

2013

# Summer Camp & Activity Options Metro Chattanooga



Lifeline, Inc. /Chattanooga Autism Center

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# Summer Camp List 2013

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**CAMP: YMCA – Camp Ocoee** – <http://www.ymcachattanooga.org/camp-ocoe/>

Each day at Camp Ocoee is carefully planned to allow each camper to develop skills through instructional activity times and also foster a strong sense of community through several camp activity periods where they interact with other cabins.

**CAMP: UTC's Youth University & Junior Camps**

Summer youth programs designed to offer local young people a variety of classes to teach skill development, college preparation, and other special interest areas.

**CAMP: SENSE Theatre Camp** <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/cngr/summer-programs/young-people-disabilities.php#hosp>

SENSE Theatre Camp is a two week day camp, taking place at the University School of Nashville. The goal of the camp is to improve social and communication functioning and reduce stress in children with autism through the art of theatre. Youth with and without autism from 7-18 years of age will participate in the camp. The campers' efforts will culminate in two performances at the end of the two weeks.

Dates: Afternoons during the weeks of June 4-15, 2012 with two performance dates on June 15th and 16th

Campers: Youth with and without autism from 7-18 years of age

Cost: \$900 (limited scholarships available)

**CAMP: Next Steps at Vanderbilt Summer Institute** <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/cngr/summer-programs/young-people-disabilities.php#hosp>

Next Steps at Vanderbilt Summer Institute is a college transition program for rising high school juniors, seniors, and young adults with developmental disabilities up to the age of 26. This is a week-long residential program that will provide exposure to postsecondary education. Students will be given the opportunity to experience a college campus and to develop a broader understanding of the Next Steps at Vanderbilt postsecondary education program and other programs across the country.

Dates: July 15-20, 2012

Campers: rising high school juniors, seniors, and young adults with developmental disabilities up to the age of 26.

Cost: \$1,200, scholarships available

**CAMP: Epilepsy Foundation of Southeast Tennessee** [www.epilepsy-setn.org/](http://www.epilepsy-setn.org/)

Chapter of the National Epilepsy Foundation that provides several services, including need-based camper scholarships to epilepsy summer camp for children. Eligibility criteria based on program.

**CAMP: Al-Camp Smile A Mile** [www.campsam.org](http://www.campsam.org)

Our mission today is to provide year round challenging, unforgettable recreational and educational experiences for young cancer patients, their families, as well as young adult survivors from Alabama at no cost.

**CAMP: Brain Injury Foundation – Camp Hardgrove (GA) Camp Hickorywood (TN)** [www.birf.info/index.shtml](http://www.birf.info/index.shtml)  
[www.braininjurygeorgia.org/camps.html](http://www.braininjurygeorgia.org/camps.html) [www.braininjurytn.org/stateresources.html](http://www.braininjurytn.org/stateresources.html)

Designed especially for persons affected by brain injury, Camp Hardgrove provides summer camps for young and adults. All sessions are held at the Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute, Warm Springs, GA

**CAMP: Tennessee Camp for Diabetic Children** [www.tncdc.org](http://www.tncdc.org) Phone: (423) 843-5006

Welcome to the Tennessee Camp for Diabetic Children (TCDC). TCDC is located on Lake Chickamauga in Soddy, Tennessee, just north of Chattanooga. The camp is committed to teaching children with diabetes how to live a normal and active lifestyle. TCDC incorporates educational sessions into daily activities by providing fun learning programs

geared toward juvenile diabetes management. Using games, hands-on assistance, and videos, campers learn procedures and techniques to use daily for achieving glucose control. July 14-27, 2013

**CAMP: Sparrowwood @ Camp Glisson** – [www.glisson.org/pages/detail/1212](http://www.glisson.org/pages/detail/1212)

Sparrowwood is a vital and cherished part of our camp ministry designed specifically for campers with mild to moderate developmental disabilities. Campers are cared for by trained counselors with a 1:2 counselor-to-camper ratio. Sparrowwood campers join up with a Village living group for multiple activities each day including creek hikes and arts and crafts and events such as the Sparrowwood Dance. Sparrowwood campers also join Outpost campers one afternoon and evening for field games, dinner, and camping out in an Adirondack shelter. Our hope for Sparrowwood is to show God's great love to all of our campers. In all we do, we pray that each person involved -- parents, caregivers, campers, and staff -- will be touched by God's love.

