

# **Therapeutic Recreation:**

## **Summer Day Camp Directory: Children**

The following information is provided to assist families, service navigators and community recreation providers identify day camps children in Waterloo Region and Guelph Wellington.

Families are encouraged to contact the camp directly to discus their campers' unique interests and support needs to determine if the camp will be a good fit. It is important to set your child up for success.

This camp directory has camps grouped by the following categories:

- Camps with Inclusion programs camp has a 1:1, 2:1 or 3:1 inclusion support worker you can apply for.
- Specialized camps with lower camper to staff ratios are designed for campers with disabilities but do not offer a 1:1 inclusion support worker.
- Camps with an Inclusive Philosophy. Provide your Own support Worker.

This camp directory is updated regularly. Check back often for the most accurate camp options.

Looking for more options? Consider an overnight camp. Overnight camp options can be found on the KidsAbility website in our Thrive Together Tools.

# Not Sure Where to Start? Have a camp question or need support for camp planning?

- Review the camp planning resources on the KidsAbility website in the Thrive Together library.
- Email us (<u>rectherapy@kidsability.ca</u>) with your camp questions or to request a camp consult. KidsAbility camp consult clinic appointments are offered January through mid March.

Every effort is made to ensure that this information is accurate. If you notice information that is incorrect or if we have missed any camp options for teens and adults, please <u>email</u> us.



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### 1:1 Inclusion Support Worker option if you live in Guelph -Wellington.

Supporting Kids in Camp (SKIC) (Guelph-Wellington)

Ages: 4-17

Contact: 844-264-2993 x 2564 or Email

Supporting Kids in Camp (SKIC) provides children who have special needs with trained and experienced one-to-one workers, called Support Counsellors, so that they may attend specialized and/or integrated community camps. There is no cost to families for this service.

#### Who can apply?

- Child lives in the Guelph-Wellington region.
- Child is under the age of 18.
- Child has two of the following: physical, cognitive, or behavioural challenges.
- Child wants to attend a day camp and needs support for successful inclusion.
- Child is camp ready and does not pose a risk of injury to self or others.
- Day camp is in the Guelph-Wellington region (map on website).

#### Registration:

- Registration opens April 2, 2024, at 12:00 p.m.
- If the week of camp is not listed in the drop-down menu at time of registration, it is full.
- You will be asked to complete a One Form once your registration is confirmed.

# Camps with Inclusion programs – camp has a 1:1, 2:1 or 3:1 inclusion support worker you can apply for.

Camp K - Inclusion Program (Waterloo)

Ages: 5-16

Contact: 519-578-4430 or Email

Camp K welcomes, with open arms, all children to flourish as individuals and as a team, regardless of ability, to a fun outdoor experience in the natural environment, providing a deep love and respect of the earth. We do this by showing respect for each other, providing opportunities for friendship, fellowship, and belonging, leading to a sense of community, and fostering a shared experience. Accredited by OCA. Explore Camp Themes.



#### Support:

☑ Limited number of 1:1 inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Email starting January 2, 2024 to reserve an inclusion support worker.
- Registration opens February 1, 2024, at 12:01 am.

City of Cambridge – Inclusion Program (Cambridge)

Ages: 4-12

Contact: 519-578-4430 or Email

A traditional style inclusive day camp that offers outdoor recreation activities, active and quiet games, and arts and crafts for those aged 4-12. Specialty camps are also offered. Camps are also offered at the <u>Cambridge</u> <u>Centre for the Arts</u>. Inclusion Facilitators are available to provide support and accommodation to campers including 1:1, 1:2, 1:3, ratios of support. <u>Explore Available Camps</u>.

#### Support:

☑ Limited number of inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens February 1, 2024, at 8:30 a.m.
- You will need an inclusion portfolio added to your CORAL account before you can apply for 1:1, 2:1 or 3:1
  inclusion support. This is a one-time membership. Membership is free. Email to request the Inclusion
  Intake Form.
- Once registered for inclusion support, register for your desired week of support.

