

A Day at Clover Patch Camp

Each cabin typically has six direct care counselors working directly with eight campers. As a team, the cabin staff work together twenty-four hours a day to give their campers a full week of fun, laughter and new friends.

Every morning begins with the raising of the flag and morning welcome song. Daily activities include arts & crafts, sports & outdoor recreation, music & drama, nature activities, swimming, guest entertainment and much more. Interspersed through the activities are the daily necessities including meals, showers and medications. Each day ends with lights out at 9:00 p.m.

Each camping session begins and ends with a campfire ceremony to anticipate the excitement, celebrate each camper, bid farewell to new friends and cherish memories.

Employment at Clover Patch

Positions Available

- ♣ Direct Care Counselors
- ♣ RNs and LPNs
- ♣ Lifeguard
- ♣ Aquatics Director
- ♣ Maintenance/Grounds Keeper
- ♣ Head Cook
- ♣ Kitchen Assistant

Support positions may be non-residential or residential.

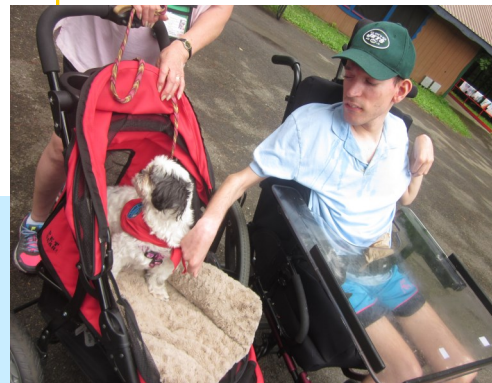
Dates of Employment

Orientation

June 4-9 2023

Camping Season

June 11– July 28, 2023



Contact Information

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Address: 55 Helping Hand Lane
Glenville, NY 12302

How to Apply

The application can be downloaded from the camp website or a hardcopy can be requested from the Camp office.

Credentials

Clover Patch Camp is operated by the Center for Disability Services, and is licensed and inspected annually by the NYS Dept. of Health. Inspection reports are on file at the NYS DOH District Office in Glens Falls, NY. Clover Patch complies with American Camping Assn. guidelines and is approved by the Office for People with Dev Disabilities.



Clover Patch Camp

A summer camp and respite program for children and adults with disabilities

Information for the Prospective Employee



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Our Mission

Clover Patch welcomes campers with disabilities, ages five and older. All prospective campers are evaluated individually and are enrolled pending physician's approval and appropriate screening by the Camp Director and medical advisors.

Camp Mission

We are committed to meeting each camper's needs through continuous improvement and growth. We believe that through our commitment we possess the innovation, integrity and momentum to strengthen our services and provide each camper with the experience of a lifetime. We strive to create an atmosphere where campers and staff can develop life skills, self-confidence and personal freedom by creating new friends, new memories and new experiences.



Staff Benefits

- ♣ Free rustic bunkhouse living quarters
- ♣ All meals provided daily
- ♣ Laundry facilities and supplies at no charge
- ♣ Free healthcare for minor injuries and illnesses
- ♣ Staff lounge, telephone, TV/DVD
- ♣ Internet access and Wi-Fi
- ♣ 2 hours off each working day
- ♣ Saturdays off!
- ♣ A one-week orientation to prepare for the summer experience
- ♣ Lifelong interpersonal and leadership skills
- ♣ Opportunities to learn new skills
- ♣ Professional job experience
- ♣ Comprehensive job training
- ♣ An opportunity to live and work with people from across the country and around the world



Frequently Asked Questions

Who comes to camp?

- ♣ Children (min. age 5) and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities

What are the ages of the campers?

- ♣ 5%, 5-9 25%, 10-19 15%, 20-29
20%, 30-39 35%, 41+ years

What types of disabilities do the campers have?

- ♣ A range including mild to severe intellectual disability, autism, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, ADHD, traumatic brain injury, medically frail
- ♣ 35% non-ambulatory, 40% non-verbal

How many campers attend and what is the camper to staff ratio?

- ♣ Maximum of 24 campers per session
- ♣ 2:1 camper to staff ratio

How many staff work at camp?

- ♣ 18 direct care staff, 4 support staff, 3 nurses, 3 administrators

Who works at camp?

- ♣ 75% are college-aged students
- ♣ 30% from Europe, 5% from Asia, 65% from USA
- ♣ 30% staff return rate

Do I have to swim?

- ♣ Counselors are expected to swim with campers daily

Where is Glenville?

- ♣ 35 minutes Northwest of Albany, NY

Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I sleep?

- ♣ Counselors are required to sleep 1-2 nights weekly in the camper cabins
- ♣ All off-duty staff sleep separate from campers in shared living quarters in rustic cabins with screened windows and bunk beds

What type of food is served?

- ♣ Simple, balanced, family-style (e.g. hamburgers, spaghetti, tacos, etc.)
- ♣ Staff with special dietary needs are required to supply their own food
- ♣ A staff refrigerator is available for personal food items

What is the time-off schedule?

- ♣ Sessions begin at 11 A.M. on Sunday and end at 3 P.M. on Friday
- ♣ Each staff person has two hours off during the day (Monday-Thursday) and 1-2 nights off per week
- ♣ Friday night, all-day Saturday, and Sunday morning off!

How do I get around?

- ♣ Camp is located on a city bus line with daily service to stores, shops, libraries, entertainment, banks, etc.
- ♣ Camp is convenient to the bus/train station and Albany airport for extended trips
- ♣ Taxi service is available
- ♣ Uber and Lyft are now available!