

2009 Special Needs Directory Activities, Recreation and Respite



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GEORGIA LEARNING RESOURCES SYSTEM

During the summer months many parents want to find recreational or camp programs for their children. Sometimes it can be especially hard to find programs that accept children with disabilities or programs that are specifically designed for these youngsters. The purpose of this Directory is to help parents, educators, and other interested citizens in the Metro Atlanta area find such programs.

The Directory presents information on day camps, residential camps, school camps and various recreational and instructional programs that accept youngsters with disabilities. Most programs listed are located in Georgia. A few camps outside the State of Georgia that are specifically designed to accommodate the needs of children with disabilities are listed. Many fine programs serving youngsters with disabilities have, no doubt, been unintentionally omitted due to our lack of knowledge of these programs. If you know of a program serving youth with disabilities which is not included in this Directory, please bring it to our attention so that the program might be included in next year's updated Directory.

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We hope you will find this resource guide helpful in identifying community, state, and regional programs available to children and youth with disabilities.

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**If you were a teacher or parent of a child with a disability,
where would you go for help?**



GLRS....A RESOURCE NETWORK FOR YOU!

What is GLRS?

The Georgia Learning Resources System (GLRS) is a statewide network of 17 resource centers offering free services to parents and educators of students with disabilities.

What is the mission of GLRS?

The mission of GLRS is to provide human and material resources for direction and support to educators and parents of students with disabilities.

What types of resources are available through GLRS?

- u Loan library of specialized instructional materials, books, software, adapted toys, and equipment
- u Parent and teacher training workshops and classes
- u Materials production area for users to make “hands-on” instructional materials
- u Referral and information about services for students with disabilities

Where are the centers located?

GLRS Centers are strategically located across Georgia so that no citizen is more than 50 miles away from a GLRS Center.

Coastal – Savannah	1-800-827-5239	Northeast – Winterville	1-706-742-8292
East Central – Dublin	1-478-275-3666	Northwest – Rome	1-706-295-6189
East Georgia – Augusta	1-800-282-7552	South Central – Waycross	1-912-338-5998
Metro East – Atlanta	1-678-676-2400	South Georgia – Lenox	1-229-546-4367
Metro South – Griffin	1-770-412-4082	Southeast – Claxton	1-912-739-1551
Metro West – Atlanta	1-770-432-2404	Southwest – Albany	1-229-432-9151
Middle Georgia – Macon	1-478-475-8628	West Central – Grantville	1-770-583-2528
North Central – Ellijay	1-706-276-1111	West Georgia – Columbus	1-706-748-2140
North Georgia – Cleveland	1-706-865-2043	State GLRS Coordinator	1-404-657-9971

Tips for Choosing a Summer Camp

When choosing a summer camp program for a child with disabilities, the most important question is *will they understand and take good care of my child?* This can be answered by lengthy conversations with camp personnel or the director. If a camp is too busy to return your phone calls, or take the time to talk at length with you, will they be too busy for your child as well? Regardless of all that a camp may have to offer, if the director or the staff is too busy for you now, it should be a red flag. Find a camp that will give your child the time and attention that you both deserve. Consider these factors when determining what camp program will best fit the needs of your child:

Type of Program

Decide early in the process what type of program you want for your child. Camps are offered as day programs (campers go home at night) and residential programs (campers board at the facility for the length of their stay). Lengths of programs vary from as short as a few days to several weeks. Be certain that your child is ready to cope with the length of the program you select. Camp programs are available in both single sex formats and co-ed. Consider your child's social skills level and ability to cope with the demands of mixed social situations when deciding which of these environments would be best. Program philosophy should be clearly stated in the camp literature. Your family should be comfortable with this philosophy and confident that it will deliver an enjoyable experience for your child. Of particular importance is the camp's policy regarding family communication with the child. Will the child be expected, in fact encouraged, to write to his/her family during the camp stay? Will phone calls to/from home be allowed? Children with disabilities often have differing needs for family contact and you should be certain that the camp policy will not conflict with those needs.

Type of Camp

There are many choices! Your child can be mainstreamed into a regular camp setting, or be at a camp that focuses on their particular needs. There are also camps that mix up the needs, such as learning disabilities, emotional disabilities, and physical disabilities. And then there are camps that truly specialize. You'll need to decide which type of environment will best address your child's needs.

Size

What are you ideally looking for? Camps range in size from 500 or more children per session to as small as 30-35 per session. It is purely a personal decision for each family. Make a point of asking the camp director for information about the number of campers in the program.

Educational vs. Recreational

Many camps are purely recreational, while other programs combine both recreational and educational activities. Some programs while calling themselves *camp* have a strong instructional focus. Inquire about the percentage of camp time devoted to varying activities and decide what mix will best serve your child's specific needs.

Location and Facilities

Choose the type of setting that you think your child will enjoy. The western half of the country has many beautiful lakefront and forest locations. Many camps are schools that convert to camp/summer school during the summer months. There are fewer camps in the west, but the west offers a completely different experience because of the Rocky Mountains and the distinctive western culture. Some camps are luxurious and others are true camping experiences. Ask about eating, sleeping, and bathing facilities and be sure that your child will be comfortable in the particular setting offered by the camp.

Staff

The American Camping Association requires one counselor for every eight children. When dealing with children with disabilities, a higher staff ratio is preferred. For residential programs, be sure to determine the level of staff supervision in the evening hours. You want your child to receive the attention needed in the camp environment. In addition, it is important to determine if the teachers and/or counselors are educated, certified, and trained to work with children with disabilities. In addition, determine the level of medical training the staff has received. If your child takes regular medication, will trained staff be on duty each day to administer the medication?

Summer camp should focus on enhancing your child's self-esteem and independence. The successful camp experience should improve social skills and provide quality peer relationships. Hopefully your camper will return with better self-esteem than when the summer began.

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Other Points in Choosing an Instructional or Recreational Program

- Talk with parents of students who have attended the program. Ask the program director for some names of former participants.
- Select a program based on your child's individual needs as well as interests. Remember, a program may be excellent but not one for your child.
- Help the program be a successful experience for your child by providing clear, accurate information about your child's strengths, weaknesses and special needs.
- Help your child be successful by talking about camp activities and routines, and possibly, showing pictures of camp and camping activities. If you can, let your child visit the camp. Some camps offer family weekends.
- Be certain you know your total costs including all incidental charges.
- If possible, visit the program location during operation hours. Seeing a program in operation is often the best test of a program.

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FOCUS – Families of Children Under Stress
The Frazer Center
Georgia Art Therapy Association
Georgia Association for Play Therapy
Hebron Baptist Church
INSPIRE
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
Kidsplay Therapy Center
Lekotek
Loving Care Family Services and Respite Program, LLC
Music Therapy Services of Greater Atlanta, LLC
ProMotion Fitness Center
Rockdale County Therapeutic Recreation
Sensory Friendly Films at AMC Entertainment®
Sonrise Camp
Special Equestrians of Georgia
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Tessitura Studio
United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, Inc.

Amputee

Amputee Coalition of America
BlazeSports America

Asthma

American Lung Association
Camp Twin Lakes
University Healthcare System – Camp Whispering Wind

Attention Deficit, Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorders

Ameri-Kan Karate
Aurora Strategies, Inc.
Beyond Words Center
Camp Academia
Camp Friendship
Center for Psychological and Educational Assessment
Children's Special Services
Circus Arts Institute

Clay White, LLC
The Cottage School
Cumberland Academy
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Dream Quest Equine-Facilitated Psychotherapy and Therapeutic Riding
Extra Special People
Firefly Studio
The 504 School
Frontier Travel Camp, Inc.
Heartbeats and Hoofbeats
The Howard School
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Georgia Baptist Children's Homes
Learning on the Log
Porter Academy
Ride-A-Wish, Inc.
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Ameri-Kan Karate
Angels on Horseback
Atlanta Gymnastics
Beyond Words Center
Caglewood
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Camp Friendship
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Camp Yofi
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Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
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Bereavement

Camp Stars
Camp Twin Lakes
Dream Quest Equine-Facilitated Psychotherapy and Therapeutic Riding
Hope House Children's Respite Center – Camp High Hopes

Blind, Visually Impaired

Alliance Theatre
American Association of Adapted Sports Programs
BlazeSports America
Center for the Visually Impaired
Christian Record Services and National Camps for the Blind
Clemson Outdoor Lab – Camp Lion's Den
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Henry County Parks and Recreation
Georgia Lion's Camp for the Blind, Inc.
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
SCVIS Space Camp for Interested Visually Impaired Students
South Carolina Lions – Camp Lions Den and Camp Leo
Special Equestrians of Georgia
Tessitura Studio

Brain Injured

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.
Alternative Gym
BEATS
Brain Injury Association of Georgia
Camp ASCCA Easter Seals
Chastain Horse Park, Ltd.
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries, Inc.

Burn Injured

Georgia Baptist Children's Homes
Georgia Firefighters Burn Foundation

Cerebral Palsy

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Tessitura
United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
Voices in Motion, Inc.

Chronic Illnesses: Bleeding Disorders, Cancer, Diabetes, Heart, HIV, Intestinal Diseases, Kidney Dialysis, Organ Transplants, Sickle Cell

American Diabetes Association
Association of Hole in the Wall Camps
Camp Happy Days
Camp Ke-a-Later
Camp Kudzu
Camp Sunshine
Camp Twin Lakes
Children's Center for Digestive Healthcare - Camp Wee-Kan-Eat-It
Children's Harbor, Inc.
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Camp Twin Lakes
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Florida Camp for Children and Youth with Diabetes –FCCYD
Foundation for Dreams, Inc. – Dream Oaks Camp
Georgia Celiac Foundation
Heavenly Angels Home Child Care and Respite Services
Hemophilia of Georgia – Camp Wannaklot
Kiki's Kids Camp

National Kidney Foundation Serving Georgia– Camp Independence
Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia, Inc.
Southeastern Diabetes Education Services
Thalassemia Family Weekend at Camp Twin Lakes
University Health Care System – Camp Juliet

Craniofacial Disorders

Craniofacial Conditions Weekend at Camp Twin Lakes

Cystic Fibrosis

Sunny Shores Sea Camp

Deaf – Blind

Georgia Association of the Deaf-Blind (GADB)
Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youth and Adults

Deaf, Hard of Hearing

Alliance Theatre
America Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Atlanta Speech School
Camp Indian Springs
Camp Sertoma
Camp Shocco for the Deaf
Clemson Outdoor Lab – Camp Sertoma
Georgia Council for the Hearing Impaired – Camp Julienna
Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
Space Camp for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students

Depression

Chastain Horse Park, Ltd.
Dream Quest Equine-Facilitated Psychotherapy and Therapeutic Riding

Developmental, Cognitive Disabilities

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.
Allternative Gym
Ameri-Kan Karate
Angels on Horseback
Archdiocese of Atlanta - Toni's Camp Retreat
Associated Therapies
Athens-Clarke County Leisure Services
Atlanta Alliance on Developmental Disabilities (AADD)
Aurora Strategies, Inc.
BEATS
Butterfly Dreams Farm Therapeutic Riding Program
Caglewood
Calvin Center
Camp ASCCA Easter Seals
Camp Big Heart
Camp Lee Mar
Camp Twin Lakes
Camp Virginia Jaycee
Center for Psychological and Educational Assessment

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Chastain Horse Park, Ltd.
Children's Special Services
City of Alpharetta
City of Atlanta Therapeutic Recreation
City of Roswell Therapeutic Recreation
Clayton County Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Division
Clemson Outdoor Lab – Camp Hope, Camp Sunshine
Cobb County Parks, Recreation Therapeutic Recreation Services
Coweta Organization for Riding Rehabilitation and Learning – CORRAL
DeKalb County Parks and Recreation Programs for Therapeutic Recreation
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
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Dynamo Swim Center
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Frontier Travel Camp, Inc.
Full Radius Dance
Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries, Inc. – Camp Hawkins
Georgia Community Support and Solutions
Grayson Athletic Association
Great Prospects
The Guided Tour, Inc.
Gwinnett Parks and Recreation Center
Happy Club
Heart of Hope Academy
Heartbeats and Hoofbeats
Heavenly Angels Home Child Care and Respite Services
Hebron Baptist Church Vacation Bible School
Henry County Parks and Recreation
Infinity Elite Cheerleading
Integrating Pathways for Children
Jewish Family and Career Services.
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
Lekotek of Georgia, Inc.
Little League Challenger Division
Lutheran Church of the Resurrection
Marcus Jewish Community Center of Atlanta – Camp Barney Medintz and Camp Isidore Alterman –
Chaverim Unit
McKenna Farms Therapy Services, Inc.
Metro Atlanta Respite and Developmental Services (MARDS)
Miracle League Association
North Metro Baptist Church, Special Needs Ministry
Ride-A-Wish, Inc.
Parkwood Farms Therapy Center, Inc.
The Reece Center for Handicapped Horsemanship
Rockdale County Parks and Recreation
Sonrise Camp
South Carolina Jaycees – Jaycee Camp Hope

South DeKalb Association for Super Special Youth - SASSY
Southern Behavioral Group
Sparrowood
Special Equestrians of Georgia
Special K's
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Special Olympics Georgia
Special Populations Tennis Program
Sugarloaf United Methodist Church
Summit Camp and Travel
Tennessee Jaycees Foundation – Camp Discovery
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TopSoccer Outreach Program
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Voices & Motion, Inc.
Wellspring Camp
YMCA
Young Chef's Academy

Down Syndrome

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Early Intervention Services

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Challenged Child and Friends
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Elaine Clark Center
Helping Hands Pediatric Therapy, Inc.
Integrating Pathways for Children
Kidsplay Therapy Center
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Speech Pathology Services, Inc. (SPS, Inc.)

