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Iowa Summer Camp ListPROVIDED BY ASK RESOURCE CENTER

Summer is all about having fun, and at ASK Resource Center we want to make it easier for children and young adults with disabilities across lowa to access all the summer fun their hearts desire! Regardless of your child's age or ability, planning is an essential component for a smooth-sailing summer. Our annual lowa Summer Camp list is here to help by offering travel planning tools and information about camps, day programs and inclusive activities available across the state!

We are providing contact information for currently scheduled camps and activities for you to check websites or call to confirm what is being offered. Each camp will also be able to inform you of any guidelines for their specific camp.



DID YOU KNOW?

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires summer camps and programs to provide reasonable accommodation for

individuals with disabilities. Activities may be adapted or modified to promote your child's success and involvement in any camp. ADA is in place to ensure that accommodations and supports are available to allow your child to participate fully in everyday life, including camps.







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Abe Lincoln Camp www.ymcacampabelincoln.org Blue Grass

All Aboard For Kids https://allaboardforkids.com Gilbert

Arc of Southeast Iowa www.arcsei.org
Iowa City

Aspire Academy
www.aspireiowa.com
Urbandale

Baseball Camp www.grandslamdsm.com Urbandale

Blank Park Zoo
www.blankparkzoo.com
Des Moines

Boy Scout Camps

www.midiowacouncilbsa.org www.hawkeyebsa.org www.scoutingiowa.org www.winnebagobsa.org Des Moines 515-266-2135 Cedar Rapids 319-862-0541 Dubuque 563-556-4343 Waterloo 319-234-2867

Camp Albrecht Acres www.albrechtacres.org
Sherrill

Camp Appanoose
www.campappanoose.org
Plano

Camp Autumn
www.campautumn.org
Sutherland

Camp Courageous
www.campcourageous.org
Monticello

Camp EWALU
www.ewalu.org
Strawberry Point

Camp Fire
www.campfireiowa.org
Ames, Boone, Des Moines

Camp Hand in Hand www.handinhandqc.org
Bettendorf

Camp Heart Connection
www.childrenscancerconnection.org
Boone

Camp Hertko Hollow www.camphertkohollow.com
Boone

Camp High Hopes <u>www.camphighhopes.com</u> Sioux City

Camp Quality Heartland www.campqualityusa.org Fremont, NE

Camp Reece IA
www.facebook.com/CampReecela/
Brighton

Camp St. George www.csgiowa.org Strawberry Point

Camp Tanager
www.camptanager.org
Mt. Vernon

Camp Wapsie www.campwapsie.org
Coggon

Camp Wyoming www.bearcreek.camp Wyoming

Catholic Youth Camp www.stmcenter.com Panora

Courage League Sports
www.courageleaguesports.com
Various locations in Iowa

Des Moines Playhouse www.dmplayhouse.com
Des Moines

Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside www.easterseals.com/ia
Des Moines



Engman Camp Shalom www.jewishdesmoines.org
Waukee

Enrichment Therapy & Learning Centers www.enrichmenttherapies.com
North Liberty & Des Moines

Gilda's Club of Quad Cities www.gildasclubqc.org
Quad Cities

Girl Scout Camps

www.girlscoutsiowa.org www.girlscoutstoday.org

Boone & Clear Lake 800-342-8389

New Liberty 800-798-0833

Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camps www.okoboji.org Milford

Iowa Educational Services for the Blind & Visually Impaired Summer Camps www.iowa-braille.k12.ia.us Various locations in Iowa

Iowa Regular Baptist Camp www.irbc.org Ventura

Iowa School for the Deaf Summer Camp www.iowaschoolforthedeaf.org Council Bluffs

Jester Park Equestrian Center www.jesterparkec.com Granger

Lake Okoboji UM Camp www.okobojicamp.com Spirit Lake

Living History Farms www.lhf.org Urbandale

Lutheran Lakeside Camp www.lutheranlakeside.com Spirit Lake

MDA Camp at Camp Courageous www.campcourageous.org
Monticello

Lakeshore Center at Okoboji www.lakeshorecenteratokoboji.org Milford

Raccoon River Bible Camp www.iloverrbc.com
Scranton

Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp www.riversidelbc.org Story City

Science Center of Iowa www.sciowa.org
Des Moines

Sports Plex West www.sportsplexwest.com
Waukee

Summer Art Camp www.octagonarts.org
Ames

Sylvan Learning Center <u>www.sylvanlearning.com</u> Various locations in Iowa

Triad Kids Camp www.triadgymnastics.com Ankeny

Wesley Woods Camp wesleywoodsiowa.org Indianola

Wildwood Hills Ranch
www.wildwoodhillsranch.org
St. Charles



FOR ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES:

Contact your local Parks & Recreation Department or County Conservation Department.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE & SCHOLARSHIPS

ASK Resource Center does not provide scholarships or stipends for the programs on this list. If your family is in need of financial assistance in order to send your child to a camp or program, you are encouraged to contact the camp or program directly, or check with local faith communities, charities, or philanthropic groups in your area.

CHILDREN AT HOME The Children at Home program helps families of children with disabilities (up to age 22) by providing financial assistance for services not covered by other programs. For eligibility and application information visit www.iafamilysupport.network.org/children-at-home.

FLEX CARE Many employers offer tax deferred dependent care programs, also known as "flex care," that may consider day camp an allowable expense for reimbursement (overnight camps are not eligible). Refer to the guidelines for your specific plan, or ask your employer if this is an option for you.





ADD A CAMP OR PROGRAM TO THE LIST!

Contact ASK Resource Center to add or update information for next year's list. Call the office at (515) 243-1713 or send a contact request online at www.askresource.org/contact.

TIPS & TOOLS

Sending Your Child with Special Needs to Camp

www.kidshealth.org/en/parents/finding-camp-special-needs.html

Recreation and Travel Tips for Parents of Children with Complex Medical Needs

www.complexchild.org/caregiving/recreation-and-travel

A Comprehensive Guide to Special Needs Travel

www.friendshipcircle.org/blog/2012/07/20/a-comprehensive-guide-to-special-needs-travel

Discover Camp: Sending Your Child with a Disability to Camp for the First Time

www.nchpad.org/discover/preparing/index.html

"Plan ahead, be brave and don't expect perfection."



