, communication, and play skills. Our peers on the other hand, take great pride in participating at camp as role models, while learning how to accept, include, and help children with different abilities. A-Camp is a summer experience all about love, hope, and acceptance!

Action Camp serves elementary school aged children who have completed K-5<sup>th</sup> grades. Each Action Camp "Kota Pack" includes up to 7 children with autism and 3 integrated play buddies. Adventure Camp serves children who have completed 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades. Adventure Camp includes a maximum of 12 campers with autism and a minimum of 3 peer volunteers. A 1:3 counselor to child ratio is maintained in each camp. All campers participate in a stimulating, developmentally appropriate, and fun program that includes exploration, creation, adventure, music, the arts, movement and fitness, and water play.

Your child's age will determine their eligibility for Action Camp vs. Adventure Camp and as always, camper slots will be filled on a first-come, first-serve basis. Alumni campers and their siblings will be given two weeks to pre register.

## Action Camp Enrollment

Action Camp serves elementary children who have completed K-5<sup>th</sup> grade with autism spectrum disorders and their typically developing peers. (A camper is no longer eligible to participate in Action Camp if he/she has entered the 6<sup>th</sup> grade or turned 13 on/by June 1 of the current year.)

This year, Action Camp will serve 21 kids with autism and 9 of their typically developing peers each week. Campers will be split into 3 Kota Packs: Cherokee, Choctaw, & Chickasaw. Each week includes lots of multi-sensory experiences that encourage our campers to build memorable relationships as well as explore new & exciting recreational fun! Daily schedules will include camp traditions, crafts and activities, and loads of outdoor play!

Campers must sign up for all 6 weeks of camp, whether they attend or not. A 1-week break has been inserted to allow families to schedule vacations and staff to recharge.

### REQUIRED SUMMER SESSIONS FOR 2018 WILL INCLUDE:

June 11 - June 28

July 9 - July 26

### WEEKLY HOURS THIS SUMMER WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

Mondays - Wednesdays: 8:30am - 12:00pm

Thursdays: 8:30am - 1:30pm (Extended for Swim Day!)

Fridays Off!

Campers' slots will be filled as completed applications are received. A mandatory, non-refundable registration fee will be required by March 15th to maintain your camper slot. A-Camp fees this year will include:

**2018 Action Camp Tuition: \$1185.00**

Registration Fee: \$300.00

*(Non-Refundable Fee Due by March 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm)*

Remaining Parent Fee: \$885.00

*(Due in full by April 30 at 5:00pm)*

*(The direct cost per camper for Action Camp is \$2700. This direct fee coincides with our waiver fee. If waiver is accepted, the parent fee above is waived.)*

## Adventure Camp Enrollment

Adventure Camp serves middle school aged kids who have completed 6th-8th grade with autism spectrum disorders. (A camper is no longer eligible to participate in Adventure Camp if he/she has entered the 9<sup>th</sup> grade or turned 16 on/by June 1 of the current year.) This year, Adventure Camp will serve 12 "trailblazers" with autism. Sport activities will take place each day to develop sportsmanship and team cooperation while allowing each Adventure Camper to play on their individual level and progress each week. Our trailblazers will trek on the edge for some zip-lining fun, take a dip in the pool, and power up for archery.

Trailblazers will work each week managing a camp store to strengthen social skills and responsibility while having a truly wild time. Vittles will be necessary to maintain optimal energy levels, so meal preparation will be a part of each day. Meals will start simple and progress to a delicious grand finale that won't disappoint!

Campers must sign up for all 6 weeks of camp, whether they attend or not. A 1-week break has been inserted to allow families to schedule vacations and staff to recharge.

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June 11 - June 28

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### WEEKLY HOURS THIS SUMMER WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

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### 2018 Adventure Camp Tuition: \$1650.00

Registration Fee: \$400.00

*(Non-Refundable Fee Due by March 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm)*

Remaining Parent Fee: \$1250.00

*(Due in full by April 30 at 5:00pm)*

*(The direct cost per camper for Adventure Camp is \$3150. This direct fee coincides with our waiver fee. If waiver is accepted, the parent fee above is waived.)*