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Special Equestrians of Georgia
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Summit Camp and Travel

Epilepsy

Atlanta Gymnastics
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia

Facilities (Accessible parks, accessible camping facilities, services)

Camp ASCCA Easter Seals
Camp Twin Lakes
Children's Harbor
City of Roswell's Waller Park
Collinswood of Aldersgate Homes
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Fulton County
Grayson Athletic Association – Unity Place at Bay Creek Park
Gwinnett County Parks and Recreation – Unity Place at Bay Creek Park
National Railroad Passenger Corporation Amtrak Disabled Travelers Discount
Peachtree City, accessible playground behind City Hall
SalonRed and Spa

Sonrise Camp
Will-A-Way Group Camp at Ft. Yargo

Foster Care

Creative Community Services

Fragile X Syndrome

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Camp STARS

Southwest Christian Care - Hope House Children's Respite Center

Learning Disabilities

Atlanta Speech School

Aurora Strategies, Inc.

The Bedford School

Beyond Words Center

Camp Academia

Camp Friendship

Center for Psychological and Educational Assessment

Challenged Child and Friends

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Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
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Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.
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Challenged Child and Friends
Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta
Children’s Special Services, LLC
Creative Therapy, Inc.
Excellence in Therapy
Firefly Studio
Greater Atlanta Speech and Language Clinics
Helping Hands Pediatric Therapy, Inc.
Integrating Pathways for Children
Kidsplay Therapy Center
Klub Kids
Parkwood Farms Therapy Center, Inc.
Speech Pathology Services, Inc. (SPS, Inc.)
Therapy Works, PC

Physical Disabilities

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.
Allternative Gym
American Association of Adapted Sports Programs
Ameri-Kan Karate
Amputee Coalition of America
Angels on Horseback
Archdiocese of Atlanta
Associated Therapies
Athens-Clarke County Leisure Services
BEATS
BlazeSports America
Butterfly Dreams Farm Therapeutic Riding Program
Calvin Center
Camp ASCCA Easter Seals
Camp Dream by the Georgia Jaycees
Camp Virginia Jaycee
Challenged Child and Friends

Chastain Horse Park, Ltd.
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Circus Arts Institute
City of Atlanta Therapeutic Recreation
City of Roswell Therapeutic Recreation
Clayton County Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Division
Cobb County Parks and Recreation Therapeutic Recreation Services
Collinswood of Aldersgate Homes
Coweta Organization for Riding Rehabilitation and Learning – CORRAL
DeKalb County Parks and Recreation Programs for Therapeutic Recreation
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Dream Power Therapeutic Equestrian Center
Dream Quest Equine-Facilitated Psychotherapy and Therapeutic Riding
Dynamo Swim Center
Easter Seals Camps
Firefly Studio
FOCUS
Foundation for Dreams, Inc. – Dream Oaks Camp
Full Radius Dance
Georgia Special Sportsmen
Grayson Athletic Association
The Guided Tour, Inc.
Heartbeats and Hoofbeats
Henry County Parks and Recreation
Infinity Elite Cheerleading
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
McKenna Farms Therapy Services, Inc.
The Guided Tour, Inc.
Gwinnett Parks and Recreation Center
Kidsplay Therapy Center
Lekotek
Little League Challenger Division
McKenna Farms Therapy Services, Inc.
Metro Atlanta Respite and Developmental Services (MARDS)
Miracle League Association
ProMotion Fitness Center
The Reece Center for Handicapped Horsemanship
Ride-A-Wish
Rockdale County Parks and Recreation
Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation
Shepherd Center
South Carolina Jaycees – Jaycee Camp Hope
Special Equestrians of Georgia
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Speech Pathology Services, Inc. (SPS, Inc.)
Tennessee Jaycees Foundation – Camp Discovery
Tessitura Studio
Therapy Works PC
TopSoccer Outreach Program
United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, Inc.
Walton Rehabilitation Hospital
Wellspring Camp

Wheelchair Tennis Instructional Clinics
YMCA of Metro Atlanta
Young Chef's Academy

Prader-Willie

All About Kids
Douglas County Parks and Recreation

Professional Organizations

Georgia Art Therapy Association
Georgia Association for Play Therapy
Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association

Respite Care Needs

Creative Community Services – therapeutic foster care
Dream House for Medically Fragile Children
Family Private Care, LLC
Georgia Baptist Children's Homes and Family Ministries, Inc. – Matthews Time
Georgia Community Support and Solutions
Heavenly Angels Childcare and Respite Services
Hebron Baptist Church
Hope House Children's Respite Center – medically fragile
Jewish Family and Career Services
Johnson Ferry Baptist Church
Loving Care Family Services, LLC.
Metro Atlanta Respite and Developmental Services (MARDS)
North Metro Baptist Church
Pediatrics Health Care for Kids
Rockdale County – Our Place
Southwest Christian Care
Spectrum

Sensory Integration

Ameri-Kan Karate
Angels on Horseback
BEATS
Chastain Horse Park, Ltd.
Children's Special Services, LLC
Clay White, LLC
Creative Therapy, Inc.
Integrating Pathways for Children
Learning on the Log
Lekotek of Georgia, Inc.
Speech Pathology Services, Inc. (SPS, Inc.)
Tessitura Studio
Therapy Works, PC

Sickle Cell

Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia, Inc.

Skin Conditions

American Academy of Dermatology

Social Skills Training

Aurora Strategies, Inc.
Beyond Words Center
Camp Friendship
Center for Psychological and Educational Assessment
Children's Special Services, LLC
The Cottage School
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Elaine Clark Center
Emory Autism Center
Helping Hands Pediatric Therapy, Inc.
Pals Klub @ Klub Kids
Second Chance Fund
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Therapy Works, PC

Speech, Language

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Associated Therapies
Atlanta Speech School
Aurora Strategies, Inc.
Beyond Words Center
Camp Academia
Challenged Child and Friends
Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
Firefly Studio
Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Greater Atlanta Speech and Language Clinics
Helping Hands Pediatric Therapy, Inc.
Kidsplay Therapy Center
Klub Kids
McKenna Farms Therapy
Parkwood Farms Therapy Center, Inc.
Ride-A-Wish
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Speech Pathology Services, Inc. (SPS, Inc.)
Therapy Works, PC

Spina Bifida

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.
BEATS
BlazeSports America
Challenged Child and Friends
Creative Therapy, Inc.
Douglas County Parks and Recreation
Easter Seals Camps
Heartbeats and Hoofbeats
Henry County Parks and Recreation
Lekotek of Georgia, Inc.
Special Equestrians of Georgia
Spina Bifida Camps

Tourette Syndrome

Camp Friendship
Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett
Summit Camp and Travel
Tourette Syndrome Association of Georgia/South Carolina

Traumatic Brain Injury

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.
Alternative Gym
BEATS
BlazeSports America
Brain Injury Association of Georgia
Walton Rehabilitation Hospital

Vent

Miami Children's Hospital
Vent Kids of Alabama – Light the Way Camp

Alphabetical Listing of Camps, Activities and Respite Care

All About Kids Therapy Services, Inc.

Attn: Amie LoCicero
318 West Pike Street, Suite 104
Lawrenceville, Georgia 30043
678-377-2833

allaboutkids@bellsouth.net

www.allaboutkidstherapyservices.com

Disabilities Served: Cerebral palsy, brain injured, developmental, cognitive disabilities, Down syndrome, early intervention needs, muscular dystrophy, occupational and physical therapy needs, physical disabilities, Prader-Willie, spina bifida, traumatic brain injury
Focus: Physical and occupational therapies including intensive therapy program and sensory integration program
Ages: 3 – 21 years
Locations: Buford, Norcross, Stone Mountain, Loganville

Alliance Theatre at the Woodruff Arts Center

Monica Boerckel, Administrative Director Theatre for Youth
1280 Peachtree Street, NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30309
404-733-4650 – Alliance Children’s Theatre
404-733-5000 – Alliance Theatre

monica.boerckel@woodruffcenter.org

www.alliancetheatre.org

Services for the disabled:

Sign language interpreted or audio described performances

Alternative Gym

Angie Gomez
1899 Lake Road, Suite 222
Hiram, Georgia 30141
678-945-4662
1-877-425-5496 toll free

alternativegym@bellsouth.net

www.alternativegym.com

Disabilities Served: Cerebral palsy, autism, obesity, stroke survivors brain/spinal trauma, Down Syndrome
Focus: Adaptive physical fitness
Ages: 12 months up

America the Beautiful – National Parks And Federal Recreation Lands Pass

www.nps.gov/fees_passes.htm

Services for the disabled:

Lifetime pass to Federal recreation sites for residents with permanent disabilities
Free with documentation
Must be picked up in person at the park

American Academy of Dermatology

Camp Discovery
930 E Woodfield Road
Schaumburg, Illinois 60173
847-240-1737 toll free
www.aad.org

Disabilities Served: Serious skin conditions
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 10 – 16 years
Other: Referral by dermatologist necessary; full scholarships including transportation
Locations: Minnesota, Pennsylvania and Texas

American Association of Adapted Sports Programs

P. O. Box 451047
Atlanta, Georgia 31145
404-294-0070
sports@adaptedsports.org
www.adaptedsports.org

Disabilities Served: Physical and visual
Focus: School system based athletics
Ages: School age
Locations: Schools and community organizations

American Diabetes Association

17 Executive Park Drive, Suite 115
Atlanta, Georgia 30329
404-320-7100 Ext. 3086
1-888-DIABETES
www.diabetes.org/communityprograms-and-localevents/whatslocal.jsp
www.diabetes.org/communityprograms-and-localevents/diabetescamps/nationwide.jsp

Disabilities Served: Diabetes
Focus: Recreation and Diabetes management
Ages: All Students
Locations: Alabama, Florida, South Carolina

American Lung Association

Southeast Region, Inc.
2452 Spring Road
Smyrna, Georgia 30080
770-434-5864 X 516
chopkins@alase.org, Collette Hopkins, Camp Director
www.alase.org

Disabilities Served: Mild to severe asthma
Focus: Recreation and promotion of self-confidence and responsibility in managing asthma
Ages: 7 – 13 years
Other: Camps in Georgia are **Camp Breathe Easy** at Camp Twin Lakes, **Camp Champ** in Augusta, and **Camp Catch-A-Breath** in Albany
Camps in South Carolina are: **Camp Puff'n** in Charleston, **Camp Air Waves** in Myrtle Beach, and **Camp Sea Breeze** in Beaufort

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

www.asha.org/public/outreach/camps/summer_camp6.htm

Listing of speech-language-hearing camps by region

Ameri-Kan Karate

Ameri-Kan Karate for Individuals with Special Needs
Ryan Mitchell, OTRL
3020 Edwards Drive
Conyers, Georgia 30013
770-722-1347

Disabilities Served: Physical and Developmental, including autism, Down syndrome, individuals with sensory integration dysfunction
Focus: Special needs karate, handwriting, occupational therapy,

Karate@wckarate.com
www.ryanmitchellot.com
www.WCAKarate.com

advocacy, recreation, social
Ages: 4 years up
Location: World Class American Karate

Amputee Coalition of America
Youth Activities Program Camp – YAP
Held at Joy Outdoor Education Center in Ohio
900 East Hill Avenue, Suite 205
Knoxville, Tennessee 37915-2566
1-888-267-5669 - Toll Free
www.amputee-coalition.org/youth.html

Disabilities Served: Amputees
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 10 - 16 years

Angels on Horseback, Inc.
Therapeutic Riding, N.A.R.H.A.
335 Oglethorpe Mountain Road #20750
Jasper, Georgia 30143
770-893-1992
leslie@angelsonhorseback.org Leslie Elliott
www.angelsonhorseback.org

Disabilities Served: Mental and physical disabilities
Focus: Therapeutic Recreational Riding
Ages: 5+ years thru adults
Other: NARAH certified instructors

Archdiocese of Atlanta
Toni's Camp Retreat
Edward F. McCoy, Director
680 West Peachtree Street, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30308-1984
404-888-7809 (V/TTY)
emccoy@archatl.com
www.archatl.com

Disabilities Served: Physical and developmental impairments
Focus: Spiritual retreat
Ages: 14 years up

Associated Therapies
1244 Clairmont Road, Suite 109
Decatur, Georgia 30030
404-728-9766
assotheapies@aol.com
www.associatedtherapies.com

Disabilities Served: Physical, developmental, and speech disabilities
Focus: Therapeutic recreation
Ages: 3 – 8 years

The Association of Hole in the Wall Camps
265 Church Street, Suite #503
New Haven, Connecticut 06510
203-562-1203
info@holeinthewallcamps.org
www.holeinthewallcamps.org

Disabilities Served: Serious, chronic illnesses, life-threatening conditions
Focus: Recreational and therapeutic camping with 24 hour state of the art medical care provides
Ages: Children
Other: Worldwide camps, including Florida and North Carolina, no fee
Specialty camps, family camps, sibling camps

Athens-Clarke County Leisure Services

Project START

Attn: Leslie Trier, M. Ed, CTRS

293 Gran Ellen Drive

Athens, Georgia 30606

706-613-3580

leslietrier@co.clarke.ga.uswww.accleisureservices.com**Disabilities Served:** Developmental disabilities**Focus:** Recreation and functional academics/daily living skills**Ages:** Students in grades 1 - 12**Other:** Open only to qualifying students attending school in the district; students may have secondary diagnoses of autism, physical disabilities, cerebral palsy, traumatic brain injury, behavioral disorders, speech delay, etc.