<u>City of Guelph – Inclusion Support</u> (Guelph)

Ages: 4-16

Contact: 519-822-1260 x 2701 or Email

Our programs are packed with thrilling games, sports, crafts, and activities that cater to each age group. We take pride in crafting experiences that are challenging, inclusive, and most importantly, fun! Our approach encourages campers to explore new things and reach their full potential while having a blast. Traditional style camp and specialty camps are offered. Explore Available Camps.

#### Support:

☑ Integrated inclusion support model. 3:1, 2:1 or 1:1 inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker. Call 519-822-1260 x 2701 or Email.



☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

#### Registration:

- Registration begins February 14, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.
- Reset the date range to the beginning of September on Rec Enroll to see all 8 weeks of camp before you
  register.



- Register for the camp and week of your choice. Indicate that you are requesting inclusion support via the
  questionnaire/prompt. Please note that dedicated 1:1 support is not guaranteed and will be assessed
  based on the needs of participant and staff resources available.
- For questions on our "integrated inclusion support model" call 519-822-1260 x 2701 or Email.
- You will be asked to complete an intake form after registration.

City of Kitchener – Every Kid Counts (Kitchener)

Ages: 4-12

Contact: 519-741-2200 ext. 7229 or Email

A fun, inclusive and safe experience your camper is sure to enjoy! Camp programs will maximize outdoor spaces and include active and quiet games, activities that encourage social connections with new friends, and opportunities to be creative. Explore Available Camps.

We can provide 1:1 support in any municipal camp programs. Inclusion staff are trained to provide personal care, lifts and transfers, feeding, and emotional regulation support. Staff will work with caregivers to meet the individual needs of the camper. Support is provided at no cost.

#### Support:

☑ Limited number of inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

- City of Kitchener camps and support registration opens March 19, 2024 at 8:30 am.
- Campers may register for two weeks of camp with Inclusion Support.



- If you're looking for inclusion support, please apply for an <u>inclusion membership</u>. This is a one-time membership. You will need your inclusion membership before you can apply for 1:1 inclusion support. Membership is free.
- Once registered for inclusion support, register for your desired camp.

<u>City of Waterloo - Every Kid Counts</u> (Waterloo)

Ages: 4-12

Contact: 519-741-2200 ext. 7229 or Email

A fun, inclusive and safe experience your camper is sure to enjoy! Camp programs will maximize outdoor spaces and include active and quiet games, activities that encourage social connections with new friends, and opportunities to be creative. Camp options will be available February 22, 2023

We can provide 1:1 support in any municipal camp programs. Inclusion staff are trained to provide personal care, lifts and transfers, feeding, and emotional regulation support. Staff will work with caregivers to meet the individual needs of the camper. Support is provided at no cost.

#### Support:

☑ Limited number of inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- City of Waterloo camps and support registration opens March 7, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.
- Campers may register for **two** weeks of camp with Inclusion Support.
- If you're looking for inclusion support, please apply for an <u>inclusion membership</u>. This is a one-time membership. You will need your inclusion membership before you can apply for 1:1 inclusion support. Membership is free.
- Once registered for inclusion support, register for your desired camp.

Engineering Science Quest (ESQ) (Waterloo and 1 week in Cambridge)

Age: going into Grade 2 through Grade 8 in Fall 2024

Contact: 519-888-4567 ext.46944 or Email

ESQ Summer Camps include a variety of hands-on activities that explore science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and feature STEM mentors and tours of exciting spaces on UW's campus! Campers will experiment with new technology, develop valuable skills, and connect with friends. Our university-level staff studying in various engineering, science and education programs develop innovative and creative activities for their camps that explore all areas of STEM and so much more! <a href="Explore camp options">Explore camp options</a>.

#### Supports:

☑ Limited 3:1 ratio of camper to inclusion support workers are available. No 1:1 support.



☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens February 6, 2024 at Noon
- When registering your child for camp, please indicate their access and inclusion needs within the
  Participant Information Form and include details you are comfortable sharing to best support your child's
  involvement at camp. Our team will initiate additional communication prior to your child's week at camp.

Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp (New Hamburg)

Ages: 5-12

Contact: 519-625-8602 or Email

Hidden Acres is a summer camp and retreat centre located in the rolling hills of Perth Country between Stratford and Kitchener-Waterloo. Our co-ed day camp program is a great opportunity to spend time outside and connect with others while enjoying age-appropriate activities such as swimming, canoeing, archery, nature exploration, rock-climbing, sports, group games and more!

Hidden Acres is interested in the development of the whole person and is committed to providing a fun, healthy, stimulating and safe experience for all campers. Children and youth with special needs are included in all aspects of the camp program. Campers must be somewhat independent in the washroom and not have strong aggressive behaviours.

#### Support:

☑ Limited number of inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Opens February 1, 2024, at 7 a.m.
- Before being accepted into the Inclusion Program, a detailed registration form must be submitted and a home, site or virtual visit will take place with a staff member from Hidden Acres.

Rainbow Day Camp (Guelph)

Ages: 4-12

Contact: 519-837-0387 or Email

Rainbow Programs for Children offers Guelph and the surrounding area a summer recreational day camp experience for children and youth, providing quality programs in a caring and open environment which embraces diversity and encourages personal growth, according to each individual's uniqueness, strengths, needs, and abilities. Explore Camp Themes.



#### Support:

☑ Limited number of inclusion support workers are available.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens March 4, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. for campers who require any extra support at camp and their siblings.
- Campers can register for **one** weeks of camp with inclusion support from Rainbow.
- General registration opens March 18, 2024 at 12:00 p.m. for campers who do not require extra support.

#### **STEMpowered** (Waterloo)

Age: going into Grade 2 through Grade 12 in Fall 2024

Contact: 519-888-4567 ext.46944 or Email

STEMpowered offers free summer day camp programming for self-identifying Black Youth entering grades 2 to 12. All camps are based on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) and work to incorporate fun hands-on learning experiences, visits to cool on-campus locations, and visits from mentors! We run the majority of our programming at the University of Waterloo - Waterloo campus.

#### Supports:

☑ Limited 3:1 ratio of camper to inclusion support workers are available. No 1:1 support.

☑ We have an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens February 6, 2024 at Noon
- Registration instructions.
- When registering your child for camp, please indicate their access and inclusion needs within the
  Participant Information Form and include details you are comfortable sharing to best support your child's
  involvement at camp. Our team will initiate additional communication prior to your child's week at camp.

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**Beechwood Brainery** (Waterloo)

Ages: 4-14

Contact: 519-624-8728 or Email



Beechwood Brainery is open for summer camp. During this break from academic programs, we develop a variety of interest-based themes. We welcome interesting guest speakers, unique service providers, and create an environment of positive socializing. Our space does not have the capacity for sports programming, but we do incorporate the outdoors in all our daily schedules. Summer program details and dates can be found on Facebook or Instagram.

#### Support:

□ 3-5:1 camper to staff ratio

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☐ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

Registration opens March 31, 2024.

<u>Email</u> to join the camp email list to receive registration forms.

<u>Carousel Dance Centre - Dance For EveryBODY</u> (Waterloo)

Ages: 10 - 13

Contact 519-746-8877 or Email

Camp Date: August 6-9

Dance for EveryBODY Camp is a special camp designed for youth with exceptionalities. The program includes dance classes, art, crafts, exciting themes, special activities, choreography and an end of week performance. This year's theme is Broadway Bound!

#### Support:

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

Registration: Registration opens January 31, 2024

<u>City of Cambridge – SunBlast and Imagination Station</u> (Cambridge)

Ages: 4-12

Contact: 519-578-4430 or Email

An inclusive summer day camp program designed for children ages 4-12 with exceptionalities to come to camp to enjoy outdoor recreation activities, active and quiet games, sensory play, and arts and crafts. Programming is delivered by trained inclusion facilitators. Explore available camps.

#### Support:

 $\boxtimes$  4:1 camper to staff ratio.



☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Registration begins February 1, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.
- You will need an inclusion portfolio added to your CORAL account before you can apply for 1:1, 2:1 or 3:1
  inclusion support. This is a one-time membership. Membership is free. <u>Email</u> to request the Inclusion
  Intake Form.
- Once registered for inclusion support, register for your desired week of support.

