

General Camp Information

Program Goals

Thurston County Inclusion's mission is to provide opportunities for youth of all abilities to create, form and strengthen relationships that will last a lifetime. It is our hope that through our camp, participants will form relationships with their peers, gain camp experience, meet others with different abilities, be active and outside, and experience new opportunities.

Program Costs

This camp is completely free to all participants.

Days/Locations

Our camp is every Friday from July 8th to August 26th. For 6/8 days, the camp will be located at Rainier Vista Park. We will have two Field Trip Days, one to a farm and one Sailing. More information will be provided for field trip days.

We have three sessions:

9 - 11 AM: Morning Session for ages 5 to 12

12 - 2 PM: Two Afternoon Sessions, one for ages 13 - 17, one for ages 18 - 21.

What We Do at Camp

Each week of camp has a different theme. Please look at our calendar for our themes this year. Each week follows a similar structure. First, we do a group activity. Then, we do rotations with your small group and eat a snack. Finally, we do another group activity.

Staff Support

Thurston County Inclusion Staff are trained and available to support you in programs so that you can participate and your child can be as independent as possible. Please communicate to staff if there are specific things they can help support you with in programs.

Areas that staff CANNOT support members:

- Bathrooming*
- Administering medications*
- Feeding*
- Intervention and de-escalation for violent/aggressive behavior*

*If you will need assistance with any of these areas *during* a camp session, please have your child attend camp with a parent/guardian/caregiver. This individual will just need to sign a Liability/Media release form upon arrival.

Sickness Policy

Please do not send your child to camp sick. We value the safety and health of all participants. Please make sure that your child is symptom-free for the 24 hours prior to attending camp. Symptoms can include: vomiting, diarrhea, rash, persistent cough, fever or temperature (100.0 F or higher), obvious contagious conditions, such as head lice or pink eye.

What to Expect

Each week of camp will have a different theme, however much of our structure will remain the same from week to week. During the first weeks of camp, your participant will meet many new peers and volunteers and get to know our routines. This can be a lot to process while you are first getting started! Please talk to a Thurston County Inclusion Staff member if you need support in adjusting and feeling comfortable at programs. We want your child to have a positive, meaningful experience and we will do our very best to make that happen!

Questions?

Please check out our FAQ page and/or reach out to Natalie, natalie@thurstoncountyinclusion.org.