Atlanta Alliance on Developmental Disabilities (AADD)

Attn: Dan Evatt

1440 Dutch Valley Place, Suite 200

Atlanta, Georgia 30324-5371

404-881-9777 Ext. 216

dan@aadd.orgwww.aadd.org**Disabilities Served:** Developmental**Focus:** Co-sponsors sports and Special Olympics, social activities**Ages:** 8 years up**Other:** Helps individuals find therapeutic recreation

**Atlanta Gymnastics Center
Special Needs Gymnastics Program**

2617-B Talley Street

Decatur, Georgia 30030

404-687-9911

atlvargym@aol.comwww.atlantagymnasticscenter.com**Disabilities Served:** Autism spectrum and epilepsy**Focus:** Therapeutic gymnastics
Gymnastics for Autism Achievement Program (GAAP)Keeping our Epileptic Youth Strong (KEYS)
Special Needs Gymnastics Program**Ages:** Preschool, school age

Atlanta Speech School

3160 Northside Parkway NW

Atlanta, Georgia 30327

404-233-5332 Voice or TDD

www.atlantaspeechschool.org**Disabilities Served:** Oral deaf/hard-of-hearing, typically developing children who may need “special considerations”, learning differences**Focus:** Skill development – communication, speech, language, fine/gross motor skills, study skills, academic skills**Ages:** Pre-K – 6th grades, depending on camp**Other:** *Katherine Hamm Center* (Camp Chatterbox) –deaf and hard of hearing
Wardlaw School –language base learning disabilities, *Stepping Stones* – speech or language difficulties, Anne & Jim Kenan Preschool – mainstream program

Aurora Strategies, Inc.
3776 LaVista Road, Suite 200
Tucker, Georgia 30084
404-377-8882
contact@aurorastrategies.com
www.aurorastrategies.com

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, developmental delays, attention deficit disabilities, language processing
Focus: Academic skills, language enrichment social skills development
Ages Served: Elementary school - adult

BEATS
Bethany's Equine & Aquatic Therapy Services, Inc.
75 Redgate Terrace (barn address)
Canton, Georgia 30115
678-494-6616
Bethany@beats-inc.org
www.beats-inc.org

Disabilities Served: Including, but not limited to, developmental delay, cerebral palsy, brain injury, spinal cord injury, multiple sclerosis, spina bifida, coordination disorders, muscular dystrophy, Down Syndrome, sensory disorders
Focus: Hippotherapy
Ages: Children and adults
Other: NARHA registered instructors

The Bedford School
Squirrel Hollow Day Camp
5665 Milam Road
Fairburn, Georgia 30213-2851
770-774-8001
jjames@thebedfordschool.org
www.thebedfordschool.org

Disabilities Served: Learning Disabilities
Focus: Remedial academics and Recreation
Ages: 6 – 16 years

Beyond Words Center
Karen Adler, Office, Business Manager
Jeffrey Jones, PH.D.
1762 Century Blvd., Suite B
Atlanta, Georgia 30345
404-633-0250
admin@beyondwordscenter.com
www.beyondwordscenter.com

Disabilities Served: Individuals struggling with the development of social skills and peer relations
Focus: Awareness of basic verbal and nonverbal social skills
Ages: 4 years – adolescence
Other: Satellite office in Roswell

BlazeSports America
Blaze Camp
Marybeth Jones, TR
280 Interstate North Circle, Suite 450
Atlanta, Georgia 30339
770-850-1156
mjones@blazesports.org
www.blazesports.com

Disability Served: Physical, including but not limited to, cerebral palsy, visual impairments, amputation, spina bifida, spinal cord injury, muscular dystrophy, etc.
Focus: Recreation and sports
Ages: 8 – 18 years
Other: Find similar programs throughout the state of Georgia

Brain Injury Association of Georgia

Camp Hardgrove

1441 Clifton Road, NE, #114-A

Atlanta, Georgia 30322

404-712-5504

info@braininjurygeorgia.orgwww.braininjurygeorgia.org**Disabilities Served:** Brain injury**Focus:** Recreation and respite;
information**Ages:** Children & young adult survivors of
traumatic brain injury and immediate their
caregivers**Other:** Scholarships available**Location:** Camp Twin Lakes

Butterfly Dreams Farm Therapeutic Riding Program

Tracy Mosher

PO Box 864

Farmington, Georgia

706-310-1600

tracy@butterflydreamsfarm.orgwww.butterflydreamsfarm.org**Disabilities Served:** Developmental,
physical, emotional, and neurological**Focus:** Therapeutic recreation**Ages:****Other:** NARHA Center

Caglewood

5182 Glen Forrest Drive

Flowery Branch, Georgia 30542

678-405-9000

info@caglewood.orgwww.caglewood.org**Disabilities Served:** Developmentally
delayed, autism, cerebral palsy, Down
syndrome, others**Focus:** Recreation, day and overnight
hiking, social events**Ages:** Children and adults

Calvin Center

Attn: Gretchen Ahrens

13550 Woolsey Road

Hampton, Georgia 30228

770-946-4276 Ext. 222 or 404-583-4591

Gretchen@calvincenter.orgwww.calvincenter.org**Disabilities Served:** Cognitive or
emotional disabilities, mobility and
physical impairments**Focus:** Therapeutic riding , recreational riding,
and hippotherapy*Reach Out* is a program for 3rd – 8th grade
students with developmental and physical
disabilities

Camp Academia

1507 Vernon Road

LaGrange, Georgia 30240

706-884-4492

info@campacademia.comwww.campacademia.com**Disabilities Served:** Learning disabilities,
language processing, autism spectrum,
attention deficit disorders**Focus:** Academics and recreation**Ages:** 6 – 12 years**Other:** Also in Roopville, Georgia

Camp ASCCA Easter Seals

Attn: Matt Rickman

P. O. Box 21

Jackson's Gap, Alabama 36861

256-825-9226

1-800-843-2267

matt@campascca.orgwww.campascca.org**Disabilities Served:** Developmental
delays and physical disabilities,
head injured**Focus:** Recreation – year-round
camps, weekends, family events**Ages:** 8 – 80 years**Other:** Easter Seals Camps are in 22 states
www.easterseals.com click on site map

Camp Big Heart

Attn: Shannon Langford
150 Thrasher Road
Covington, Georgia 30016
678-294-1916
campbigheart@bellsouth.net

Disabilities Served: Mild to moderate mental challenges
Focus: Recreation and social skills
Ages: 7 years up
Location: Will-A-Way Group Camp at Ft. Yargo, Winder
Limited Scholarships

Camp Dream by the Georgia Jaycees

Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute for Rehabilitation
6135 Roosevelt Highway
Warm Springs, Georgia 31830
706-655-5000
www.roosevelt rehab.org
www.jayceescampdream.org

Disabilities Served: Physical
Focus: Barrier free recreation
Ages: All ages
Other: Camp Dream Foundation
4355 Cobb Parkway Suite J117
Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Camp Indian Springs

Tallahassee YMCA
Deaf Week Director
2387 Bloxham Cut-off Road
Crawfordville, Florida 32327
850-926-3361
www.campindiansprings.com

Disabilities Served: Deaf, hard of hearing
Focus: Recreation
Ages: Grades 3 - 10
Other: Limited Camperships

Camp Ke-a-Later

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
5455 Meridian Mark Road, Suite 400
Atlanta, Georgia 30342
404-785-3240
Laurie.thomas@choa.org

Disabilities Served: Kids with Thalassemia
Focus: Recreation
Ages: Family camp ; no age range

Camp Kudzu

577 Concord Road, Suite B
Smyrna, Georgia 30082
404-250-1811
info@campkudzu.org
www.campkudzu.org

Disability Served: Diabetes
Focus: Recreation and diabetes education
Ages: 8 – 16 years
Location: Camp Twin Lakes
Other: Spring and fall family camps

Camp Lee Mar

Ariel Segal, MSW, LSW
805 Redgate Road
Dresher, Pennsylvania 19025
215-658-1708
Gtour400@aol.com

Disabilities Served: Mild to moderate developmental challenges
Focus: Traditional camp activities plus academics, speech and language therapy, music and art therapy, daily living skills, computers and much more

Ages: 5 – 18 years

Summer Address: 450 Route 590
Lackawaxen, Pennsylvania 18435
570-685-7590

Other: For Metro Atlanta activities and
respite contact
Paula Rosenbaum, RN 404-457-9952

Camp Promise Residential Development Seminar

James Dawson, Camp Director

Twin Cedars Youth Services

PO Box 1526

LaGrange, Georgia 30241

706-884-1717

jdawson@twincedars.org

www.twincedars.org

Disabilities Served: Adopted children
who have been in the custody of a state
agency and are receiving adoption
assistance

Focus: Recreation emphasizing
independence, responsibility, and
promoting a peer based
support system by exploring interpersonal
skills and greater acceptance of their
adoption,

Ages: 9 – 17 years

Camp Sertoma

1105 Camp Sertoma Drive

Westfield, North Carolina 27053

Michael Hoffman

910-409-8986

Michael_d_hoffman@juno.com

www.campsertoma.org

Disabilities Served: Deaf, hearing
impaired, and their siblings

Focus: Recreation

Ages: 8 – 16 years

Other: Residential, coed
Scholarships

Camp Shocco for the Deaf

216 North Street East

P. O. Box 602

Talladega, Alabama 35161

256-362-8052 V/TTY

Rvmilford23@charter.net – Rev. Ricky Milford

cmcga@aidb.state.al.us – Rev. Chris McGaha

www.campshocco.org

Disabilities Served: Deaf, hearing
impaired

Focus: Recreation

Ages: 9 - 18 years

Location: Shocco Springs Baptist
Conference Center

Other: Residential, coed

Camp STARS

(Sharing Together as Real Support)

Hospice Atlanta

1244 Park Vista Drive

Atlanta, Georgia 30319

404-869-3086

Barbara_moore@vnhs.org

<http://www.vnhs.org/html/Bereavement.html>

Disability Served: Grieving children

Focus: Counseling

Ages: 7 – 17 years

Other: Residential, coed, not only for
Hospice Atlanta patient families

Location: Camp Twin Lakes Rutledge

Other: Registration fee only

Camp Sunshine

1850 Clairmont Road
Decatur, Georgia 30033-3405
404-325-7979
sally@mycampsunshine.com
www.mycampsunshine.com

Disability Served: Children with cancer
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 7 – 18 years
Other: Residential, coed, year-round activities, sibling's camp and family weekends
Location: Camp Twin Lakes in Rutledge

Camp Twin Lakes camping facilities

Administrative Offices
600 Means Street Suite 110
Atlanta, Georgia 30318
404-231-9887
contact@camptwinlakes.org
www.camptwinlakes.org

Disabilities Served: Chronic illnesses and disabilities
Focus: Each host has specific focus
Ages: Determined by host organization
Locations: Camp Twin Lakes in Rutledge and Will-A-Way in Fort Yargo State Park in Winder, Georgia

Atlanta Area School for the Deaf – hearing impairments www.aasdweb.com 404-296-7101

Camp Braveheart – heart defects & heart transplants www.choa.org/campbraveheart 404-785-6735
or 800-542-2233

Camp Breathe Easy – asthma www.campbreatheeasy.org 770-434-5864 ext. 224

Camp ESP – developmental disabilities www.extraspecialpeople.com 706-769-9333

Camp Hardgrove - brain injuries www.brainjurygeorgia.org/camp.htm 404-712-5504

Camp High Five – HIV www.camphighfive.org 404-616-9809

Camp Horizon - neglected, abused www.camphorizon.net/ 770-390-4469)

Camp Independence - www.kidneyga.org/services/campind.htm 770-452-1539 ext. 20

Camp Joint Venture – rheumatoid arthritis www.mcghealth.org/Childrens_Medical_Center click on “Community Programs” 706-721-4392)

Camp Ke-a-Later – kids with Thalassaemia – laurie.thomas@choa.org 404-785-3240

Camp Kudzu – diabetes www.campkudzu.org 404-250-1811

Camp New Hope – sickle cell disease www.sicklecellatlaga.org/ 404-755-1641

Camp Oasis – Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis - www.cdfa.org/chapters/georgia_georgia@ccfa.org
1-800-472-6795 404-892-0616

Camp Rainbow – cancer and rare blood disorders 706-721-5503 or www.mcghealth.org/Childrens_Medical_Center
Click on “Community Programs”

Camp Spectrum – autism – www.atl-spectrum.com claidee@aol.com

Camp STARS – bereavement www.vnhs.org/html/Bereavement.html 404-869-3086

Camp Strong Hearts - heart defects or transplants www.mcghealth.org in the orange “Go” box type
Camp Strong Hearts 706-721-4392

Camp Sunshine – cancer www.mycampsunshine.com 404-325-7979

Camp TBI – kidney disorders and transplants www.wrh.org type in Camp TBI in search box 706-533-8076

Camp Walk 'N Roll – muscular dystrophy email @ atlantaservices@mdausa.org 770-621-9800

Camp Wannaklot – hemophilia www.hog.org (770) 518-8272

Camp Wee-Kan-Eat-It – Celiac disease www.ccdhc.org swagner@dixon-hughes.com

Center for the Visually Impaired – visual impairments www.cviga.org 404-875-9011

Craniofacial Conditions Weekend – craniofacial disorders – Lindsey@camptwinlakes.org 404-231-9887 x 223

Epilepsy Family Weekend – jhwaddell@bellsouth.net 404-982-0616

FOCUS Under the Stars – Families of Children Under Stress www.focus-ga.org 770-234-91111

Fugees Family – refugee children www.fugeesfamily.org 678-358-0547

Kate's Club – children who have lost a parent or sibling www.katesclub.org 404-347-7619

Marcus Day Camp – autism spectrum – www.marcusinstitute.org Nathan.call@choa.org 404-785-9400

Safe Girls, Strong Girls – Camp CADI – sexually abused www.safegirlsstronggirls.org 678-313-6963

Second Chance Family Weekend – solid organ transplants www.choa.org/transplant type in Second Chance Family Weekend” in the search box 404-785-6735

Spina Bifida Camps - kids and teens with spina bifida nyleta@camptwinlakes.org 404-231-9887 x 223

Thalassemia Family Weekend - young adults and their families –lindsey@camptwinlakes.org 404-231-9887 x 223

Toni’s Camp – developmental disabilities www.archatl.com/offices/disabilities/ 404-888-7809

Camp Yofi at Ramah Darom

Suite 215

6400 Powers Ferry Road, NW

Atlanta, Georgia 30339

404-531-0801

campyofi@ramahdarom.org

www.ramahdarom.org

www.campramah.org/tikvah.html#Darom

Disabilities Served: Children with autism

Focus: Jewish family camp

Ages: Families with one or more autistic children between the ages of 6 and 12 years

Other: Waiting list

Location: Clayton

Center for Psychological and Educational Assessment

Circle of Friends Group

54 South Avenue

Marietta, Georgia 30060

770-352-9952

info@atlantachildpsych.com

www.atlantachildpsych.com

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum, developmental disabilities, attention deficit hyperactive, behavioral, emotional issues

Focus: Social skills development

Ages Served: All ages with groups based on ages and skill level

Center for the Visually Impaired

SEE, Summer Enrichment Experience

STARS, Social, Therapeutic, Academic & Recreational Services

739 West Peachtree Street, NW

Atlanta, Georgia 30308

404-875-9011

info@cviga.org

www.cviga.org

Disabilities Served: Visual Impairments

Focus: **SEE** - Assist in transition from high school to work or college

Ages: Rising seniors, graduating high school seniors, current college students

Focus: **STARS** – Year-round activities to promote recreation, education,

daily living skills; summer enrichment is four weeks; some programs and resources are provided with the assistance of DeKalb County Parks and Recreation, City of Atlanta Parks and Recreation, and other agencies.