<u>City of Guelph – Kids on The Move</u> (Guelph)

Ages: 4-12

Contact: 519-822-1260 x 2701 or Email.

Come join the fun! Youth on the Move is a camp for teens and young adults with disabilities. Participate in daily outdoor activities, sports, arts and crafts, theme days, trips within the community. Campers will meet new friends, build self esteem, and enjoy physical activity and skill development in a safe and secure environment. Explore Available Camps.

#### Support:

- $\boxtimes$  4:1 camper to staff ratio.
- ☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.
- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker. Call 519-822-1260 x 2701 or Email.
- ☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

- Registration begins February 14, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.
- Reset the date range to the beginning of September on Rec Enroll to see all 8 weeks of camp before you
  register.





- Register for the camp and week of your choice. Indicate that you are requesting inclusion support via the
  questionnaire/prompt. Please note that dedicated 1:1 support is not guaranteed and will be assessed
  based on the needs of participant and staff resources available.
- For questions on our "integrated inclusion support model" call 519-822-1260 x 2701 or Email.
- You will be asked to complete an intake form after registration.

<u>City of Kitchener – YOUth Sense</u> (Kitchener and Waterloo)

Ages: 9-14

Contact: 519-741-2200 ext. 7228 or Email

YOUth Sense is a summer camp program that has been specifically developed for participants who have a special need and/or a disability and who do not require one to one support. Youth with a disability, who are between 9 and 14 years of age, who thrive in a camp environment that includes a variety of activities including arts, sports, games, guest speakers and nature activities will be sure to enjoy this program. <a href="Explore Camp">Explore Camp</a> Options.

#### Support:

 $\boxtimes$  3:1 camper to staff ratio.

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- City of Kitchener camps and support registration opens March 19th at 8:30 am.
- To sign up for this camp, you need to have an <u>inclusion membership</u>. You do not need to register for inclusion support for specialized camps.

Hopewell Children's Home (Guelph)

Ages: children and adults

Contact: Email

Hopewell also offers an on-site recreational program that provides adult day programming, social groups and holiday camps. Our recreational programs are available to children and adults with a developmental disability living in the Guelph community. Participants in the recreational program have meaningful experiences through community exploration. Our focus is on developing daily living skills as well as sensory, leisure, social, and recreational skills, by offering a variety of activities, including community outings, educational and learning opportunities, and special events. Whether it's supporting a local pumpkin patch or walking a local trail, our programs are all about community participation.

#### Support:

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.



Registration: All applications are sent to the <u>Program Manager / Program Coordinator</u> and are typically filled on a first come, first served basis.

Kerry's Place Autism Services (Guelph)

Ages: 5-17

Contact: 1-833-775-3779 or Email

Kerry's place provides full-day summer camp opportunities for children and youth with autism spectrum disorder. Participants will have the opportunity to engage in group activities and connect with others their age. Some of the activities include arts and crafts. Science experiments, baking activities, movement breaks, group/collaborative games, field trips, and guest facilitators, and much more. Participants will have opportunities to build new and lasting connections while having fun. <a href="Explore Available Camps">Explore Available Camps</a>.

#### Support:

- □ 5:2 camper to staff ratio.
- ☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.
- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for camp.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens the second week of April 2024. Check website for updates.
- Register on <u>My Community Hub.</u>

**KW Gymnastics - Adapted** (Kitchener)

Ages: 6 plus

Contact: 519-743-4970 or Email

Our Adaptive camp is for children with physical, cognitive, social and developmental needs. Adaptive camps are offered throughout the year and include games, crafts, and in-gym activities. Explore camp options. With our adaptive program we empower children to engage and believe that anything is possible. Coaches and athletes are specifically matched based on abilities and personalities. Your child will continually develop while participating in fun and healthy exercise, with our experienced coaches. Your child will: Increase Body Awareness, Enhance Gross & Fine Motor Control, achieve success with personal goals, Experience Joy, Freedom, and Belonging. We welcome and support all.

