



HOME OF EMPIRE STATE SPECIAL NEEDS EXPERIENCE, INC.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING CAMPING PROGRAMS AT LIONS CAMP BADGER

Lions Camp Badger currently offers three distinct summer camp programs:

“Community Connections” Leadership Experience This is a two-week life skills training experience for young adults, ages 18-26, who are preparing to make a post-secondary transition from school and home. This comprehensive program gives campers a unique, person-centered and highly personalized opportunity to develop independent living skills under the watchful guidance and support of our staff. The 2012 Camp Session is Sunday, June 17 - Saturday, June 30. Cost for the 14 day camp is \$1,400.

“Overnight Camp” is a one week program that promotes appropriate social skills, self-esteem and independence and traditional summer camp experiences. This program is for youth, ages 8-21. The camp week runs from Sunday 3pm to Saturday 1pm. Cost for camp is \$1,000 per week. The 2012 season runs from July 8 to August 4.

“Day Camp” is a one week program that allows youth, ages 12-21, who live in the region around the camp, to participate in the camp during the day. The camp week runs Monday-Friday from 9 am – 4 pm. Cost for Day Camp is \$500 per week. The 2012 season runs from July 9 – August 3.

The summer camp programs support the Empire State Special Needs Experience, Inc. at Lions Camp Badger overall mission which is to establish, operate and maintain programs in which individuals with special needs of any age may obtain services that will enhance their educational, vocational, personal growth and independence. The program is designed to be inclusive of children with and without disabilities and we attempt to provide “reasonable accommodations” as much as possible. Youth with disabilities may have a wide range of learning styles, strengths, and challenges. Common diagnoses include Developmental Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, Aspergers, Pervasive Developmental Disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorder, and Non Verbal Learning Disabilities. (continued-page 2-→)

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We do not have the expertise or capabilities to support youth and young adults with complex emotional and behavioral disabilities.

Also, all campers must be able to take care of their hygiene and other self-care tasks, be continent, as well as self-manage in a group and respond to direction and authority. We can accommodate personal aides for a limited number of campers. In this case, an additional fee will be charged to offset the costs of employing the aide including the cost of providing food and lodging.

The application process:

1. Complete the camp application. This can be obtained on line at www.lionscb.org or by calling the camp at 1-(607) 589-4800 or 1-(800) 232-7060. The deadline for completed applications is May 1, 2012.
2. Complete the Medical Records form which will be sent upon initial review of the application and initial acceptance into the program. The form must be signed by a medical doctor and returned, at least, two weeks prior to the scheduled week of attendance.
3. Submit a non-refundable deposit of \$100. This deposit will be returned if the camper is not accepted into the program or withdraws prior to June 1, 2012.