Other: Overnight camp at Camp Twin Lakes

Challenged Child and Friends, Inc.

Attn: Toni Smith, Program Director

2360 Murphy Boulevard

Gainesville, Georgia 30504

770-535-8372 ext. 104

info@challengedchild.org

www.challengedchild.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental delays and physical disabilities

Focus: Early Intervention, Respite

Ages: 6 weeks – 6 years

Other: Physical, occupational, and speech/language evaluation and therapies, training, referral

Chastain Horse Park, Ltd.

4371 Powers Ferry Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30327
404-252-4244

www.chastainhorsepark.org

Disabilities Served: Including, but not limited to, physical, developmental, sensory, depression stroke, autism, cerebral palsy, more

Focus: Therapeutic riding, Hippotherapy, Equine-facilitated Psychotherapy

Ages: 2 – adult

Other: NARHA Premier Accredited Center

Children's Center for Digestive Healthcare

Camp Wee-Kan-Eat-It

993-D Johnson Ferry Road, Suite 440

Atlanta, Georgia 30342

swagner@dixon-hughes.com

www.ccdhc.org

Camp forms will be posted at www.camptwinlakes.org

Disabilities Served: Celiac disease
(*not on a gluten free diet for other disorders*)

Focus: Healthy eating and recreation

Ages: 8 – 17 years by September 1st

Children's Harbor, Inc.

1 Our Children's Highway

Children's Harbor, Alabama 35010-8620

334-857-2133

www.childrensharbor.com

Disabilities Served: Chronic illnesses

Focus: Recreation and respite

Ages: Children and adults

Other: Facility used by agencies that sponsor special needs camps

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Aquatic Therapy Program

Robert D. Fowler YMCA in Gwinnett County

404-785-3750 (Children's @ Scottish Rite)

Dunwoody YMCA in DeKalb County

404-785-8180 (Children's @ North Druid Hills)

Seadventures Aquatic Center in Roswell

404-785-8470 (Children's @ Alpharetta Highway)

Robert Fowler YMCA

404-785-8458 (Children's @ Satellite Blvd.)

www.choa.org/default.aspx?id=1010

Disabilities Served: With referral from primary care physician for occupational, physical and speech therapy

Focus: Therapy

Other: Private insurance or Medicaid may cover costs

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta @ Camp Twin Lakes**Camp Braveheart**

Cardiac Call Center

404-785-6735

1-800-542-2233

campbraveheart@choa.org

www.choa.org/default.aspx?id=3787

Disabilities Served: Children and adolescents with congenital and acquired heart defects

Focus: Recreation

Ages: 7 – 18 years

Second Chance Family Weekend

404-785-6735

campbraveheart@choa.org

www.choa.org/default.aspx?id=6799

Disabilities Served: All transplant recipients, candidates and their families

Disabilities Served: Organ transplant recipients

Other: Only patients of Children's Healthcare

Children's Special Services, LLC

7501 Auden Trail
Atlanta, Georgia 30350
770-394-9791
770-394-7803 Fax
www.childrens-services.com

Disabilities Served: ADD, ADHD, developmental, cognitive, sensory disabilities, autism spectrum, emotional behavioral disorder, Down's syndrome, neurological disorders, social skills deficits, handwriting needs
Focus: Occupational therapy, social skills groups, and sensory integration, summer camps for handwriting skills
Ages: 3 – 15

Christian Record Services and Camp National Camps for the Blind

4444 South 52nd Street
Lincoln, NE 68516-1302
402-488-0981
info@christianrecord.org
www.christianrecord.org

Disabilities Served: Blind, low vision
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 9 – 65 years, depending on camp
Other: Residential, coed, summer and winter activities – 24 camps across US and Canada
Free with a processing fee of \$35

Circus Arts Institute

Circus Arts Therapy
Carrie Heller, MSW
206 Rogers Street, NE, Suite 214
Atlanta, Georgia 30317
404-549-3000
Carrie@CircusArtsInstitute.com
www.CircusArtsInstitute.com

Disabilities Served: Attention deficit, behavioral and emotional issues, physical disabilities
Focus: Experiential therapy
Ages: 4 years up through adults
Other: Designed to increase focus, self-discipline and self-respect, social skills, motor skills, more

City of Alpharetta

Camp Happy Hearts
175 Roswell Street
Alpharetta, Georgia 30009
678-297-6154
fgarth@alpharetta.ga.us - Farrell Garth, Program Coordinator
www.alpharetta.ga.us type in "Camp Happy Hearts" in the search box

Disabilities Served: Developmental
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 7 – 15 years
Other: Day, coed, interview required
Interviews scheduled in February

City of Atlanta

Camp Best Friends
Janette Carter or Gordon McGruder, Therapeutic Recreation
326 Moreland Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia 30307
404-658-6381
jncarter@atlantaga.gov Janette Carter
grmcgruder@atlantaga.gov Gordon McGruder
www.atlantaga.gov/government/parks/burrec_therapeutics.aspx

Disabilities Served: Mild to moderate developmental and physical disabilities
Focus: Recreation and social skills
Ages: 6 – 21 years
Other: Day, coed

City of Roswell

Mary Rummell, Therapeutic Recreation
830 Grimes Bridge Road
Roswell, Georgia 30075-4617
770-641-3950
mrummell@roswellgov.com
www.roswellgov.com

Disabilities Served: Developmental and physical disabilities
Focus: Social events, art, tennis, and table tennis for young adults
Ages: Young adults 18 years and up
Other: Grimes Bridge Park is a wheelchair accessible park

Clay White, LLC

PO Box 567042
Atlanta, Georgia 31156
770-393-3939
j.clay.white@gmail.com
www.claywhite.us

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, autism spectrum, dyslexia, sensory
Focus: Activity-based and sensory-driven therapeutic programs supplementing occupational/physical therapies already received
Ages: 5 – 17 years depending on program

Clayton County Parks and Recreation

Shawna Nelms, Therapeutics Division
675 Forest Parkway
Forest Park, Georgia 30297
770-473-5722
www.co.clayton.ga.us/parks_and_recreation/therapeutic.htm

Disabilities Served: Developmental delays, orthopedic disabilities
Focus: Recreation, leisure skills, Special Olympics, social skills
Ages: School age up

Clemson Outdoor Lab

263 Lehotsky Hall
Clemson, South Carolina 29634-0735
864-646-7502
Cuolcamps-1@clemson.edu
www.clemson.edu/outdoorlab/camps.html

Disabilities Served:
Camp Lion's Den – visual impairments
Camp Hope – developmental delays
Camp Sunshine – severe and profound
Camp Sertoma – speech/hearing impairments
Focus: Recreation, respite
Ages: 7 years up, depending on camp
Other: Residential, coed

**Cobb County Parks, Recreation
And Cultural Affairs Department**

Therapeutic Recreation Services
Clintina Mitchell, Therapeutic Recreation
770-819-3223
Clintina.Mitchell@cobbcounty.org
Ann Bonds, Special Olympics
770-819-3262
Ann.bonds@cobbcounty.org
555 Nickajack Road
Mableton, Georgia 30126
770-819-3215
www.prca.cobbcountyga.gov/SummerCamps.htm

Disabilities Served: Developmental and physical disabilities
Focus: Recreation, social skills, Special Olympics
Ages: 7 – 21 years (camp), and adults
Other: Camp Horizon is a day camp with before and after care available, social clubs and special events are ongoing with groups divided by ability levels
Camp Horizon locations: Fuller's Recreation Center, Ward Recreation Center, Fair Oaks Recreation Center, Shaw Park North, East Cobb Community Center, Ron Anderson Recreation Center

Collinswood of Aldersgate Homes

4105 Briarcliff Road, Suite 46

Atlanta, Georgia 30345

404-327-9491

404-327-9097 - fax

aldhomes@bellsouth.net

http://www.gb-gm-umc.org/aldersgatehomesinc/collinswood_new.htm

Disabilities Served: Developmental and physical disabilities

Focus: Accessible recreational facility for families and groups

Location: Lake Oconee, off I-20 East

Other: Available for day and overnight use

Color Me Music School

Attn: Ola Kate Morgan

226 Fayetteville Road

Decatur, Georgia 30030-4910

404-377-0083

Disabilities Served: All

Focus: Music enhancing academics and social skills

Ages: 5 – 22 years

The Cottage School

Attn: Dawn Ferrigno

700 Grimes Bridge Road

Roswell, Georgia 30075

770-641-8688

dawnf@cottageschool.org

www.cottageschool.org

Disabilities Served: Mild Learning difficulties/differences, attention deficit, individuals needing extra structure and support, social skills

Focus: Social skills, academic enrichment, and life skills

Ages: 3 – 21 years depending on program

Other: Project Work, Science Camp, Basketball Camp, Reading Camp, Art Camp, High School and Middle School Summer School

Coweta Organization for Riding**Rehabilitation and Learning – CORRAL**

52 Oliver Potts Road

Newnan, Georgia 30263

770-254-0840

mpcorral@earthlink.net

www.corraltrc.org

Disabilities Served: Physical and developmental disabilities

Focus: Therapeutic recreation

Ages: 4 years and up

Other: Medical evaluation and staff evaluation required

Provides free services to Coweta County School System Special Education classes
NARHA registered instructors

Craniofacial Conditions – Camp Courage

CHOA – Children’s Craniofacial Center

1001 Johnson Ferry Road

Atlanta, Georgia 30677

Mandy.rosenberg@choa.org 404-785-5648

www.choa.org/campcourage

Disabilities Served: Craniofacial disorders

Focus: Recreation, support

Ages: 7 – 14 years

Other: Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta at Camp Twin Lakes

Creative Community Services

4487 Park Drive, Suite A

Norcross, Georgia 30093

Disabilities Served: Children needing therapeutic foster care

Focus: Respite, therapeutic care

770-469-6226
info@ccsgeorgia.org
www.ccsgeorgia.org

Ages: 3 – 18 years
Other: outdoor adventure respite,
emergency respite, planned respite, interim
respite, crisis respite

Creative Therapy, Inc.
Marie Dawson
#1 McGarity Road
Canton, Georgia 30115
770-360-9183
Daws4099@bellsouth.net
www.creativetherapyinc.com

Disabilities Served: Including, but not limited to, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, spinal cord injury, impaired sensory processing
Focus: Hippotherapy- occupational therapy and physical therapy incorporating the movement of the horse
Other: Use 2 different farms in North Atlanta – both with covered arenas

Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America
386 Park Avenue South, 17th Floor
New York, New York 10016
800-932-2423
www.ccfa.org/kidsteens/camp_calendar
Georgia Chapter
2250 North Druid Hills Road, Suite 250
Atlanta, Georgia 30329
404-982-0616
georgia@ccfa.org
www.ccfa.org/chapters/georgia/

Disabilities Served: Chronic intestinal diseases
Focus: Recreation and emotional support
Ages: Ages vary by camp
Other: There are camps in 12 states. *Camp Oasis* is at Camp Twin Lakes and takes individuals ages 7 – 17 years. Campers come from Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, and Alabama.

Cumberland Academy of Georgia
Attn: Debbi K. Scarborough
650 Mt. Vernon Highway
Atlanta, Georgia 30328
404-835-9000
404-8359001 - Fax
info@cumberlandacademy.org
www.cumberlandacademy.org

Disabilities Served: Asperger's Syndrome, attention deficit disorders, underachievers
Focus: Academic enrichment, social skills
Ages: 4th – 12th grades

DeKalb County Parks and Recreation
Camp Superstars, An Inclusive camp
Attn: Bernita Reese
4770 North Peachtree Road
Dunwoody, Georgia 30338
770-671-1728
bareese@co.dekalb.ga.us
www.co.dekalb.ga.us

Disabilities Served: Mild to moderate developmental delays, physical disabilities, autism, emotional behavior disorders
Focus: Recreation and social skills
Ages: 5 – 15 years for camp
all ages for recreation

Douglas County Parks and Recreation

Tanya Jackson
2105 Mack Road
Douglasville, Georgia 30135
770-920-7129
tjackson@co.douglas.ga.us
www.celebratedouglascounty.com
Click on "Departments"
Scroll down to "Administrative Pa-Pi"
Click on "Parks and Recreation"

Disabilities Served: Physical, emotional, and developmental disabilities
Focus: Recreation, leisure experiences, Special Olympics, and Paralympics
Ages: 6 years up, depending on activity
Other: Day and evening programming, Camp DOUG Summer Day Camp, coed, county has an accessible playground at Clinton Farm Nature Preserve on Ephesus Church Road (off Post Road)

Dream House for Medically Fragile Children

2092 Scenic Highway, Suite B
Snellville, Georgia 30078
770-717-7410

Disabilities Served: Medically Fragile
Focus: Respite, family-centered home care, training, help with home modifications

Dream Quest Equine-Facilitated Psychotherapy and Therapeutic Riding

Located in Bethlehem, Georgia
Off Highway 316 in Gwinnett County
Kay Watson, Ed.S., L.P.C., N.C.C.
678-227-2991 kaywatson@dreamquestfp.com
Jackie Griswold
770-330-4295 jackiegriswold@dreamquesttr.com
www.dreamquestfp.com and www.dreamquesttr.com

Disabilities Served: Physical, emotional, behavioral, and developmental disabilities
Focus: Equine-facilitated psychotherapy and therapeutic riding
Ages: 6 + for psychotherapy and counseling (contact Kay)
4+ for therapeutic riding (contact Jackie)
Other: NARHA center and instructors