#### Support:

□ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

Registration Opens January 23, 2024 at 12 noon



Interested in registering for our adaptive camps? Please email to sign up for an intake meeting.

Sliding Into September (Waterloo)

Ages: School age

Contact: 519-954-5026 or <u>Email</u> Camp Date: August 26-30, 2024

This camp is designed to help children transition from their summer routines back into the more scheduled environment of a typical school day. A series of structured activities have been developed by an Occupational Therapist to help children enhance individual skills as well as group interactions. Problem solving, emotional regulation and motor skills development are all part of the curriculum. They promote physical activity, motor learning, and skill development through a safe and interactive environment. We provide a space where children can engage in play to promote the development of executive functioning and self-regulation to ensure children are excited, happy, and ready for school!

#### Supports:

□ Lower camper to staff ratio

□ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens February 1, 2024
- For more details and to inquire if your child is ready for this camp, please call 519-954-5026 or email.

#### Speech Star Camp for Kids (Guelph)

Ages: children entering JK through 8th grade

Contact: 519-265-8255 or Email

Childhood Apraxia & Speech Therapy Centre is excited to offer Speech Star Camps for Kids with suspected or identified Childhood Apraxia of Speech (CAS) and/or Childhood Dysarthria. Each session of Speech Star Camp for Kids 2024 will be 4-5 (four-five) days long and includes individual speech therapy sessions with a Speech-Language Pathologist and/or daily group sessions run by a Speech-Language Pathologist from our Centre.

#### Support:

- $\boxtimes$  6:2 camper to staff ratio.
- ☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.
- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

- Current client registration opens February 26, 2024 @ 9:30 am
- General registration opens March 4, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.



Sunbeam Medically Fragile and Technologically Dependent (MFTD) Camp (Kitchener)

Ages: 4-17

Contact: 519-893-6200 ext. 1234 or Email

Come and join in on the fun at the Sunbeam Community and Developmental Service, Summer Day Camp for Children and Teens. This camp supports individuals who are medically fragile and technologically dependent. We are a diverse organization that provides services to people with different abilities. We offer an exciting theme-based program for children and teens that includes crafts, swimming, Snoezelen room time, community outings, and games in the gym. All activities are geared towards having fun and making new friends. Camp is fully equipped with equipment that would help with lifts and transfers both in the pool and other areas throughout the building. Explore Camp Options.

#### Supports:

□ 3:1 camper to staff ratio

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens March 1, 2024
- Register on My Community Hub.
- A completed registration form is required to secure the spot. This form is available on My Community
   <u>My Community</u>
   <u>Hub</u> under "waivers." Registration forms can be submitted electronically by <u>email</u>. You may also mail, fax, or deliver these forms in person to Nicole Tailby.

## Camps with an Inclusive Philosophy. Provide your Own Support Worker.

Alison Neighbourhood Community Centre's Summer Day Camp (Cambridge)

Ages: 5-12

Contact: 519-620-1867 or Email

Every summer, Alison Neighbourhood Community Centre offers a dynamic and affordable opportunity for children to grow and discover. Children enjoy sports, arts, music, games, singing, swimming, special events and trips; all while making friends and memories to last a lifetime.

#### Supports:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

Registration opens Early March. Check <u>website</u> for updated information.



**Bulldog For Kids** (Guelph)

Ages: 3 – 13

Contact: 519-836-3838 or Email

All weeks include sports, games, music/drama, arts, crafts, and science that are based on the themes available! Kids pick their favorite activities throughout the day. We always offer options, so no child is doing an activity they don't like. Explore Available Camps.

#### Support:

□ Low camper to staff ratio

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens February 19, 2024

<u>Carousel Dance Centre</u> (Waterloo)

Ages: 4-18

Contact 519-746-8877 or Email

Programs are offered for every level from our littlest dancers to our teens! We offer low instructor to student ratios, before and after care at no additional charge, engaging programs, and excellent staff who are dedicated to ensuring that every child has an amazing week at Carousel summer camp! Explore Available Camps.