**CAMP: Victory Junction** – [www.VictoryJunction.org](http://www.VictoryJunction.org)

The Victory Junction Gang Camp enriches the lives of children with chronic medical conditions or serious illnesses by providing life-changing camping experiences that are exciting, fun, and empowering in a safe and medically sound environment.

**CAMP: Amputee Coalition of American Youth Camp** [www.amputee-coalition.org/youth\\_camp.html](http://www.amputee-coalition.org/youth_camp.html)

The annual Amputee Coalition of America (ACA) Youth Camp provides youth with limb differences (ages 10-16) educational outings, team building exercise, sports and opportunities to learn from peers and adult amputee mentors. The Amputee Coalition's Paddy Rossbach Youth Camp is a 5-day traditional summer camp experience for children ages 10-17 who have lost arms and/or legs or who were born with limb differences. The camp offers challenging activities that build campers' confidence regardless of skill level.

A unique aspect of our program is that campers are not accompanied by their parents, which inspires campers to take on new challenges, be independent, test themselves and build new friendships in a supportive, caring environment. The Coalition covers all expenses, including travel, for the campers. The average cost to send a child to camp is \$1,500. Since its beginning in 2000, the camp has hosted more than 600 campers with limb loss or limb difference.

**CAMP: Speech & Hearing Center Summer Camp** [www.speechhearing.com](http://www.speechhearing.com)

For deaf children and their siblings from ages 2 to 16. The Speech & Hearing Center provides an all day summer camp for children and their siblings.

**CAMP: Muscular Dystrophy (MDA) Summer Camp** <http://www.mda.org/clinics/camp>

Since 1955, MDA has built bridges and knocked down barriers for youngsters with neuromuscular diseases by providing an unforgettable week at MDA Summer Camp. Campers say the week they spend at MDA Camp is the "The best week of the year".

**CAMP: Joni & Friends Family Retreat** [www.joniandfriends.org/pg\\_retreats.php](http://www.joniandfriends.org/pg_retreats.php)

Since 1991 Joni and Friends Family Retreats has hosted five day summer programs across the United States where families affected by disability can find hope and get a break from the challenges of everyday life. Camps in both TN, GA.

**CAMP: Fit One Gym – Fitness Camps** [www.fitonegym.com](http://www.fitonegym.com)

Fit One is working in the community to strengthen families, business, churches and schools by applying Christian values in an environment that promotes health and fitness for everyone regardless of age, race, sex, disabilities, or religion.

**CAMP: Friends Discovery Camp** [www.cdmfun.org/page/programs-and-events/camps](http://www.cdmfun.org/page/programs-and-events/camps)

Friends' Discovery Camp offers an exciting week of friendship, fun, and fantastic activities for children with and without autism.

**CAMP: Camp Discovery**

Located on the Flynn's Creek area of Cordell Hull Lake in Jackson County, Tennessee, Camp Discovery serves people with disabilities who want to experience the wonders of summer camp.

Dates: May 26-31, June 2-7, June 9-14, June 23-28, June 30-July 5, July 7-12

Register: <http://www.jayceecamp.org/apply.php>

Direct Reservation questions to this number 615-556-3887

**CAMP: Easter Seals of Tennessee** <http://tn.easterseals.com>

Click on services and camping/recreation Six day summer camp experience and weekend respites available.

**CAMP: Bill Rice Ranch (Hearing Impairment/Deaf)** [www.billriceranch.org/summercamps.php](http://www.billriceranch.org/summercamps.php)

With over 50 years of Christian camping experience, the Ranch offers the highest quality at very affordable rates! There are weeks for youth, juniors, deaf, and for the entire family.

**CAMP: The Center for Courageous Kids** [www.courageouskids.org](http://www.courageouskids.org)

Our mission is to uplift children who have life-threatening illnesses by creating experiences year-round that are memorable, exciting, fun, build self-esteem, are physically safe, and medically sound. We are a world class camping facility designed specifically for seriously ill and disabled children and their families.