Dynamo Swim Center

3119 Shallowford Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30341
770-457-7946
info@dynamoswimclub.com
www.dynamoswimclub.com

Disabilities Served: Physical, many other disabilities
Focus: Swimming
Ages: All
Other: Private swim lessons
Locations: Atlanta and Alpharetta

Easter Seals Camps

Atlanta Administrative Office
1200 Lake Hern Drive #250
Atlanta, Georgia 30319
404-943-1070
www.easterseals.com
Scroll down to "Our Services" on left side
Click on "Camping and Recreation"
www.northgeorgia.easterseals.com
Go to search box and type in "camp"

Disabilities Served: Physical, developmental disabilities
Focus: Recreation, respite
Ages: 6 – 85 years, depending on camp
Camps are in 22 states
Other: The P.L.A.Y. Project, founded by Dr. Rick Solomon, is based on Dr. Stanley Greenspan's Floortime model, provides training for parents of children with autism; *Day Care Centers provide "camps" in their centers during the summer.*

Elaine Clark Center

Leslie White and Summer Edge
5130 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard
Chamblee, Georgia 30341
770-458-3251
lwhite@ecvc.org or sedge@ecvc.org
www.elaineclarkcenter.org

Disabilities Served: All disabilities
Focus: Recreation, social skills, therapy in an inclusive setting
Ages: 6 weeks – 12 years, preschool focus
Other: Registered nurse on-site, on-site therapy by request, adaptive aids and equipment, limited scholarships

Emory Autism Center

Toni Thomas, Program Manager Family & Adult Services
Emory University School of Medicine
1551 Shoup Court
Atlanta, Georgia 30322
404-727-8350
Tthoma2@emory.edu
www.psychiatry.emory.edu/PROGRAMS/autism

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum
Focus: Communication skills, social skills, self-care skills, leisure and play skills, reading
Ages: 3– 17 years, depending on program

Epilepsy Foundation of Georgia**Camp Lakewood****Camp Big Heart**

6065 Roswell Road #515
Atlanta, Georgia 30328-4015
404-527-7155
800-527-7105 Toll Free
Contact: Lloyd Brown
Lloyd@epilepsyga.org
www.epilepsyga.org

Disabilities Served: Epilepsy, seizure disorders
Focus: Recreation and socializing
Ages: Camp Lakewood: 8 – 18 years
Camp Big Heart: 8 – 21 years & 21+ years
Locations:
Camp Lakewood is near Chattanooga
Camp Big Heart is at Wil-A-Way,
Ft. Yargo State Park,
www.gastateparks.org/info/ftyargo
Limited camperships

Excellence in Therapy, Inc.

Aquatic Therapy Program
Attn: Pam Davidson, PT
345 Ridge Court
Roswell, Georgia 30076-2620
(770) 641-9239
pdpt@charter.net

Disabilities Served: All disabilities
Focus: Physical and occupational therapy programs: aquatic therapy, adaptive aquatics, swim lessons for “challenges kids”, land/clinic based therapy (MFR, CST, NDT), dolphin serenity program consultation: lactation/feeding, adaptive equipment, advocacy
Ages: 0 – Adult

Extra Special People

189 VFW Drive
PO Box 615
Watkinsville, Georgia 30677
706-769-9333 (camp)
706-850-0325 (non-seasonal)
extraspecialpeople@yahoo.com

Disabilities Served: Developmental disabilities, autism spectrum, emotional behavior disorders, Down syndrome, fragile-X, attention deficit hyperactive disorder, learning disabilities
Focus: Recreation and social skills
Ages: 4 – 30 years

Other: 6 weeks of day camp, 1 week of residential camp

Location: Serves Northeast Georgia

Residential camp is at Camp Twin Lakes

F.A.C.E.S. Summer Camp

For Kids on the Autism Spectrum

Teresa Johnson

770-207-6346

TJohnson50@aol.com

www.georgiafaces.info/

Tami Burt, Camp Director

tadburt@alltel.net

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum

Focus: Structured recreation and instructional activities

Ages: 4 – 22 years

Location: Monroe in Walton County Faith Baptist Church, 1789 Highway 11

Applications are on web site

Registration opens March 1

Family Private Care, LLC

Tony R. Plummer

6065 Lake Forrest Drive, Suite 170

Sandy Springs, Georgia 30328

(404) 252-9005

tplummer@fpcga.com

www.PeopleCaring4Kids.com

Disabilities Served: All disabilities

Focus: Respite

private care referral services, child care, companion care, nursing care

Ages: All

Firefly Studio

1026-C Atlanta Avenue

Decatur, Georgia 30030

404-593-3489

fireflystudiodecatur@gmail.com

www.fireflystudiodecatur.com

Disabilities Served: Developmentally delayed, language delayed, learning differences

Focus: Developmental classes include Baby Sign, yoga, art, handwriting, Musikgarten

Ages: Newborn – 10 years and up

The 504 School

458 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE

Atlanta, Georgia 30308

404-551-2574

The504school@aol.com

www.504school.org

Disabilities Served: Attention deficit hyperactive disorders

Focus: Social skills, gross and fine motor development, self-regulation, self-esteem, academics in a camp setting

Ages: 5 – 11 years

Florida Camp for Children and Youth with Diabetes - FCCYD

P. O. Box 14136

Gainesville, Florida 32604

352-334-1321

fccyd@floridiabetescamp.org

www.floridiabetescamp.org

Disabilities Served: Children with diabetes

Focus: Recreation and diabetes education

Ages: School age, K – 12th grades

Other: Residential, coed, family weekends, Bring-A-Friend weekends

FOCUS**Extraordinary Families, Kool Kidz**

Camp Hollywood Day Camp

Camp Infinity overnight camp for teens & young adults

Extra Special Saturday Respite

3825 Presidential Parkway, Suite 103

Atlanta, Georgia 30340

770-234-9111

inquiry@focus-ga.orgwww.focus-ga.org**Disabilities Served:** All physical and cognitive disabilities**Focus:** Inclusive fun**Ages:** Varies per program**Other:** Parent Support and Information, adaptive swim team, teen and young adult group, family activities**Foundation for Dreams, Inc.****Dream Oaks Camp**

3938 State Road 64 East

Bradenton, Florida 34208

941-748-8809

info@foundationfordreams.orgwww.foundationfordreams.org**Disabilities Served:** Physical and developmental disabilities, chronic illnesses**Focus:** Education and recreation**Ages:** 7 – 17 years**The Frazer Center**

Attn: Courtney Thomas

1815 Ponce de Leon Avenue, NE

Atlanta, Georgia 30307

404-377-3836

cthomas@thefrazercenter.orgwww.thefrazercenter.org**Disabilities Served:** All disabilities**Focus:** Recreation and social skills**Ages:** 5 – 9 years**Other:** Adult day services are available for individuals 18 up**Frontier Travel Camp, Inc.**

8101 Biscayne Blvd. Suite 512

Miami Shores, Florida 33138

305-895-1123

info@frontiertravelcamp.comwww.frontiertravelcamp.com**Disabilities Served:** High functioning special needs teens and young adults, including autism, Down's Syndrome, ADHD,**Focus:** Travel**Ages:** 15 – 35 years**Full Radius Dance**

Douglas Scott

PO Box 54453

Atlanta, Georgia 30308

404-724-9663

fullradiusdance@aol.comwww.fullradiusdance.org**Disabilities Served:** Physical and developmental disabilities**Focus:** Providing high quality dance and movement classes to individuals of all abilities**Other:** Will partner with organizations; past partnerships include the Center for Visually Impaired

Fulton County
141 Pryor Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30305
404-730-4000
www.co.fulton.ga.us

Provides facilities for programs sponsored and staffed by special needs organizations

Gables Academy
Attn: Dr. James D. Meffen, III
811 Gordon Street
Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083
770-465-7500
770-465-7700 – Fax
info@gablesacademy.com
www.gablesacademy.com

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, Asperger’s, underachievers, attention deficit disorder with and without hyperactivity
Focus: Academic enrichment, social skills, recreation
Ages: 9 years – high school

Georgia Art Therapy Association
Diane Gregory
www.georgiaarttherapy.org

A non-profit organization with a listing of members who provide therapeutic services

Georgia Association for Play Therapy
Trudy Post Sprunk
C/O Tucker Center for Personal Growth
4893 Lavista Road
Tucker, Georgia 30084
404-491-7423
trudypostsprunk@charter.net
www.gapt.org

A non-profit organization with a listing of members who provide therapeutic services

Georgia Association of the Deaf-Blind (GADB)
3037 Millstone Court
Austell, Georgia 30106
770-270-1537 TTY
FrankLevine@atlantabraillerrepair.com
www.aadb.org
Click on “Resources” – right top
At “Deaf-Blind Organizations” box pull down “Georgia”

Disabilities: Deaf-Blind
Focus: Camp, social activities
Facebook for deaf-blind youth

Georgia Baptist Children’s Homes And Family Ministries, Inc.
Camp Hawkins
Matthew’s Time (Respite Weekends)
9250 Hutcheson Ferry Road
Palmetto, Georgia 30268
770-463-3344 Ext.113
camphawkins@gbchfm.org
www.gbchfm.org
Click on “Services”

Disabilities Served: Camp Hawkins - developmental disabilities, Down syndrome, brain injuries, attention deficit, cerebral palsy, autism
Mathew’s Time – Severe disabilities
Focus: Camp Hawkins - Recreation and socializing
Matthew’s Time – Respite Weekends
Ages: 8 – 21 years for camp
Location: Camp is in Mt. Airy, Georgia

Other: Limited Scholarships
Does not accept those whose primary disability is emotional behavioral

Georgia Celiac Foundation

Camp Wee-Kan-Eat-It
The Children's Center for Digestive Health Care
993-D Johnson Ferry Road, #440
Atlanta, Georgia 30342
404-257-0799
celiacgroup@ccdhc.org
www.gaceliac.org

Disabilities Served: Individuals with celiac disease (*not on a gluten free diet for other disorders*)
Limited scholarships
Ages: Family Camp

Location: Camp Twin Lakes

Georgia Community Support and Solutions

Family Support and Respite
Attn: Denise Urgent
1945 Cliff Valley Way, Suite 220
Atlanta, Georgia 30329
404-634-4222 Ext. 279
www.gacommunity.com

Disabilities Served: Developmental disabilities
Focus: Recreation, respite, day programs
Ages: 3 years up (depends on program)
Respite can be in-home, host home, or facility based
Locations: RRA Respite Home (Roswell)
Richard's Respite Home (Carrollton)
Haven House (Conyers)
Respite N Gwinnett (Lawrenceville)
Marietta Enrichment Center Summer Camp
For ages 12 – 18 years
Other: Sliding scale fee

Georgia Council for the Hearing Impaired

Camp Julienna
4151 Memorial Drive, Suite 103-B
Decatur, Georgia 30032
404-292-5312 Voice/TTY
800-541-0710 Voice/TTY toll free
www.gachi.org

Disabilities Served: Deaf, hard of hearing
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 6 – 12 years & 13 – 17 years
Other: Coed, residential, some financial assistance available
Locations: Teen Camp is at Camp Lookout in Rising Fawn, Georgia and Youth Camp is at Camp Viola, near LaGrange, Georgia

Georgia Firefighters Burn Foundation

Camp OO-U-LA – Camp Cool
Dana Dillard, LCSW, Programs Director
2575 Chantilly Drive, NE
Atlanta, Georgia 30324
404-320-6223
dDillard@gfbf.org
www.gfbf.org

Disabilities Served: Burn Injured
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 7 – 17 years
Other: Residential, coed, No fee
Location: May change from year to year

Georgia Lion's Camp for the Blind, Inc.

5626 Laura Walker Road
Waycross, Georgia 31503
912-283-4320
888-297-1775 – Georgia toll free
glcblindsec@accessatc.net
www.glcb.org

Disabilities Served: Blind, low vision**Focus:** Recreation**Ages:** 4* – 17 years, adults 18+**Other:** Residential, coed, family camp

* Adults accompany 4 & 5 year olds

Siblings or adult may accompany

4 – 9 year olds

Limited Scholarships

Georgia Special Sportsmen, Inc.

PO Box 219
Hampton, Georgia 30228-0219
770-228-8877
info@gaspecialsportsmen.org
www.gaspecialsportsmen.org

Disabilities Served: Physical**Focus:** Hunting, fishing and Christianity with their parents**Ages:** 13 – 19 years**Other:** Welcome friends who are not disabled who may not have hunted or fished and friends from single parent homes

Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association

1-800-226-GSHA
www.gsha.org

Professional Organization

Listing of professional who provide speech and language services

Grayson Athletic Association

Special Populations Program
Joel Bagley, Director
Cathy Smith, Assistant Director – cismith2006@bellsouth.net
PO Box 206
Grayson, Georgia 30017
770-884-1955
specialpop@gaasports.org
www.gaaspecialneeds.com

Disabilities Served: Physical, developmental, and multiple disabilities**Focus:** Sports recreation**Ages:** 5 years - adults**Other:** Baseball, basketball, cheerleading**Location:** Unity Place at Bay Creek Park
175 Ozora Road, Loganville, Georgia

Great Prospects

Debbie Currere, Executive Director
142 Teal Court
Roswell, Georgia 30076
770-722-6250
Debbie@greatprospectsinc.org
www.greatprospectsinc.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental disabilities**Focus:** Educational programs, social and recreational activities**Ages:** Middle school through postsecondary**Other:** *Club Connect* (after school and summer programs for middle and high school students); *Core Connections* (day enrichment for those working part-time or waiting for waiver services); *Career Connections Academy* (postsecondary program)

Greater Atlanta Speech and Language Clinics

3725 Lawrenceville Suwanee Road #B-3

Suwanee, Georgia 30024

770-831-2313

1000 Johnson Ferry Road Suite B200

Marietta, Georgia 30068

770-977-9457

Gaslc2@aol.com

www.greateratlantaspeech.com

Disabilities Served: Speech, language disorders, individuals needing occupational therapy, physical therapy

Focus: Therapeutic recreation, Hippotherapy, social skills groups

Ages: All

Other: Horse Talk offers Hippotherapy with therapists trained by the American Hippotherapy Association (AHA)

The Guided Tour, Inc.