#### Support:

☐ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

Registration: Opens January 31, 2024

Pride Stables - Camp Pride (Kitchener)

Ages: 6-12

Contact: 519-653-4686 or **Email** 

Camp Pride is a fully integrated day camp open to children aged 6-12 years with or without special needs. The program is designed to ensure that each camper has an active, challenging, and fun summer camp experience. (Campers must be under 160 lbs (72kg). To provide a unique day camp experience, Camp Pride offers a variety of camp experiences including a morning riding lesson with our horses. During the lesson, basic riding skills will be learned and practiced. Campers will also have an opportunity for games on horseback. The riding program, designed for beginner level riders, is progressive and tailored to the individual. During the afternoon, campers



will participate in exciting and stimulating camp activities including arts, crafts, sports, and games plus horsemanship activities.

#### Supports:

☑ 6:1 camper to riding coach ratio plus volunteers.

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

Registration: Registration opens January 22, 2024

Camp Sunrise - Farm Discovery (Puslinch)

Ages: 5-8

Contact: 519-837-0558 or Email

Farm Discovery Camp is a farm themed camp for children 5-8 years of age. Our camp provides one week session options with the opportunity to have hands-on horse experience. Farm Discovery Camp activities include: Grooming & Leading Miniature Horses, Archery, Swimming, Low Ropes Challenge Course, Accessible Playground, Frog Pond, Arts & Crafts, Nature Programs, and Outdoor Games. Fridays are theme days at Sunrise! We encourage campers to dress up and show their camp spirit according to the theme! Explore Camp Options.

#### Supports:

 $\boxtimes$  6:1 camper to staff ratio.

☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

#### Registration:

- Registration is open
- New campers with a special need or a diagnosis are required to come to Sunrise for a pre-camp assessment with the Camp Coordinator.
- A Physician Referral Form and Individual Profile Form is required.
- Registration is complete when all paperwork and payment has been received and assessment is completed.

<u>Camp Sunrise - Riding Camp</u> (Puslinch)

Ages: 13-21

Contact: 519-837-0558 or Email

Camp Sunrise is an inclusive day camp that provides structured programming and themed days throughout the summer. Horse Camp is a farm-based camp for children  $8-13^*$  years of age. Horse Camp is offered in two-



week sessions with limited one-week options. Campers participate in horse riding and stable management lessons twice a week and equine assisted learning (EAL) once a week. Horse Camp activities include Horse Riding, Stable Management, Archery, Swimming, Low Ropes Challenge Course, Accessible Playground, Frog Pond, Arts & Crafts, Nature Programs, and Outdoor Games. Fridays are special at Sunrise! Every Friday is a theme day. We encourage campers to dress up and show their camp spirit. (\*campers with a diagnosis/special need can attend from 13 – 21 years of age) Explore Camp Options.

#### Supports:

- ⊠ 6:1 camper to staff ratio.
- ☑ Camp is designed for campers with disabilities.
- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

#### Registration:

- Registration is open
- New campers with a special need or a diagnosis are required to come to Sunrise for a pre-camp assessment with the Camp Coordinator.
- A Physician Referral Form and Individual Profile Form is required.
- Registration is complete when all paperwork and payment has been received and assessment is completed.

#### **Centre Wellington** (Fergus & Elora)

Ages: 5 - 12

Contact: 519-846-9691 ext. 903 or Email

Camp activities include active games, scavenger hunts, obstacle courses, arts & crafts, sports such as pickleball, soccer, basketball, tennis etc. plenty of outdoor play, talent shows, water activities and more!

#### Support:

⊠ 8:1 camper to staff ratio

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens February 14, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.

#### Creative Encounters in Science (Guelph)

Ages: going into Grade 2 - Grade 10 in Fall 2024

Contact: 519 824-4120 x 53045 or Email

Creative Encounters with Science is based at the University of Guelph that promotes interest in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) among youth living in Guelph and beyond. We provide dynamic and hands-on learning experiences in STEM through the leadership of our instructors and mentors at our



camps, workshops, clubs, events, and more. Some of our big initiatives include Indigenous Outreach (InSTEM), Promoting Awareness of Girls in Engineering and Science (PAGES), fostering digital literacy and computer science skills, and reaching underprivileged youth. All camps will incorporate indoor and outdoor activities to encourage learning and play while enjoying the lovely summer weather where possible! <a href="Explore Camp">Explore Camp</a> Options.