**CAMP: Open Doors Camp** <http://www.opendoorstn.com/index.php?page=farm>

Powell, TN camp for kids with special needs under construction

**CAMP/DAY CAMP: Challenger Center** <http://www.utc.edu/Outreach/ChallengerCenter/SummerCamp.php>

Cosmic Space Quest Summer Camp

We will begin accepting registrations on February 1, 2013. Full payment is due at the time of registration. Please feel free to contact Ellie Wallis at [Ellie-Wallis@utc.edu](mailto:Ellie-Wallis@utc.edu) if you would like the registration packet in a different format. Summer camp registration packet online.

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**Half Day Camps**

4 & 5 year old Campers

Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: \$35 per camper (A mid-morning snack is provided.)

2013 Mini Quest Camp Dates:

June 21 *or* July 30

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**Saturday Camp**

Saturday Space Camp - One Day Camp

Campers in rising 1st - 8th grade

Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Cost: \$60 per camper (Lunch is included.)

2013 Saturday Space Camp Dates:

Saturday, June 29

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**One Day Camp**

Campers in rising 1st - 3rd grade

Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm

Cost: \$60 per camper (Lunch is included.)

2013 Summer Camp Dates:

June 20 *or* July 29

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**Five Day Camp**

Campers ages 4 - 5  
Time: 9:00am - 12:00pm  
Cost: \$200 per camper (A mid-morning snack and T-shirt included.)  
2013 Summer Camp Dates:  
June 24 - 28

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Three Day Patriotic Camp  
Campers in rising 3rd - 8th grade  
Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Cost: \$180 per camper (Lunch is included.)  
2013 Summer Camp Dates:  
July 1 - 3

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Five Day Camp  
Campers in rising 5th - 8th grade  
Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Cost: \$275 per camper (Lunch and T-shirt included.)  
2013 Summer Camp Dates:  
July 8 - 12

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Five Day Camp  
Campers in rising 1st - 3rd grade  
Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Cost: \$275 per camper (Lunch and T-shirt included.)  
2013 Summer Camp Dates:  
July 15 - 19

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Five Day Camp  
Campers in rising 3rd - 5th grade  
Time: 9:00am - 4:00pm  
Cost: \$275 per camper (Lunch and T-shirt included.)  
2013 Summer Camp Dates:  
July 22 - 26

**DAY CAMP: Brainerd Methodist Summer Program**

Summer child care program. We study different countries and have the zoo, aquarium and lots of friends visit us. We also have Spanish and Music classes each week plus an art studio, gym, 2 playgrounds, drama room, library and an amazing trained staff.

Time: 8-4pm Monday - Thursday  
Cost: \$35 per day or \$140 per week  
Contact info: 423-698-2030, brainerdumc.org, enasca@brainerdumc.org

**DAY CAMP: Camp Big Fish** [www.CampBigFish.org/locations](http://www.CampBigFish.org/locations)

Camp Big Fish is a summer long day camp centered on a safe Christ-like environment, excellent staff, and wide variety of fun and exciting camp activities. Kindergarten through sixth grade eligible for enrollment.

Dates: May 28 – Aug 2th (Monday through Fridays) 7:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.  
Drop-off is from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Pick- up is from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.  
One Camper \$100 / week, Two Campers \$175 / week, Three Campers \$225 / week  
Call: (423) 504-1622 Email: [directors@campbigfish.org](mailto:directors@campbigfish.org)  
Multiple locations (Hixson, Ooltawah, Knoxville)

**DAY CAMP: Camp Ability** <http://specialkidstn.com/camp-ability/>

Camp Ability of Special Kids is a Christian, summer day camp for children with special needs ages 6-25. Camp is designed to allow children with special needs to participate in an interactive, social, and just plain fun environment during the months of June and July each year. Our counselors focus on children's abilities rather than disabilities and find ways for all of our campers to participate in activities.

**DAY CAMP: Rivers Way** [www.RiversWay.org](http://www.RiversWay.org)

Physical activity is important for everyone, regardless of their abilities. At River's Way, we have several activity programs designed for youth with disabilities to get them moving and enjoying life. Come see what we have to offer. The South Holston River brings peace and serenity to Rivers Way, providing the perfect opportunity for our country's veterans to enjoy fly-fishing, fellowship and much needed recovery. Cast the line and see what you can catch. River's Way provides an amazing summer experience, offering team building and adventure programming for the area's youth of all abilities. There are many exciting 2012 summer programs to choose from, so take a look.