7900 Old York Road, Suite 111-B

Elkins Park, Pennsylvania 19027-2310

1-800-783-5841

Gtour400@aol.com

www.guidedtour.com

Disabilities Served: Physical and cognitive challenges

Focus: Recreation, socialization through travel

Ages: 17 years up

Gwinnett Parks and Recreation Center**Unity Place at Bay Creek Park**

An Accessible Playground and Sports Facility

175 Ozora Road

Loganville, Georgia 30052

770-822-5414

www.gwinnettparks.com

Disabilities Served: All

Focus: Accessible ball field and playground for children with special needs, wheelchair accessible sandboxes, slides, swings, rubberized ball field and wheelchair and walker accessible dugouts

Other: Inclusive programming

Happy Club @ Cowart Family/Ashford Dunwoody YMCA

3692 Ashford-Dunwoody Road

Atlanta, Georgia 30319

404-687-2521 - Julia Versteegh

Happy Club @ Decatur-DeKalb YMCA

1100 Clairmont Avenue

Decatur, Georgia 30030

404-371-3309 – Janice Mathews

Happy Club – Gwinnett-Buford/Hoschton Area

Publix parking lot at I-85 and Hamilton Mill Road

770-831-9388 - Lisa and Bruce Downs

Happy Club @ Gwinnett-Lilburn Area

Harmony Grove United Methodist Church

50 Harmony Grove Road

Lilburn, Georgia 30047

678-575-3073 – Warren Tuttle

www.ymcaatlanta.org (click on “programs”, scroll down to “special populations”)

Disabilities Served: Mild developmental delays

Focus: Social, community skills

Ages: 16 years up

Other: See YMCA

Happy Club is a social activities program for teens and adults with developmental disabilities.

Activities are approximately twice a month, mostly on Saturdays

Heart of Hope Academy

Inclusion Camp at High Meadows
After School Enrichment Program
Shon Jackson, Director of Administration
P. O. Box 421007
Atlanta, Georgia 30342
404-816-3967
info@heartofhopeacademy.org
www.heartofhopeacademy.org

Disabilities Served: Autism and developmental delays

Focus: Inclusion, social and life skills, therapeutic recreation

Ages: 6–22 years for school
6–18 years for camp

Heartbeats and Hoofbeats

Erika Meganck
7460 Thomaston Road
Macon, Georgia 31220
478-757-1338
hippotherapy@hotmail.com
www.heartbeatsandhoofbeats.com

Disabilities Served: Physical, emotional, developmental disabilities, including but not limited, to autism, attention deficit, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, spinal cord injury

Focus: Therapeutic riding, equine assisted psychotherapy, and aquatic therapy

Ages: 2–21 years

Heavenly Angels Home Childcare & Respite Services

Angela D. Smith
20 Mabry Place Court
Covington, Georgia 30014
770-784-9561
pleasurehopejoy@yahoo.com

Disabilities Served: Autism, developmental disabilities delays, fetal alcohol syndrome, asthma, cerebral palsy, medically fragile

Focus: In-home childcare & respite care, hospital sitting

Ages: Newborn – 4 years

Hebron Baptist Church

Special Education Services
Attn: Jessica Butterworth
202 Hebron Church Road
PO Box 279
Dacula, Georgia 30019-0005
678-427-5833
hebronspecialneeds@gmail.com

Disability Served: All disabilities, including medically fragile

Focus: Respite

Ages: 0 - adult

Other: 2nd Saturday of each month
5 PM – 9 PM

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf-Blind Youths & Adults

Deaf-Blind Access of the South Camp
Barbara Chandler, bc4hknc@aol.com
Janice Hanvey, HKNCJanice4ab@aol.com
1003 Virginia Avenue Suite 104
Atlanta, Georgia 30354
404-766-9625 Voice
404-766-2820 TTY
www.hknc.org
www.hknc.org/LINKS_camps.htm

Disabilities Served: Deaf-Blind

Focus: Recreation, social

Ages: Teens and adults

Other: Residential, coed, weekend camp at Fort Yargo State Park, other camps listed by state on web site

Helping Hands Pediatric Therapy, Inc.

Attn: Stefanie Willard
470 South Hill Street
Buford, Georgia 30518
678-482-6100
swillard@helpinghandspediatrictherapy.com
www.helpinghandspediatrictherapy.com

Disabilities Served: Various diagnoses, early intervention
Focus: Therapeutic recreation and social skills through occupational therapy & speech/language therapy
Ages: Birth to 21

Hemophilia of Georgia

Camp Wannaklot
8800 Roswell Road, Suite 170
Atlanta, Georgia 30350-1844
770-518-8272
mail@hog.org
www.HoG.org/camp

Disabilities Served: Bleeding disorders
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 7 – 17 years

Henry County Parks and Recreation

Terry Nash, Therapeutic Recreation
10 Cleveland Street
Locust Grove, Georgia 30248
770-288-7290
www.co.henry.ga.us/ParksRecreation/Recreation/RecTherapeuticRec.htm

Disabilities Served: Physical, cognitive, behavioral, visual impairments
Focus: Recreation, socials, organized outings, arts and crafts, exercise, cooking, scrap booking
Ages: 5 years up (varies by activity)
Other: Wheelchair Sports, Special Olympics, Sunshine League Baseball, year-round activities for special needs adults
AAASP wheelchair sports for school system

The Howard School

1192 Foster Street
Atlanta, Georgia 30318
404-377-7436
info@Howardschool.org
www.howardschool.org

Disabilities Served: Language learning disabilities, learning differences, attention deficit disorder, auditory processing disorder
Focus: Academics and enrichment
Ages: Kindergarten through high school

Infinity Elite Cheerleading

115 Depot Court
Peachtree City, Georgia 30269
770-487-9999
office@infinityelite.com
www.infinityelite.com

Special Needs Team includes physical and developmental disabilities
Focus: Team-building, competition

INSPIRE – Intramural Sports that Promote Inclusion, Respect, and Excellence
At Peachtree Ridge Youth Athletic Association – **PRYAA**
Old Norcross and Satellite Road
3170 Suwanee Creek Road
Suwanee, Georgia 30024
John and Karen Brennan, Co-Directors
770-475-4753 M – F
770-242-8451 – Nights and Weekends
specrpr@aol.com
www.pryaa.com

Disabilities Served: All
Focus: Intramural sports
Ages: All
Other: Rubberized field

Integrating Pathways for Children

Debbie Jerome, OTRIL
2140 Buford Highway, Suite 208
Buford, Georgia 30518
678-482-4554
www.integratingpathways.com

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum, developmental delays, sensory processing integration disorders, coordination disorders
Focus: Recreation, social skills, academic enrichment through pediatric occupational therapy
Ages: 3 – 12 years

Jewish Family and Career Services

Developmental Disabilities Respite
Molly Levine
4549 Chamblee Dunwoody Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30338
mlevine@jfcs-atlanta.org
www.jfcs-atlanta.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental
Focus: Respite
Ages: 3 years - adult
Other: In-home respite care, host-family respite care

Johnson Ferry Baptist Church

Green Light Ministry
955 Johnson Ferry Road
Marietta, Georgia 30068
Eden Hutchins, CCLS, Children's Associate
Eden.Hutchins@jfb.org 770-794-2992
www.johnsonferry.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental and physical
Focus: Respite
Ages: K - 5
Other: Sunday bible study; Refuel is parents' night out; Interview and pre-registration required

June Jump Start

Bridge to Grace Church
2385 Holcomb Bridge Road
Roswell, Georgia 30076
770-778-3601 Wendy Dubner
770-356-3803 Brooks Peters
junejumpstart@gmail.com

Disabilities Served: Pervasive developmental delays, Asperger's syndrome, developmental disabilities. Speech/language disorders, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, sensory integration dysfunction, struggling with social skills
Focus: Therapeutic camp for young children with small ratio of staff to students
Ages: 3 – 6 years

Other: Staff includes special education teachers, occupational therapists, and music therapists

Keystone Center for Children with Autism

Summer Chill
1675-A Hembree Road
Alpharetta, Georgia 30004
404-496-4673
info@keystoneatlanta.org
www.keystoneatlanta.org

Disabilities Served: Autism Spectrum
Focus: Social skills
Ages: 2 - 12

Kidsplay Therapy Center

Attn: Judy Camp
311 Cooper Road
Loganville, Georgia 30052
678-205-5437
judy@kidsplaytherapy.com
www.kidsplaytherapy.com

Disabilities Served: All
Focus: Therapeutic recreation, social skills through occupational therapy, physical therapy, and speech/language services
Ages: 12 months – 15 years

Kiki's Kids Camp

Sponsored by Floyd Healthcare Foundation
304 Turner McCall Boulevard
Rome, Georgia 30165
706-509-3290
contactus@floyd.org
<http://www.floyd.org/foundation/kiki.htm>

Disabilities Served: Diabetes
Focus: Recreation, diabetes education
Ages: 6 – 12 years
Other: Day, coed, scholarships available

Kool Kidz Foundation, Inc.

See FOCUS

Learning on the Log

18 Spalding Trail
Atlanta, Georgia 30328
404-579-3048
armann@learningonthealog.com
www.learningonthealog.com

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum, attention deficit hyperactive, sensory processing disorders
Focus: Sensory integration, floor-time
Ages: 6 – 12 years

Lekotek

Attn: Helene Prokesch
1955 Cliff Valley Way, Suite 102
Atlanta, Georgia 30329
404-633-3430
lekotekga@mindspring.com
www.lekotekga.org

Disabilities Served: All, cognitive, sensory, physical
Focus: Recreation, academic enrichment, computer technology, inclusion
Ages: 0 – 21 years
Other: Locations in Atlanta, Alpharetta, Cobb, Duluth, and Fayetteville

Little League Challenger Division

Sam Ranck, Challenger Division Director
539 US Route 15 Highway
PO Box 3485
Williamsport, Pennsylvania 17701-0485
570-326-1921 Ext.254

challenger@littleleague.org

www.littleleague.org/Learn_More/About_Our_Organization/divisions/challenger.htm

Disabilities Served: Physical and developmental

Focus: Baseball

Ages: 5 – 18 years

Other: Boys and girls play
“Buddies” are encouraged

Southern Region is located in Warner Robins
727-344-2661

Loving Care Family Services and Respite Program, LLC

153 Castlebar Court, SE
Mableton, Georgia 30126-1766
678-574-2444

c.wright@lcfatlanta.com

www.lovingcareatlanta.com

Disabilities Served: All

Ages: All

Focus: Sitting services provided by trained professionals; summer camp emphasizing social skills, nutrition and fitness, and life skills

Other: Full and half day camps are at Mt. Bethel United Methodist Church, Marietta (ages 11 – 22 years)
Pre-registration is required

Lutheran Church of the Resurrection

Circle of Friends Disabilities Ministry
4814 Paper Mill Road
Marietta, Georgia 30067
770-953-3193

lrcym@mindspring.com – Crystal Klein

<http://www.e-lcr.org/svcmin-circlefriends.htm>

Disabilities Served: Developmental, including but not limited to autism, cerebral palsy, mild to moderate learning disabilities

Focus: Social

Ages: mostly young adults

Marcus Autism Center

Marcus Day Camp
1920 Briarcliff Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30329
404-785-9400

Nathan.call@choa.org

www.marcusinstitute.org

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum

Focus: Social and communication skills, recreation, daily living skills

Ages: 6 – 10 years

Marcus Jewish Community Center**Camp Barney Medintz****Camp Isidore Alterman - Chaverim Unit**

5342 Tilly Mill Road
Dunwoody, Georgia 30338
770-395-2552

Susan Berger, susan@campbarney.org

summer@campbarney.org

www.ciafun.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental Disabilities

Focus: Recreation

Ages: School age

Must have placement interview

Camp Barney Medintz is a residential camp in Cleveland, Georgia

Camp Isidore Alterman is a day camp at Zaban Park

McKenna Farms Therapy Services, Inc.

