

## A Day at Camp SPECTACULAR

The program is open to children entering 3rd grade through entering 12th grade. Each session is supervised by special education teachers and camp counselors. As a team, the staff work together to give the campers a week full of fun, laughter and new friends.

Every session begins group activities focusing on collaborative skills and group projects. Daily activities include arts & crafts, swimming, music & drama, non-competitive sports & outdoor recreation, teambuilding, problem-solving challenges, guest entertainment and group discussions.

Each session ends with a special campfire ceremony during which we review the day's activities, anticipate the fun for the next day and celebrate each individual.

The last day of every session is Family Day. This is an opportunity for families to come together and share the fun at Camp Spectacular.



## Contact Information

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Address: 55 Helping Hand Lane  
Glenville, NY 12302

### How to Apply

For your convenience, you may either download an application from our website or contact the Camp office.

### Credentials

Camp Spectacular 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, New York. Camp complies with American Camping Association guidelines and is approved by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.

### Affiliations:



  
**Camp Spectacular**  
*At the Center for Disability Services*

*Where people get better at life™*

*A day camp experience for children  
with autism spectrum disorders, social  
anxiety and ADD/ADHD*



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## 2023 Session Dates & Fees

**Session 1: July 24-July 28**

**Session 2: July 31-August 4**

**Session 3: August 7-11**

**Morning session, 9:00 am—12:00 pm**

**Afternoon session, 1:00 pm—4:00 pm**

### Fee

**Session 1: \$425.00**

**Session 2: \$425.00**

**Session 3 (half day): \$200.00**

***Fee includes a \$75 deposit per session***

### Admissions

- ♣ Camp is available on a first come first served basis. Acceptance into camp is contingent upon review of a complete application by the camp director, social worker and medical advisors.
- ♣ Applications will be reviewed based on the child's appropriateness for camp and his or her need for a summer program.
- ♣ New campers are required to attend a pre-camp screening. It gives us a chance to meet the camper and assess his or her appropriateness for camp.



## Frequently Asked Questions

### *Who can attend?*

- ♣ Children entering 3rd grade—entering 12th grade with autism spectrum disorders, social anxiety and ADD/ADHD
- ♣ Children that have average or above average language skills
- ♣ Children that have demonstrated self-management skills in community and school settings

### *Who cannot attend?*

- ♣ Children that exhibit aggressive or self-abusive behavior
- ♣ Children that are a flight risk
- ♣ Children that require a constant one-to-one aide

### *Who works at camp?*

- ♣ The program is administered by the Clover Camp Director.
- ♣ Camp is coordinated and facilitated by a licensed clinical social worker with over a decade of experience with the autism spectrum.
- ♣ Daily activities and curricula are led by special education teachers and camp counselors.

### *Is transportation provided?*

- ♣ Transportation to and from camp is the responsibility of the camper

### *How do I know if Camp Spectacular is right for my child?*

- ♣ Visit the website
- ♣ Tour the camp and meet the director
- ♣ Join us at the camp open house

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### *Why should I send my child to Camp Spectacular?*

- ♣ Camp fosters the development of social relationships with peers.
- ♣ Camp connects families and creates a social network beyond camp.
- ♣ Camp encourages teamwork and helps children to meet new people.
- ♣ Camp allows growth as individuals by exposure to new experiences.

### *What is the process for hiring camp staff? Will my child be safe?*

- ♣ All potential camp employees complete a comprehensive application, including disclosure of criminal history and a complete background check (state and sexual offender databases).
- ♣ Each applicant completes a personal interview with camp administration. Three references are checked for every candidate.
- ♣ All employees are continually assessed during their employment at camp to ensure exemplary performance.

### *How do I apply?*

- ♣ The application can be downloaded from the camp website or a hardcopy can be requested from the Camp office.
- ♣ There is no application deadline. We continue to accept applications until we are at full capacity.
- ♣ Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.