#### Support:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens February 14, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Elora Centre for the Arts (Elora)

Ages: 4 - 12

Contact: 519-846-9698 or Email

Our Summer Camps are led by ECFTA Art Educators and our cheery staff of Summer Students. Our Campers will be working in 2 groups in both our studio Art Classroom and sunny Maker Space. Camps are a balance of guided art instruction, open-flow creativity, and outdoor fun!

#### Support:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for camp.

#### Registration:

- Registration opens January 31, 2024
- For registration inquires please <u>email</u>

Fiddlesticks Community Centre (Cambridge)

Ages: 4-13

Contact: 519-621-4040 or Email

Three different day camp programs are being offered this year.

- Summer Playground (SPG) 4-6 Years (must be 4 by their first day of camp)
- Summer Action Camp (SAC) 7-9 Years
- Youth Adventure Camp (YAC) 10-13 Years

Campers need to be <u>program ready</u> to participate in camp.

#### Supports:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.



#### Registration:

- In person registration will take place February 24, 2024 between 9:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.at Fiddlesticks Community Centre 71 Cowan Blvd, Cambridge.
- Registration is only open to those who were in our Summer Programs for 2023 and those who live within the Fiddlesticks Catchment. We will open to outside the catchment on a later date if space is available. Check website of updated information.
- If you have any other questions in regard to your child participating in this program, email Emily.

Greenway Chaplin Community Centre (Cambridge)

Ages: 4-14

Contact: 519-623-4220 or Email

Summer adventure camp. Join us for fun and creative outdoor activities.

#### Supports:

Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

Registration opens March 18, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

**Guelph Grotto Climbing Co (Guelph)** 

Ages: 5-14

Contact: 519-767-0838 or Email

Outdoor Program: 6-14; Indoor program: HALF DAY (Ages 5-7); FULL DAY (AGES 8-12)

#### Support:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Open

Guelph Outdoor School (GOS) (Guelph)

Ages: 4-14

Contact: 226-337-8780 or Email

Guelph Outdoor School (GOS) programs emphasize connection to self, others, and the natural world through mentorship, song & story, sensory awareness and nature-based challenges. We engage hands-on skills that promote self-esteem and confidence, as well as relational skills: conflict resolution, empathy, and cooperation. Our programs are ever evolving to meet the developmental needs of kids: built to run, to wonder, and connect. Explore Camp Options.



#### Support:

□ 5:1 camper to staff ratio

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens January 24, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Focus on Nature (Guelph)

Ages: 8-12 (at the time of camp)

Contact: Email

Our camps are a wonderful opportunity for budding photographers to develop their skills while exploring all the natural beauty the Guelph Arboretum has to offer! Campers will spend time outdoors each day on guided photo walks, playing outdoor games, and other nature activities with an Arboretum Naturalist. Campers will also learn how to edit their images, create a slideshow, and take it all home when camp is over.

#### Support:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens January 5, 2024

Preston Heights Community Group (Cambridge)

Ages: 4-13

Contact: 519-621-4040 or Email

Two different day camp programs are being offered this year.

- Summer Camp Junior (4-9 Years)
- Summer Camp Senior (10-13 Years)

#### Supports:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

#### Registration:

Registration opens March 11, 2024

Township of Mapleton (Drayton, Moorfield, Alma)

Ages: 4-10

Contact: 519-638-3313 or Email



The Township of Mapleton is excited to provide day camp options, currently running out of the Moorefield Community Centre. Fun and creative outdoor activities.

Supports:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens soon

Wellington North (Arthur & Mount Forest)

Ages: 5-11

Contact: 519-848-3620 x 4335 or Email

Camp runs with our daily activities geared towards the session themes. Your child will participate in various games, crafts, and activities.

#### Support:

☐ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support.

