

ALL CAMPER CRITERIA

- 3-17 years of age
- Requires no more than minimal daily nursing care
- Breathes without ventilator
- Consistently communicates yes/no with everyone
- Needs skilled therapy intervention (OT, PT, Speech)
- Working on a life skill (Activity of Daily Life [bathing, dressing, grooming] or more complex)
- Stable medications for behavior management (if applicable)
- No recent or major violence/aggression
- Regularly attends school for full day, and 5 days/week
- Remains with group (no elopement)
- Tolerates variety of environments (loud, busy, bright, hot)
- Tolerates regular schedule (7am-9pm awake, meals, therapies, activities, campouts etc.)
- Tolerates changes to schedule

PLACEMENT GUIDELINES

Bay Cliff will assess our ability to successfully care for each child, each year. This assessment begins with the all-camper criteria (above) and then continues with the following placement guidelines. It is based on our existing camp structure including but not limited to: staffing, housing and scheduling. Our housing is divided into five Units, each being unique.

UNIT I: female campers, ages 6 – 17.

UNIT II: male campers, ages 10 – 17.

UNIT III: male campers, ages 6 – 9.

Typical counselor-to-camper ratio 1:6 (1:4 for youngest campers)

Units are organized into cabins, each with a bathroom and with showers either in the cabin or down the hall. Two counseling staff are in-charge during 'rest' times (1-3:00 pm, 9-11:00pm), while children are in cabins and others are off-duty.

Campers stay at Bay Cliff for full 7-week camp session.

- Require minimal support (at least 75% independent) in ADLs (bathing, dressing, grooming, feeding self)
- Safe during unstructured time, with reduced adult support (ex. time on playground)
- Follow 1+ step directions
- Take direction from more than one adult
- Complete routine tasks
- Transition with the group around camp
- Move around camp independently (or modified independence using device)
- Remain seated for meals

UNIT I, II, III PLACEMENT GUIDELINES – CONTINUED

- Participate in meals with high degree of independence
- Play and interact with peers or independently
- Tolerate quiet time (called ‘rest’) 1-3pm on weekdays
- Participate at an age-appropriate level, in small & large group activities without significant support
- Tolerate difference (foods, prizes, packages etc.)
- Adhere to publically appropriate behavior in camp setting and with cabin mates (Please inquire if you have questions)

UNIT IV: female and male campers, ages 3 – 5.

Typical counselor-to-camper ratio 1:2

Unit organized into two large cabins, with bathrooms and bathing options available.

One counseling staff member is in charge in each cabin during ‘rest’ times (1-3:00 pm, through the night), while children are in cabins and others are off-duty.

Two sessions take place, each 3.5 weeks.

- Participate in meals with adult support
- Tolerate group setting with same-age peers with adult support
- Accept support/direction from more than one adult
- Play
- Be safe with self and others with adult support

UNIT V: female and male campers, ages 6 – 17.

Typical counselor-to-camper ratio 1:2

Unit is organized into three large cabins, with accessible restrooms available centrally. Restrooms and Unit door equipped with automatic openers.

One counseling staff member is in charge in each cabin during ‘rest’ times (1-3:00 pm, through the night), while children are in cabins and others are off-duty.

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- Require barrier-free environment
- Have established swallowing/dysphagia protocol if applicable (altered texture, nothing by mouth [NPO] etc.)
- Tolerate support/care provided by more than one person
- Demonstrate participation in therapy, and large and small group activities with assistance
- Demonstrate interpersonal interactions in a variety of environments with a variety of people

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