**DAY CAMP: Michaels Craft Stores**, <http://www.michaels.com/Exciting-Classes/classes,default,pg.html>

Day Camps, Stores in Ft. Oglethorpe, GA and Chattanooga, TN

**DAY CAMP: TRIAD – Social Skills Camp** <http://kc.vanderbilt.edu/triad/services/page.aspx?ID=12>

The TRIAD social skills summer camp is a social skills program designed specifically for children and adolescents with autism spectrum disorders who are between the ages of 6 and 21, and who have concerns with language and reading skills.

**DAY CAMP: Chattanooga Nature Center** <http://www.chattanooganaturecenter.org/summer-camp/>

Since 1979, the Chattanooga Nature Center has been a leader in providing innovative environmental education to more than a quarter million students in the tri-state area.

**DAY CAMP: Camp Zoo-Ability** <http://www.chattzoo.org/camps>

The Therapeutic Recreation Division of the Chattanooga Parks & Recreation Department seeks to provide leisure and recreation opportunities for citizens of all abilities. We serve both youth and adults with physical, cognitive, and/or emotional disabilities. Chattanooga Zoo/Parks & Rec Zooability is specifically designed for children with special needs. Campers enjoy a great week of fun animal encounters, special activities, and field trips. 9a-2p at Chattanooga Zoo. Dates June 24-28 ages 6-12, July 8-12 ages 13-21, July 22-26 22 and up Register 423-697-1345.

**DAY CAMP: Scenicland School** <http://www.sceniclandschool.org/index.php/summer-program>

What is SLS Academic Summer Program? SLS ASP is a five week intense interventional program utilizing The Hill Center reading, math, and language arts program. Who is it for? The SLS Academic Summer Program is for students that are experiencing challenges in reading, math, and language arts. These students may be home school, public, or private school students and they may or may not be receiving any services in their current placement.

**DAY CAMP: Spring Break Social Skills Group - Stellar Therapy** [www.stellartherapy.com](http://www.stellartherapy.com)

Help your child develop and practice social skills in this fun and engaging environment! Social games, activities, role playing, group exercises and discussions will be used to promote age appropriate peer interaction. Skills that will be addressed include: introductions, initiating conversations, making and keeping friends, being a good sport, asking questions, engaging in conversation and recognizing non verbal cues.

This program will be led by a Speech-Language Pathologist.

March 25-28 (Monday- Thursday) 1-3 PM

For ages 8-12 years old Cost: \$100

This group will meet at the Stellar Therapy Pediatric Clinic, 6172 Airways Boulevard, Suite 129 Chattanooga, TN 37421 Register by calling our office at 622-1551

**DAY CAMP: Spring Break Social Skills Group - Stellar Therapy** [www.stellartherapy.com](http://www.stellartherapy.com)

Stellar Therapy will be hosting summer camp programs and are currently working on our schedule and brochure. The schedule will be posted on our website in March. You can email us at [camps@stellartherapy.com](mailto:camps@stellartherapy.com) and request to be put on our email list for summer camp updates and information!

**DAY CAMP: Association for Visual Arts** <http://www.avarts.org/education/>

Summer Art Camp

**DAY CAMP: Camp Invention at Normal Park School** <http://www.summercamps.com/Detailed/26355.html>

**CAMP INVENTION** is a fun-filled adventure fostering inventive-thinking skills, science literacy, history and the arts in four activity-oriented modules created for children entering grades 1-6 #current K-5th graders#. Directed and taught by local teachers, children are challenged to identify solutions to real-world problems and are immersed in challenges that draw upon their sense of curiosity. In the Envision program, children travel to a faux-island called Magnetropolis via hand-crafted upcycled ships and build balloon bursting machines. It is learning disguised as fun.