Jessica Moore
3044 Due West Road
Dallas, Georgia 30157
770-443-9672
mckennafarms@yahoo.com
www.mckennafarmstherapy.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental, delays, communication pathologies, and physical disabilities
Focus: Therapeutic riding, hippotherapy, aquatic therapy, natural environment
Ages: Birth – 21 years
Other: Accepts private insurance, Medicaid, and private pay
NARHA Center

Metro Atlanta Respite and Developmental Services (MARDS)

1335 Kimberly Road, SW
Atlanta, Georgia 30331
404-691-5570
info@mards.org
www.mards.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental delays, communication disabilities, mobility disabilities
Focus: Respite care and daycare summer enrichment, after school care, early childhood with on-site speech, occupational, and physical therapists
Ages: 6 weeks – 44 years, depending on program
Other: Largest facility-based day, after school, and respite provider in Metro Atlanta

Miami Children's Hospital

Bela Florentin, VACC Camp Director
Ventilation Assisted Children's Center
Division of Pediatric Pulmonology
3200 S. W. 60th Court, Suite 203
Miami, Florida 33155-4076
305-662-8222
www.vaccamp.com

Disabilities Served: Children using ventilators, oxygen to support breathing
Focus: Recreation
Ages: Children and their families
Pre-K – high school
Other: Residential or day depending on where families live, hospital is only two miles from the camp

Miracle League Association

1506 Klondike Road, Suite 105
Conyers, Georgia 30094
770-760-1933
diane@miracleleague.com
www.miracleleague.com

Disabilities Served: Physical and cognitive/developmental disabilities
Focus: Baseball recreation
Ages: School age
Other: Custom designed accessible fields
Winter bowling at Stars and Strikes
Bowling Alley in Cumming

North Metro Miracle League

2145 Jep Wheeler Road
Woodstock, Georgia 30188
John McLaughlin
john@nmml.net
770-777-7044
contact@nmml.net
www.nmml.net

Bowling and swimming as well as baseball

Music Therapy Services of Greater Atlanta, LLC

114 Bulloch Avenue
Roswell, Georgia 30075
678-277-2632
admin@mtsofga.com
www.mtsofga.com

Disabilities Served: All, inclusive**Focus:** Neurologic music therapy**Ages:** All**Locations:** Roswell, Smyrna, and Lawrenceville

**Muscular Dystrophy Association
Camp Walk 'N Roll**

2175 Northlake Parkway Suite 144
Tucker, Georgia 30384
770-621-9800
Peggy Hood- p hood@mdausa.org
atlantaservices@mdausa.org
www.mda.org

Disabilities Served: Muscular Dystrophy**Focus:** Recreation**Ages:** 6 – 17 years**Location:** Camp Twin Lakes**Other:** Over 90 camps across the USA

**National Kidney Foundation Serving Georgia
Camp Independence**

2951 Flowers Road South, Suite 211
Atlanta, Georgia 30341
770-452-1539
1-800-633-2339
tracy.jenny@kidney.org
www.kidneyga.org

Disabilities Served: Kidney disease on dialysis, kidney, heart, liver, or lung transplant**Focus:** Recreation**Ages:** 6 – 18 years**Location:** Camp Twin Lakes, Rutledge, GA**Other:** Take campers from across the southeast. Georgia campers are free and out of state campers go to their local affiliate to discuss funding

**National Railroad Passenger Corporation
Amtrak Disabled Travelers Discount**

Office of Amtrak Access – 2W
60 Massachusetts Avenue, NE
Washington, DC 20002
1-800-USA-Rail (1-800-872-7245)
1-800-523-6590 TDD/TYY
www.amtrak.com

Go to “Traveling with Amtrak”

Scroll down to “Special Needs Accessibility”

Discount available when booking reservation by telephone or at ticket counter (not online)

Must have written documentation of disabilities

North Metro Baptist Church

1026 Old Peachtree Road, NE
Lawrenceville, Georgia 30043
Special Needs Ministry
770-995-9055 ext. 237
agape@northmetro.net
www.northmetro.net

AGAPE Respite

Second Monday / 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Ages: 5 years - adult

Vacation Bible School and Sunday School Classes

Operation Purple® Camp

Camp for children of deployed military members
Specialized camp for children of wounded service members
operationpurple@nmfa.org
www.operationpurple.org

Disabilities Served: Children with emotional and psychological issues related to having family members deployed
62 camps in 37 states and territories

Pals Klub @ Klub Kids

Attn: Michelle Harvey or Deb Notarnicola
1607 Peachtree Parkway
Cumming, Georgia 30041
770-889-7452
hemalsu@yahoo.com
info@klubkids.com
www.klubkids.com

Disabilities Served: Speech/language processing, autism spectrum
Focus: Social Skills
Ages: 5 – 14 years
Other: Must be able to function in a group of 4 – 6 students

Parkaire Consultants

Camp Friendship
4939 Lower Roswell Road, C-201
Marietta, Georgia 30068
770-578-1519
gborn@parkaireconsultants.com
www.parkaireconsultants.com

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, attention deficit, Tourette's syndrome, Asperger's syndrome
Focus: Social skills development
Ages Served: rising K – 2 grades and grades 3 – rising 6th
Location: Mt. Bethel Christian Academy
Marietta, Georgia

Parkwood Farms Therapy Center, Inc.

2519 Parkwood Road
Snellville, Georgia 30039
678-344-6821
info@parkwoodfarms.org
www.parkwoodfarms.org

Disabilities Served: Autism, Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Emotional Problems, Learning Disabilities
Focus: Therapeutic recreation, occupational and physical therapies, social and language skills, hippotherapy
Ages: 8 years up
Other: Chiropractic services, nutritional counseling, yoga

Peachtree City

Accessible playground behind City Hall
151 Willowbend Road
Peachtree City, Georgia

Accessible Playground

Pediatrics Health Care for Kids

Corporate Office
5185 Peachtree Parkway, NW Suite 350
Norcross, Georgia 30092
770-840-1966
www.pediatrickids.com

Provider of pediatric day healthcare and therapy services in their centers and in-home private duty nursing
Transportation to the center includes a pediatric nurse on board the bus
Ages: Birth to age 6

Locations: Tucker and Smyrna in Metro Atlanta; others statewide

Porter Academy
Camp Extraordinaire
200 Cox Road
Roswell, Georgia 30075
770-594-1313
bramer@porteracademy.org
www.porteracademy.org

Disabilities Served: Learning differences
Focus: Academic Enrichment
Ages: Pre-K – rising 6th grade

ProMotion Fitness Center
Shepherd Center
2020 Peachtree Road, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30309-1465
404-350-7789
www.shepherdcenter.org/patcare/spec/fit.asp

Disabilities Served: All abilities
Focus: Therapeutic recreation
Ages: All
Other: well-trained staff

PSA Healthcare
310 Technology Parkway
Norcross, Georgia 30092
770-441-1480
www.psahealthcare.com

Disabilities Served: Medically Fragile
Focus: Pediatric day healthcare and in-home private duty nursing
Ages: Birth to 6th birthday
Locations: Pediatric day healthcare:
Marietta – 770-321-6600
College Park – 404-469-0131

The Reece Center for Handicapped Horsemanship
8280 Wilkerson Mill Road (no mail received here)
Palmetto, Georgia 30268
PO Box 730 (Mail)
Sharpsburg, Georgia 30277
678-423-0858
wadehwheeler@bellsouth.net

Disabilities Served: Developmental and physical disabilities
Focus: Therapeutic horse riding
Ages: 6 years up
Other: One-hour Saturday classes; Equestrian Special Olympics
NARHA Center member

www.reececenter.org

Ride-A-Wish, Inc.
Leigh Aiken, MS
14770 Wood Road
Alpharetta, Georgia 30004
404-457-8518
info@rideawish.com
www.rideawish.com

Disabilities Served: Developmental delays, cognitive impairments such as autism, attention deficit disorder, attention deficit hyperactive disorder
Focus: Therapeutic horse riding and communication skills

Rockdale County Therapeutic Recreation

Attn: Tom McPike, tom.mcpike@rockdalecounty.org

P. O. Box 224

1781 Ebenezer Road

Conyers, Georgia 30094

770-918-6306

www.rockdalecounty.org

Click on Departments

Click on “Programs”

Click on “A.S.P.I.R.E.”

information@aspirecoalition.org

www.aspirecoalition.org

Disabilities Served: All

Focus: Recreation, social, adapted sports, Special Olympics, BlazeSports, Miracle League

Ages: All

Other: Respite care at **Our Place**

SalonRed and Spa

119 East Ponce de Leon Avenue

Decatur, Georgia

404-377-3164

www.salonred.com

Salon staff has experience with children and special needs clientele.

In a community outreach program, they have worked with some DeKalb County School special education teachers to provide services for special education students

**SCVIS Space Camp
for Interested Visually Impaired Students**

West Virginia School for the Blind

P. O. Box 1034

Romney, West Virginia 26757

304-822-4883 or 304-851-5680 – cell for Dan Oates

scivis@atlanticbb.net

<http://www.tsbvi.edu/space>

Disabilities Served: Visually impaired

Focus: Science and recreation

Ages: Grades 4 - 12

Other: Residential, coed,
at US Space and Rocket Center in
Huntsville, Alabama

Sensory Friendly Films at AMC Entertainment

AMC Discover Mills 18

5900 Sugarloaf Parkway

Loganville, Georgia 30043

678-847-9265

AMC Phipps Plaza 14

3500 Peachtree Road, NE

Atlanta, Georgia 30326

404-231-1492

AMC Southlake 24

7065 Mount Zion Circle

Morrow, Georgia 30260

770-473-0719

Disability Served: Autism,
sensory integration issues

Focus: Monthly film event
for families with children with
autism and sensory integration
issues

Ages: All

Other: The lights are brought up,
the sound is turned down, and
audience movement and noise
are tolerated – thus family friendly
and sensory friendly

www.asaga.com

Shepherd Center

Matt Edens, Sports Teams Coordinator

2020 Peachtree Road, NW

Atlanta, Georgia 30309-1465

404-350-1287

Matt Edens - matt_Edens@shepherd.org

www.shepherd.org/resources/sports.asp

Disabilities Served: Physical

Focus: Recreational and competitive sports, including fishing, fencing, riflery, track, basketball waterskiing, swimming, soccer, AllSports Camp in the fall at Roosevelt Sports Training Complex for ages 16+ years

Other: Assistive technology specialists offer an adaptive driving school, computer access clinics

Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia, Inc.

Camp New Hope

2391 Benjamin E. Mays Drive, SW

Atlanta, Georgia 30311-3291

Dr. Collette Hopkins, Camp Director

404-755-1641 ext. 231

campnewshope@sicklecellatlaga.org

Gerald Mansfield, Assistant Camp Director

404-755-1641 ext. 207

g_mansfield@sicklecellatlaga.org

www.sicklecellga.org

Disabilities Served: Sickle Cell

Focus: Recreation, socializing, coping skills

Ages: 6 – 17 years

Other: Year-round activities

Location: Camp Twin Lakes Residential, coed

SOAR

P. O. Box 388

Balsam, North Carolina 28707-0388

828-456-3435

admissions@soarnc.org

www.soarnc.org

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, Attention Deficit Disorders

Focus: Wilderness based program

Ages: 8-18 years, depending on program

Scholarships based on financial needs

Sonrise Camp

3012 Simpson Park Road

Gainesville, Georgia 30506

678-450-6905

Bachfan@aol.com

www.sonrisecamp.org

Disabilities Served: Most disabilities

Focus: Hippotherapy, petting farm in a Christian setting

Ages: All ages

Other: Day camp, rental facility

NARHA Premier Accredited Center

South Carolina Jaycees**Jaycee Camp Hope**

Carey Patterson, Camp Hope Program Manager

804 Brooks Street

Abbeville, South Carolina 29620

864-366-0228

cuolcamps-L@clemson.edu

www.clemson.edu/outdoorlab/camps.htm

Disabilities Served: Cognitive disabilities

Focus: Recreation

Ages: 8 years and up

Other: Residential, coed

Location: Clemson Outdoor Laboratory

Other: 4 one-week camps

1 two-week camp

South Carolina Lions**Camp Leo**

South Carolina Commission for the Blind
P. O. Box 2467
1430 Confederate Avenue
Columbia, South Carolina 29202
1-800-922-2222

publicinfo@sccb.sc.gov

www.sccb.state.sc.us/

Camp Lions Den

Clemson University Outdoor Lab
Janay Whitesel

Box 263 Lehotsky Hall

Clemson, South Carolina 29634-0737

www.clemson.edu/outdoorlab/camps.htm

cuolcamps-L@clemson.edu

Disabilities Served: Blind, low vision

Disabilities Served: Visually impaired

Focus: Recreation, independent living

Ages: Children and youth

Location: Hilton Head Preparatory School

Disabilities Served: Blind, low vision

Focus: Recreation, independent living

Ages: Children and youth

Location: Clemson Outdoor Laboratory

South DeKalb Association for Super Special Youth**SASSY**

BJ Kelly

PO Box 316935

Decatur, Georgia 30036-1935

770-987-9171

bjkel@bellsouth.net

www.geocities.com/sdassy98/

Disabilities Served: Developmental

Ages Served: Young adults

Focus: Recreation, social and life skills, community awareness and inclusion

Southeastern Diabetes Education Services

Camp Seale Harris at Camp ASCCA

Camp Sugar Falls in Birmingham & Mobile

500 Chase Park South, Suite 104

Hoover, Alabama 35244

205-402-0415

info@southeasterndiabetes.org

www.southeasterndiabetes.org

Disabilities Served: Diabetes

Focus: Recreation and diabetes education

Ages: Family camp: birth – 17 years

Camp Seale Harris – 13 – 17 (overnight)

Camp Sugar Falls – 6 – 17 years (day)

Southern Behavioral Group

Circle of Friends Social Group

Heather Hackett-Hayes, M.Ed.

1950 Spectrum Circle

Marietta, Georgia 30067

678-921-2811

www.southernbehavioral.com

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum developmental disabilities, emotional and behavioral disorders, psychiatric disorders, dual diagnosis

Ages Served: Pre-K – high school

Focus: Life skills, play skills, communication, social skills, behavior management

Other: Typically developing peers are included. Setting for services can be in the clinic, home, school, or community

**Southwest Christian Care
Hope House Children's Respite Center**

7225 Lester Road
Union City, Georgia 30291
770-969-8354

Ext. 227 for Karen Williams, LPN
kwilliams@swchristiancare.org
Ext. 250 for Tracey Kerkemeyer, RN
tkerkemeyer@swchristiancare.org
www.swchristiancare.org

Disabilities Served: Medically fragile children

Focus: Respite

Ages: 0 – 21 years

Space Camp for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students

C/O Amy Newland
MSSD 800 Florida Avenue NE
Washington, DC 30002
deafspacecamp@aol.com
www.spacecamp.com/deaf

Disabilities Served: Deaf, hard of hearing

Focus: Educational recreation

Ages: 9 – 18 years (must have completed 4th grade)

Other: Residential

Location: Huntsville, Alabama

Sparrowwood

at Camp Glisson
690 Camp Glisson Road
Dahlonega, Georgia 30533
706-864-6181
info@campglisson.org
www.campglisson.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental delays

Focus: Recreation and social skills

Ages: 10 years up

Other: Residential, coed
Limited Scholarships

Special Equestrians of Georgia

Stacey Edwards
715 Sable Pointe Road (mailing address)
Alpharetta, Georgia 30004
404-218-4008
Stacia1106@mindspring.com
information@specialequestriansofgeorgia.com
www.specialequestriansofgeorgia.org

Disability Served: Physical, emotional, cognitive

Focus: Animal-assisted therapy

Ages: 4 years up, including adult

Farm address: 101 Manor Ridge Road
Woodstock, Georgia 30088
NARHA certified instructor

**Special K's, A Grassroots Agency of
Special Olympics Georgia**

Debbie Currere, Management Team Chair
142 Teal Court
Roswell, Georgia 30076
770-649-0070
Debbieanne6@charter.net

Disabilities Served: Developmental

Focus: Special Olympics sports

Ages Served: 8 years to adult

Other: Seasonal sports throughout the year
Bowling, power lifting, cheerleading,
basketball, track, aquatics, tennis, golf,
bocce, LD walking, Master's Bowling,

Area: Roswell, Alpharetta

Special Needs Schools of Gwinnett

660 Davis Road
Lawrenceville, Georgia 30045

Disabilities Served: All disabilities,
cross category including attention deficit,
autism, Down syndrome, muscular dystrophy,

678-442-6262
snsfmgwinnett@bellsouth.net
www.specialneedsschools.org

speech language
Focus: Academic enrichment, social skills
Ages: Toddlers – twelfth grade
Other: Inclusive

Special Olympics Georgia

Building 400, Suite 400
4000 DeKalb Technology Parkway
Atlanta, Georgia 30340
770-414-9390 or 1-800-866-4400
Jennifer.Daniell@SpecialOlympicsGA.org
www.specialolympicsga.org

Disabilities Served: Intellectual disabilities
Focus: Sports competition and training
Ages: 8 years up

Special Populations Tennis Program, Inc.