Registration: Opens April 2, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Woolwich Township (Elmira, St. Jacobs, and Breslau)

Ages 5-12

Contact: 519-514-7018 or Email

A typical camp day includes games, crafts, indoor and outdoor play. Our weekly themes help guide planning of our activities, games, crafts, outings and special guests. The camp day will also include non-theme portions. We strive to integrate all campers into our summer camp programs.

#### Supports:

☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker. Volunteers or support workers must be 16 years or older.

- Registration opens March 5, 2024 @ 6:30 a.m.
- To help us best support your camper's experience at camp, we ask that any additional needs be disclosed during registration. A staff member will be in touch to discuss how we can best integrate your camper into our group programming.



YMCA of Three Rivers - At the Y Camps (Cambridge, Guelph, Kitchener, Waterloo)

Ages: 4 - 12

Contact: 519-699-5100 or Email

Our day camp staff is committed to providing safe, welcoming, supportive, and inclusive camp experiences. All camp locations provide a one-of-a-kind 'unplugged' experience with quality programming tailored to the features of each site. Our goal is to give all campers the opportunity to learn new skills, try a variety of activities, and build lasting friendships.

At the Y Camps offer day camp programming in the comfort and convenience of your local YMCA Health and Wellness centre. At the Y Camps provide an opportunity for our younger campers to play, connect, build skills, and make friends and memories that last a lifetime. To help your child reach their full potential, your child will be active and engaged all day enjoying a wide variety of activities such as: Daily gym time for sports and active games, Daily outdoor time with trips to local parks and trails, Dramatic play, Arts & Crafts, Music & Dance, STEM activities, Camper challenges & teambuilding, and

Pool time with swimming instruction (subject to lifeguard availability).

#### Supports:

- ☐ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support at a Guelph camp.

#### Registration:

• Registration opens January 16, 2024, at 7:00 a.m.

YMCA of Three Rivers - Outdoor Camps (Cambridge, Fergus, Guelph, St. Clements, St. Marys, Waterloo)

Ages: 4 – 12

Contact: 519-699-5100 or Email

Our day camp staff is committed to providing safe, welcoming, supportive, and inclusive camp experiences. All camp locations provide a one-of-a-kind 'unplugged' experience with quality programming tailored to the features of each site. Our goal is to give all campers the opportunity to learn new skills, try a variety of activities, and build lasting friendships.

Calling all children and youth who love to explore nature and the outdoors! These sites offer a one-of-a-kind outdoor experience for campers based on the unique landscape of the camp location. Many of our camps are located directly on beautiful local lakes and beaches. Our Y outdoor day camps inspire campers to build connections with nature and their peers and encourage campers to step outside of their comfort zones and try something new. This is a great way to introduce children to the traditional camp experience while staying close to home. Beautiful, forested area for nature exploration, games, and hikes, Campfires, Arts & Crafts, Field games and camp-wide challenges, Gaga ball pit, and Shaded pavilion.



#### Supports:

- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.
- ☑ Live in Guelph/Wellington? Consider applying for a Supporting Kids In Camp (SKIC) worker for 1:1 support for a Fergus or Guelph camp.

#### Registration:

• Registration opens January 16, 2024, at 7:00 a.m.

YWCA Summer Camps at Shade's Mills (Cambridge)

Ages: 4 - 12

Contact: 226-220-6285 or Email

Our main summer camp program takes place at Shade's Mills Conservation Area, and NEW this year is an indoor camp program at Wesley United Church in Galt for children ages 4-10. All of our camps focus on a diverse array of activities designed to help campers explore our environment and foster a connection to our natural world and with each other. YWCA Cambridge Summer Camps will take your camper on an adventure that will teach new skills, build confidence, and create lasting memories! An Inclusion Facilitator is available to ensure that children who need a little extra support can enjoy camp. Please note, we are unable to provide 1:1 support. Explore Camp Options.

#### Supports:

☐ Camp has an inclusive philosophy; campers can provide their own support worker.

- Registration opens February 1, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.
- As part of our registration process, ALL registrations will be reviewed by our Behaviour and Inclusion Supervisor and Director of Summer Camps; to determine if we have the ability to provide the appropriate supports to our campers, as we do not have the capacity to provide 1:1 assistance in our programs.