**DAY CAMP: Performing Arts Dance Camp** [www.gbacademy.com](http://www.gbacademy.com)

Ginger Brown's Academy of performing Arts offers an 'all abilities', integrated dance classes. Dancers receive a camp T-shirt and there is a performance the last day for the parents. Drinks and snacks are provided, however, children bring their own lunch. Early drop off and late pick up are available. Participants will learn dance movement in jazz, tap, clog, ballet, hip hop, tumbling; also have art, voice and acting classes. This is a general introduction to various aspects of the performing arts, and classes will be beginner through intermediate levels. Campers do not need to have appropriate shoes for all genres of dance.

Dates: June 17-21st, 2013 from 8:30 am- 4:30 pm

Ages: 6 years old through teens

Cost: \$125 a week for full day. We offer a half day program for ages 3-6/7 cost is \$62.50. A 20% discount is given to 2nd (or more) child in the family.

For additional information call 706-861-6767, email [gbacademy@att.net](mailto:gbacademy@att.net)

**DAY CAMP: Tennessee Aquarium** <http://www.tnaqua.org/Education/SummerCamp.aspx>

Multiple day and overnight camp options. June 3-August 2, 2013. Registration opens March 4, 2013.

**DAY CAMP: Chattanooga Parks & Recreation Kidz Kamp** [www.chattanooga.gov/PRAC/30\\_Facilities.htm](http://www.chattanooga.gov/PRAC/30_Facilities.htm)

**Kidz Kamp** – The City of Chattanooga Parks and Recreation Department day camp for ages 6- 12, held at the Parks and Recreation Department's 16 community centers, is a great summer camp value! Campers will enjoy swimming, the "Spray & Play" at Warner Park, softball, golf, arts and crafts, dance, field trips, outdoor fun and more. Kids Kamp is offered in four two-week sessions from June 4 through Aug. 3, Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lunch is included. Pre registration is required. Email: [battle\\_k@chattanooga.gov](mailto:battle_k@chattanooga.gov)

**Appalachian Adventure Camp** – This camp, for ages 10-14, will be held June 25-29. Campers will experience whitewater kayaking, climbing and hiking in the Appalachian Mountains. Pre-requisites: Campers must have a moderate level of physical fitness and a thirst for adventure. They must also attend two Rapid Learning Whitewater program roll classes prior to camp (included in camp cost). Email: [battle\\_k@chattanooga.gov](mailto:battle_k@chattanooga.gov) Ages

**Tennessee River Gorge Adventure** – This camp, for ages 12-16, will be held July 23-27. Campers will canoe the Tennessee River Gorge for four days and three nights. The River Gorge adventure will include hiking and climbing along the gorge. Pre-requisites: Campers must have a moderate level of physical fitness and a thirst for adventure. They should be prepared to explore primitive environments and have a great time. Pre-registration is required.

To register or learn more, contact Terri Chapin at 423-643-6882, 423-643-6882 or email [terri@outdoorchattanooga.com](mailto:terri@outdoorchattanooga.com).

**DAY CAMP: Baylor School** [www.Baylorschool.org/summer/index.aspx](http://www.Baylorschool.org/summer/index.aspx)

No matter what you are looking for this summer you're sure to find it in one of Baylor's camps. We take full advantage of our amazing campus by offering a wide array of both boarding and day programs all summer long. We also take summer fun seriously, which means our camp counselors, faculty, and coaches are teaming up to provide each camper the best experience possible. So what are you waiting for? Make the most of summer by signing up today! Boarding Camps and Day Camps Available.

**DAY CAMP: McCallie School** <http://mccalliesummercamps.com/>

Camp for Boys, McCallie Day Camp, McCallie First Camp, Technology, Leadership, Overnight Camps, Art Camp, Baseball, Basketball, Cross-Training, Debate, Fly Fishing, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Paintball Camp, Sailing, Soccer, Swimming, Tennis, Wrestling.

**DAY CAMP: Kid Book Kamp – Learning RX** - <http://brightlivelikelihoods.com/kbkchat/>

During this week, campers will write and illustrate their own books that will then be published and sold on Amazon.

Dates: July 29-August 2, 2013 from 9:00AM-12:00PM.

Ages: 6-12 years old. \$225 per child.

Registration starts February 28, 2013. An early bird discount is available for parents who register prior to March 31

**DAY CAMP: University of Tennessee at Chattanooga** [www.utc.edu/about/summercamps.php](http://www.utc.edu/about/summercamps.php)

Youth University and Junior Camps

(423)425-4155

Youth University is a series of fun educational classes offered during the summer in a day-camp setting. Junior Camps are specific topic camps targeted to middle school and early high school students offered during the same time span as Youth University.