3176 Westfield Way
Roswell, Georgia 30075
770-740-8723
jim_hamm@specialpopstennis.com
www.specialpopstennis.com

Disabilities Served: Developmental Disabilities
Focus: Tennis Recreation, Special Olympics
Ages: 8 up – all skill levels
Other: Racquets furnished
10 locations: East Roswell Park, Roswell; Fair Oaks Tennis Center, Marietta, Northwood County Club, Lawrenceville, Marcus Jewish Community Center, Dunwoody Deer Lick Park, Douglasville Harrison Tennis Center, Marietta Collins Hill Athletic Club, Lawrenceville Vickery Park, Cumming Lost Mountain Tennis Center, Marietta Wesleyan School, Alpharetta
Locations change so review the web site Throughout the year

Spectrum

Gwinnett County Autism Support Group
Spectrum Camps and Clubs
PO Box 502
Grayson, Georgia 30017
678-640-2489 (evenings) – Mary O’Connell
scc2000@atlspectrum.org
Atl-spectrum-owner@yahoogroups.com – listserv
www.atl-spectrum.com

Disabilities Served: Autism spectrum disorders/Asperger Syndrome
Focus: Respite, day and overnight camps during summer and school holidays, social activities, teen groups and sibling support groups. See web site for current contacts
Ages: 4 – 22 years

Speech Pathology Services, Inc. (SPS, Inc.)

Mindy Cohen, M.Ed., CCC-SLP, Founding Director
750 Hammond Drive, Bldg. 4, Suite 100
Atlanta, Georgia 30328
404-459-9192
678-904-6347 - Fax

Disabilities Served: Speech, language, feeding, sensory, and/or motor difficulties
Focus: Therapy
Ages: 6 months – adult

Wendy Munro-Fern, Clinic Coordinator
wendy@sps-atlanta.com
www.sps-atlanta.com

Spina Bifida Camps

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
404-231-9887 ext. 223
nyleta@camptwinlakes.org

Disabilities Served: Spina Bifida
Focus: Recreation
Ages: Children and teens

Sugarloaf United Methodist Church

1795 Old Peachtree Road
Duluth, Georgia 30097
404-932-3953 – Vicki LaRoche - salvwl@aol.com
www.sugarloaf.org
Click on "Ministries" then "NIGHTLIGHTS"

Disabilities Served: Cognitive impairments, mild/moderate
Focus: NIGHTLIGHTS is a social program for school age and older. It meets one Friday night a month from 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM. See calendar on website.
Does not meet in summer.

Summit Camp and Travel

At Honesdale Pennsylvania
18 East 41st Street, Suite 402
New York, New York 10017
800-323-9908
www.summitcamp.com

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, attention deficit/attention deficit hyperactivity disorders, Asperger's Syndrome, Tourette syndrome, obsessive compulsive disorder, mild mood disorders
Focus: Structured, supportive recreation
Ages: 8 – 17 years
Other: Residential, coed

Sunny Shores Sea Camp

Attn: Karen Disney-Brombach , karendisney@bellsouth.net
12525 79th Street
Fellsmere, Florida 32948
772-571-8222
www.sunnyshorsesseacamp.org

Disabilities Served: Cystic fibrosis
Focus: Recreation
Ages: Children, youth, and adults and their families
Other: Residential, coed, with up to three other family members, free

Talisman Summer Camps

64 Gap Creek Road
Zirconia, North Carolina 28790
1-888-458-8226 Toll free
info@talismancamps.com
www.talimancamps.com

Disabilities Served: Learning disabilities, attention deficit, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, Asperger's Syndrome and high functioning autism
Focus: Academics, learning adventures
Ages: 6 – 17 years and 18 – 21 years

Tennessee Jaycees Foundation, Inc.

Camp Discovery
P. O. Box 10206
Knoxville, Tennessee 37939

Disabilities Served: Physical and cognitive disabilities
Focus: Recreation
Ages: 7 – 80 years

615-893-7663 or 865-558-8271
director@jayceecamp.org
www.jayceecamp.org

Location: Between Nashville and Knoxville in Gainesboro

Tessitura Studio
409 Mead Road, Studio 6
Decatur, Georgia 30030
404-370-1019
lynette@MyTessitura.com
www.mytessitura.com

Disabilities Served: Inclusive early childhood music and movement classes
Focus: Music and movement based on Musikgarten curricula
Ages: Birth – 6 years

Thalassemia Family Weekend
Camp Twin Lakes
Lindsey Cooper
404-231-9887 x 223
Lindsey@camptwinlakes.org

Disabilities Served: Young adults with Thalassemia and their families
Focus: Recreation, education, support
Ages: 18 years up

Therapy Works, PC
1509 Atkinson Road, Suite 1100
Lawrenceville, Georgia 30043
770-995-2379
kaynelson@therapyworkspc.com
www.therapyworkspc.com

Disabilities Served: Children needing motor skills therapy, social skills, sensory motor activities
Focus: Therapeutic activities, including music, and art
Ages: 3 – 12 years
Other: Also in Norcross

TopSoccer Outreach Program
Susanne Conlon, Special Programs Director, GYSA
4270 Marietta Street
Powder Springs, Georgia 30127
770-514-4367
conlons@mindspring.com
www.youthsoccer.org go to “Programs”
Gwinnett Soccer Association
Kathy and Leonard Bender
770-381-1600
kathy.bender@gsasoccer.com
www.gsasoccer.com/TOPSoccer.htm

Disabilities Served: Physical and mental disabilities
Focus: Soccer
Ages: Placed on teams according to ability, not age

Tourette Syndrome Association of Georgia/South Carolina
Patricia Kardon, Executive Director
PO Box 6147
Athens, Georgia 30606
tsageorgia@bellsouth.net
www.georgiatourette.org

Disabilities Served: Tourette Syndrome and its associated disorders
Focus: Recreation
Ages:
Other: Family weekend in the fall and an “adventure week” in the summer

United Cerebral Palsy of Greater Atlanta, Inc.

UCP After-School and Summer Care
3300 Northeast Expressway, Building 9
Atlanta, Georgia 30341
(770) 676-2000
www.ucpga.org

Disabilities Served: Most**Focus:** After-school and summer child care**Ages:** school-age up to 21 years**Other:** Lawrenceville**University Health Care System**

Camp Whispering Wind at Camp Gravatt (Asthma)
Contact Sheila Kamath or Pam Robertson
706-774-5864
Camp Juliet (Diabetes)
Contact Debra Whitley, R.N., CDE
dwhitley@uh.org
706-868-3237
1350 Walton Way
Augusta, Georgia 30901-2629
www.universityhealth.org type in “camp” in the search box

Disabilities Served: Children with asthma or diabetes**Ages:** 8 – 14 years**Focus:** Recreation with asthma or diabetes education and self management**Ages:** 7 – 16 years**Vent Kids of Alabama**

Light the Way Camp
Kara Bishop
4073 McClendon Chapel Road
Bessemer, Alabama 35022
karabishop@ventkidsofalabama.com
(205) 370-9605

Disabilities Served: Children on ventilators and their families**Focus:** Weekend family camp**Location:** Children’s Harbor, Alexander City, Alabama**Walton Rehabilitation Hospital**

Attn: Judie Thompson
1355 Independence Drive
Augusta, Georgia 30901-1037
(706) 533-8076
jthompson@wrh.org
www.wrh.org

Disabilities Served: Physical, traumatic brain injury**Focus:** Recreation**Ages:** Children and young adults**Other:** BlazeSports Augusta, Adaptive golf, wheelchair tennis and basketball, swimming, **Camp TBI – To Be Independent**, residential camp for individuals with traumatic brain injury, is at Camp Twin Lakes**Wellspring Camp**

Josh Griffin
559 Rucker Road
Jefferson, Georgia 30549
706-206-0893
wellspringcamp@gmail.com
www.wellspringcamponline.com

Disabilities Served: Developmental and physical, including nonverbal and not toilet trained**Focus:** Recreation, social, respite**Ages:** 8 years up through adults

Wheelchair Tennis Instructional Clinics

Attn: Ron Walker
Blackburn Tennis Center
3501 Ashford Dunwoody Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30319
(770) 998-2296
rd_walker@mindspring.com

Disabilities Served: All wheelchair users

Focus: Recreation and social skills

Ages: 4 years – adult

Will-A-Way Group Camp at Fort Yargo

210 S Broad Street
Winder, Georgia 30680
770-867-6123
www.gastateparks.org/info/ftyargo
Click on “Will-A-Way Recreation Area”

Disabilities Served: Camp site
for all disabilities now operated by
Camp Twin Lakes

YMCA of Metro Atlanta

World of Fun – YTeen Club

Ed Isakson / Alpharetta Family YMCA Teen Center
3655 Preston Ridge Road
Alpharetta, Georgia 30005
770-664-1220
www.ymcaatlanta.org

Disabilities Served: Developmental
disabilities

Focus: Social activities, games, music,
crafts

Ages: 13 - 22

Other: Financial assistance available

Adapted Sports

Robert D. Fowler Family YMCA
5600 West Jones Bridge Road
Norcross, Georgia 30092
770-246-9622
Mike Steele – james@ymcaatlanta.org
www.ymcaatlanta.org

Disabilities Served: All disabilities,
including but not limited to, developmental and
physical disabilities

Focus: Group and private swim lessons,

Ages: All

Ask your local YMCA about adapted sports, Happy Club, and social clubs for individuals with special needs.

Young Chef’s Academy

Toco Hills Shopping Center
2903 North Druid Hills Road
Atlanta, Georgia 30329
404-633-2633
northdruidhills@youngchefsacademy.com
www.youngchefsacademy.com

This cooking school will provide
*classes tailored to different
abilities, interests, and ages.*

They can accommodate individuals with
both physical and developmental disabilities.
*Classes for adults with developmental
disabilities* focuses on easy and fun-to-
prepare healthy dishes. Students make
their own cookbooks.

Related Web Sites

American Camp Association

ACA Southeastern Contact Information
13000 S Tyron Street, Suite F #310
Charlotte, North Carolina 28278
(919) 402-4336

info@acasoutheastern.org

www.acasoutheastern.org

Standards and accreditation for camps

Information for parents, campers

www.americanhippotherapyassociation.org

Information about Hippotherapy and listing of trained therapists

www.bravekids.org

Information and listing of resources for parents of children with chronic, life-threatening illnesses and disabilities – including a list of camps by Disabilities

www.childrenwithdiabetes.com/camps/

Listing of camps, by state, for individuals with diabetes

Fragile Kids Foundation

3350 Riverwood Parkway, Suite 1400
Atlanta, Georgia 30339
770-951-6111

help@fragilekids.org

www.fragilekids.org

Provides equipment to fragile children

www.health.state.ga.us/programs

Georgia Department of Human Resources

Babies Can't Wait

Children with Special Needs

Children's Medical Services

Interfaith Disabilities Connection

Bobby Dodd Institute
2120 Marietta Boulevard, NW
Atlanta, Georgia 30318
678-365-0073

www.interfaithDisabilities.org

Library ParkPass Loan Program

www.getoutdoorsgeorgia.org

www.gastateparks.org/net/content/go.aspx?s=158912.0.0.5

Georgia libraries and the Georgia Department of Natural Resources partner to give library card holders free parking or admission to more than 60 state parks operated by the state. Library card holders check out the ParkPass for a week at a time. (The ParkPass does not cover parks like Stone Mountain or Lake Lanier because they are not run by the state.)

NICHCY – National Dissemination Center for Children with Disabilities

P.O. Box 1492

Washington, DC 20013

(800) 695-0285 Voice/ TTY

nichcy@aed.org

www.nichcy.org

Information for parents with children with special needs includes camp tips and some camps resources

Available in Spanish

North American Riding for the Handicapped Association, Inc. – NARHA

P. O. Box 33150

Denver, Colorado 80233

(800) 369-RIDE (7433)

www.narha.org

Find NARHA accredited centers and certified professionals in your area

Parent to Parent of Georgia

Statewide - Provider of support and information to parents of children with disabilities

Available in Spanish

www.parenttoparentofga.org

METRO AREA PARENT MENTORS

Atlanta City Schools:

Ms. Catrina Hood 404-324-1946

Sharon Matthews 404-245-3755

Clayton County Schools:

Ms. Opal Simmons 404-362-3810

Ms. Stephanie Simms 404-362-3810

Cobb County Schools:

Ms. Ijeoma Ajoku 770-529-0046

Ms. Judith Steuber 770-529-0046

Decatur City Schools:

Cheryl Grant 404-370-4400 ext. 942

DeKalb County Schools:

Ms. Paulette Gay 678-676-1897

Ms. Madeline Griffin 678-676-1897

Ms. Melanie Johnson 678-676-1897

Fulton County Schools:

Jennifer Carroll 404-763-5600, ext. 225

Ms. Sabrina Gresham 404-763-5600, ext. 173

Gwinnett County Schools:

Ms. Anne Ladd 678-301-7212

Ms. Jackie McNair 678-301-7149

Rockdale County Schools:

Ms. Kay Rogers 770-860-4244