Challenger Cosmic Space Camps

(423)425-4126

UTC's Challenger Learning Center offers a variety of summer camp opportunities for ages 4 years thru rising 8th graders. Let your child explore the universe while learning the wonders of math, science, and teamwork.

Mocs Sports Camps

(423)425-4495

UTC Mocs coaches and players lead young athletes in skill building drills and gamesmanship. Camp opportunities offered for Individuals and teams in girls' basketball, boys' basketball, football, soccer, softball, volleyball, and wrestling.

**EQUESTRIAN: Hozho Therapeutic Equestrian Services at Mystery Dog Ranch**

<http://www.hozhotherapeutic.org/Programs.html>

Hozho is a PATH International Center Member (formally known as NARHA) and is proud to be a part of the industry leader in therapeutic riding. Our therapy program serves to develop self-esteem, fine motor skills, and socialization while utilizing some of the best program horses in the area.

*Therapeutic Riding Camp (for kids with disabilities)*

Tots: Ages 5-7, 9am to 1pm – \$125

Dates: , June 10-14, August 5-9

Older kids: Ages 8-22, 9am to 4pm \$175

Dates: June 3- 7, July 8-12, July 15-19, July 22-26, July 29-Aug 2

Phone: 706-935-5559

*Equestrian Camp (standard equestrian camps for all kids)*

Tot Camp: Ages 5-7, 9am to 1pm, June 3-7, Cost: \$175

Ages: 8 to 17 (9am to 4pm) Cost: \$250

June 10-14 (Horsemanship Camp), June 17-19 (3-day Vaulting), June 24-26 (3-day Horsemanship Camp), July 8-12

(Horsemanship Camp), July 15-19 (Horsemanship Camp), July 22-26 (Horsemanship Camp), July 29-Aug 2 (Horsemanship & 1 day Battlefield Ride, Must be able to post at the trot - \$300), Aug 5-9 (Horsemanship Camp)

Phone: 706-935-5559 - Email: [riding@mysterydogranch.com](mailto:riding@mysterydogranch.com)



Website: [www.hozhotherapeutic.org](http://www.hozhotherapeutic.org)

Email: [info@hozhotherapeutic.org](mailto:info@hozhotherapeutic.org)

Location: Mystery Dog Ranch, 975 Wooten Road, Ringgold, GA 30736

Remainder of Camps 9 am to 4 pm – Ages 8-17

**EQUESTRIAN: Rainbow Riders, Tri-State Therapeutic Riding Center** [www.tristatereinbowriders.com](http://www.tristatereinbowriders.com)

Our mission is to provide the opportunity for physical and emotional healing, equestrian education, and fulfillment of individual dreams in a structured therapeutic riding environment for mentally, physically, and emotionally challenged individuals.

*All-Abilities Summer Equestrian Camps.* This is an integrated equestrian camp for riders with or without disabilities.

Dates: June 4-6th and June 24-26 9am-2pm

Ages: 6 years and up.

Cost: \$150 – scholarships available

*Therapeutic Riding Summer Program (6 week session)*

Dates: June 24th-August 3<sup>rd</sup>

**EQUESTRIAN: Spirit Horse at Eagles Rest Ranch** <http://eaglesrestranchcom.ipage.com/index.html>

SpiritHorse Day Camp at Eagles Rest Ranch holds an integrated camp for all ages and all abilities. Campers enjoy a fun filled, learning and supportive atmosphere! Campers enjoy Horseback riding with one staff member per 1-2 campers, team skills building activities, arts and crafts, archery and water sports. We have an Independence Strides saddle for our non-ambulatory riders. Ages three and up.

Dates: May 27th – 31st, June 3rd – 7th and June 10th – 14<sup>th</sup>

Time: 9am to 4pm or 5pm - Cost: \$250 per week

Register: Ginger 423-421-3205, [ginger@eaglesrestranch.com](mailto:ginger@eaglesrestranch.com)

**SPORTS: Green's Karate** [www.greenskarate.com](http://www.greenskarate.com)

Green's Karate teaches after school, daycare, and summer camps as well as women's self defense classes. Special needs and inclusive classes available.

**SPORTS: FREE Kids Summer Bowling** [www.kidsbowlfree.com](http://www.kidsbowlfree.com)

Select bowling centers and schools around the country are participating in the "Kids bowl free" program. This program is designed by bowling centers to give back to the community and provide a safe, secure, and fun way for kids to spend time.

**SPORTS: Blaze Sports Camps** – [www.blazesports.org](http://www.blazesports.org)

BlazeSports provides sports training, competitions, summer camps and other sports and recreational opportunities for youth and adults with spinal cord injury, spinan bifida, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, muscular dystrophy, amputation, visual impairments, etc.

**SPORTS: YMCA- Sunshine Project** - <http://www.ymcachattanooga.org/downtown/swim-lessons>

This class is designed for children who have been diagnosed with Autism or other physical or developmental disabilities. The objectives are to have fun, exercise, learn swimming safety and enjoy interaction with other children. The class also provides parents of special needs children with the proper education for supervising and working with their children in the water. A parent or trusted adult must accompany the child in the water. There is no fee for the class, but registration is required.

A special needs swim series; this class is designed for parents to accompany their children who have been diagnosed with Autism or other physical or developmental disabilities. The YMCA aims for these children to have fun, exercise, learn swimming safety, and enjoy interaction with other children. We also aim to provide parents of special needs children with the proper education for supervising and working with their children in the water. (A parent, guardian, or trusted adult, 18 or older, must accompany the child in the water).

**SPORTS: Performing Summer Clinic [www.gbacademy.com](http://www.gbacademy.com)**

Classes are offered in tap, jazz, clog, ballet, baton, hip hop, and tumbling. Call the studio for specific class times for various genres of dance.

Dates: Tuesday nights beginning July 2nd and going thru August 6th

Ages: 6 years old through teens

Cost: Cost is \$45 for the 6 week session for 1 class weekly, a 20% discount is given for additional classes and for siblings.

Half day program for ages 3-6/7 cost is \$62.50. A 20% discount is given to 2nd (or more) child in the family.

For additional information call 706-861-6767, email [gbacademy@att.net](mailto:gbacademy@att.net)

**SUMMER PROGRAM: Chattanooga Boys Choir <http://chattanoogaboyschoir.org/Recruiting2012.html>**

**PERFORM** With over 25 performances each season in the Chattanooga area, throughout the United States, and around the world, your chorister would have several unique and unforgettable performance opportunities on everything from Bach to the Beatles!

**TRAVEL** As Chattanooga's official "Ambassadors of Goodwill," the CBC tour choir has traveled to over 20 foreign countries and throughout the United States. Recent tours have included the Czech Republic, Canada, Ireland, Carnegie Hall in New York City, and the Piccolo Spoleto Festival.

**LEARN** The Chattanooga Boys Choir has a computer music theory lab and custom-tailored music education curriculum which, when completed, includes music theory ability comparable to a college freshman theory course. Additional aspects of the curriculum include musicianship, vocal technique, and ear training that equip a young man for a lifetime of musical enjoyment .

**GROW** In addition to the significant musical opportunities that our members experience, parents consistently and positively remark about the traits of organizational skills, good work ethic, responsibility, teamwork, good work habits, and communication skills that our choristers learn and develop through the choir.

**EXPERIENCE** Founded in 1954, the Chattanooga Boys Choir is one of the area's oldest and most respected cultural institutions in the region. As a member of the choir, your son will be an important part of a legacy that continues to grow in stature and prominence.

**SUMMER PROGRAM: Chattanooga Girls Choir <http://www.chattanoogagirlschoir.com/cgcaud.htm>**

The Chattanooga Girls Choir consists of five choirs and a young girls music class. different age-level choirs for girls in grades 3 through 12. Starting fall 2012, the CGC Novellina Choir, non-auditioned 3rd grade choir, will begin to meet August through May. Also being introduced is the Songbirds, a 1st and 2nd grade music class that will meet on Mondays from 5pm to 5:45pm, August through May. Girls in 4th through 12th grades are asked to audition for membership in the Chattanooga Girls Choir. Auditions take approximately 15 minutes and consist of a written evaluation of music fundamentals (ability to read and understand music) followed by a brief appraisal of vocal ability. Each girl is asked to perform a song at her audition that she knows and is comfortable singing. "My Country 'Tis of Thee" is one song that the CGC recommends for auditions.

The primary factors in deciding a girl's readiness for the choir are:

- \* a pleasing voice
- \* mastery of pitch and rhythm
- \* a mastery of music fundamentals (for 6th grade and up only)
- \* an indication that the child wants to sing with the Girls Choir enough to make the necessary commitment of time and effort

If a girl is not accepted as a member of the choir after her first audition, she will receive suggestions for skills to work on. It is not uncommon for a girl to improve her musical abilities over a period of a few months, reaudition, and be accepted into the choir. Auditions for the Chattanooga Girls Choir are held in April and May each year, with mid-year auditions in December by special request.

**YEAR ROUND: Brainerd Methodist Preschool**

During the school year we accept children ages 6 weeks through 5th grade for drop off care.

Time: 9am to 2:30pm

Cost: \$25 per day

Location: 4315 Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37411

**YEAR ROUND: Brainerd Methodist Co-Op**

Drop-off program for Special Needs Children ages 5 to 10 years old

Time: Monday and Wednesday from 9 to 2pm, anytime of the year.

Cost: \$135 per month

Location: 4315 Brainerd Road, Chattanooga, TN 37411

Contact info: 423-698-2030, brainerdumc.org, enasca@brainerdumc.org

**RESOURCE: Tennessee Camps for Children with Special Needs** [www.etch.com/rehabcamps.pdf](http://www.etch.com/rehabcamps.pdf)

Summer activities for children with special needs – alphabetized list compiled by East Tennessee Children’s Hospital.

**RESOURCE: Activity Tree** [www.Activitytree.com](http://www.Activitytree.com)

The largest online resource for U.S. parents to find information on *ONLY* kid's classes, camps, sports leagues, party places and fun spots. Our mission is to make it easy and affordable to get our nation's children active in both body and mind. We offer parents an extensive, user-friendly marketplace to find activity information. Search by zip code, city or activity. We have deals! Several of our activity provider partners offer discounts on their programs. We fund and administer an activity scholarship program. ActivityTree makes it easier than ever before to get kids active!

**RESOURCE: Chattanooga Parent Magazine** [www.chattanoogaarentmagazine.com](http://www.chattanoogaarentmagazine.com)

Online listing of summer camp options.

**RESOURCE: Vanderbilt Children’s Hospital Camp Directory**

<http://www.vanderbiltchildrens.com/interior.php?mid=1007>

The Vanderbilt Children’s Hospital camp directory provides information on summer programs for children with chronic illnesses and disabilities. Most of the camps and programs listed are in the Middle Tennessee region. National camps serving children with chronic conditions are included for some specific conditions.

**RESOURCE: American Camp Association Southeastern Camp Directory** <http://find.acacamps.org/>

Online search for camps accredited by the American Camp Association

**DISCLAIMER** – *This information was accurate at the time of compilation. Please contact each individual provider for details about times, dates, places, prices, or any accommodations/modifications that might be necessary for your child to attend. Not all activities listed here might be accessible to every child with special needs. Please research and ask questions based on your specific needs.*

**FUNDING FOR SUMMER CAMPS** – *Sometimes Family Support will pay for Summer Camps under the Respite category. Please contact Robin Phillips at TEAM Centers/FamilySupport to see if your child qualifies. 423-622-0500*

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES/NEW CONTACT INFORMATION** – *If you are aware of any changes and or additional options that need to be included on this list, especially those that might be available in northwest Georgia, please forward the information to [lifelinemistry@juno.com](mailto:lifelinemistry@juno.com) with SUMMER CAMP UPDATE in the subject line. Thanks for helping us keep this list up to date!*



Reaching Families with Special Needs  
with Support, Education, and Resources

*LifeLine is a Christian non-profit ministry organization based in Chattanooga, Tennessee serving families of those with special needs in the Chattanooga metropolitan area and northwest Georgia. Our purpose is to provide support, education, and resources to caregivers serving a family member living with a chronic or temporary, medical or educational, physical or emotional disability.*

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