

2019 Recreation & Camp Guide for Students and Adults with Special Needs





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DAY PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES

Adventurers Academy of Lifelong Learning

The Adventurers Academy supports adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in the Austin area through a variety of social, educational, recreational, and vocational experiences throughout the year.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 18+

Cost: \$45/day; 5-week camp with a minimum attendance of 3 days per week

Location: 1010 Meredith Drive, Austin, TX 78748

Mailing Address: 7106 Shadywood Drive, Austin TX 78745 (for applications)

Call: (737) 203-5494 or Cell: (512) 784-2479 (Diane Mackey, Director)

Email: diane@austinadventurers.org

Website: <http://www.austinadventurers.org/>

Austin ISD Special Olympics

A 9-month program offered during the school year. Sports training and athletic competition is offered in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

Languages Spoken: English

Call: Contact your child's special education case manager for more information or in AISD, call Shalanda Byers, Austin ISD Area Athletic Coordinator/Special Olympics Coordinator at (512) 841-8336

Email: Shalanda.byers@austinisd.org

Website: <http://austinisdathletics.com/special-olympics/>

Armstrong Community Music School

Provides access to high quality musical experiences and education for all. Offerings include day camps and Spring Break camps, Early Childhood Music classes, group piano for ages 4-6, Family Ukulele Classes, choir, and private musical instruction.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish

Ages: 6 weeks – Adult

Cost: Please see website for pricing information; tuition assistance is available for select programs.

Location: 404 Camp Craft Road, Austin, TX 78746 or 300 E Monroe St, Austin, TX 78704

Call: (512) 474-2331 (Sarah Beth Gooding, Director of Programs)

Email: sbgooding@acmsaustin.org

Website: <http://www.acmsaustin.org/>

ASpIRe

ASpIRe offers an array of services designed to meet the educational and behavioral needs of our clients with developmental disabilities. Please inquire for more information on current groups, social skills camps, and services offered.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: Varies

Days/Hours: individually determined by needs

Cost: Varies

Location: In-home and clinic-based services: 5209 Duval Rd, Austin, TX 78727

Call: 512-962-5543 Raschel

Email: info@aspireaustin.com

Website: <http://www.aspireaustin.com/>

Austin Jewish Community Center

Inclusive camp program for children with special needs and varying abilities. Swimming, nature trails, a low ropes course, playgrounds, activities, special events, and more! Parents must inform JCC of child's individual needs (physical, emotional, cognitive, or sensory) as soon as they are able, to allow appropriate planning time. JCamps has an Inclusion Specialist who will work with Inclusion Counselors and provide additional support to all camp staff. You don't have to be Jewish, and you don't have to be a JCC member. Please inquire by March 1.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: incoming kindergarten-incoming 6th graders

Cost: Varies

Location: 7300 Hart Lane, Austin, TX 78731

Call: (512) 735-8050

Email: Camp Gan Kef- ECPAdmin@shalomaustin.org

School Aged Camps- YouthAndTeenOffice@shalomaustin.org

Website: <https://shalomaustin.org/jcamps>

Austin Nature & Science Center

Explore nature and investigate science in this very active, outdoor camp with weekly sessions. 8:1 camper to counselor ratio for ages 4-5-year and 12:1 ratio for ages 6-13. Activities include nature games, science experiments, animal visitors, hiking, wading, swimming, caving, canoeing, and field trips. Some camps include an off-site overnight campout. Campers must be able to stay with their group and be safe in an outdoor setting. Please contact ANSC to discuss needed accommodations at least 2 weeks before programming.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-14

Cost: Depends on age and length of session

Location: 2389 Stratford Dr. Austin, TX 78746 & around Austin

Call: (512) 974-3888

Email: anscprograms@austintexas.gov

Website: <http://austintexas.gov/department/austin-nature-and-science-center>

Austin Parks and Recreation Department

The Austin Parks and Recreation Department offers a wide variety of summer programs for children 5-12 years old, and some facilities provide preschool and teen programs. Whether you're looking for active play, outdoor adventure, strategy games, or cultural activities, we have it all! Our trained staff focus on youth development and will guide your child through exciting recreational experiences in a safe and welcoming environment. Staff or interns are available to help children with disabilities; accommodations provided. Call the recreation center near you to discuss how their programs can meet the needs of your child.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish (call camp to confirm)

Ages: 5-12

Cost: Some programs are free; others have fees

Location: Various Recreation Centers around Austin

Call: (512) 974-6700 or (512) 974-3914 (Inclusion Dept.)

Website: <http://austintexas.gov/department/summer-camps-0>

Austin/Travis County Work-Based Learning

Summer Youth Employment program provides young adults opportunities to participate in work experience while earning financial independence during the summer. To be eligible, youth must be able to work independently, live in the

City of Austin and/or Travis County, and be currently enrolled and attending school. Parents can register youth for Job Readiness Training beginning the first week of January. Fifteen hours of Job Readiness Training must be completed by March 31st.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 14-17 and youth with disabilities up to the age of 22

Location: 100 North I.H. 35, Suite 2310, Austin, TX 78701

Call: (512) 854-4590 (prerecorded detailed information)

Email: Hhs.workbasedlearning@traviscountytx.gov

Website: <https://www.traviscountytx.gov/health-human-services/children-and-youth/employment-program>

Autism Society of Texas

Nonprofit that provides multiple types of social, recreation, and leisure programming throughout the year for all ages and stages. Check the web-based calendar for current events and activities.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish

Ages: All ages

Location: Varies

Call: (512) 479-4199 Ext 1

Email: info@autismsocietyoftexas.org

Website: <http://www.texasautismsociety.org/>

Big Sky Pediatric Therapy

Provides occupational, physical and speech therapy for children ages. Encourages parents to be a part of their child's treatment and builds a program that will help parents create therapeutic opportunities for their child outside of the therapy session. Offers special workshops and small day camps focusing on topics like handwriting and social skills throughout the school year and summer.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: ages 1-21; varies by camp

Cost: Varies by camp and determined by days and hours offered

Location: 9433 Bee Caves Rd. Building 3, Suite 101, Austin, TX 78733

Call: (512) 306-8007

Email: kimberly.burke@bigskyfriends.com

Website: <http://www.bigskyfriends.com/>

Bilingualistics

Speech therapy services for children and adults. Individual therapy and Social Skills Groups. Monolingual and bilingual services.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish, Vietnamese

Ages: All ages

Cost: Varies; most insurances accepted

Days/Hours: M-F, 9-5:00 pm

Location: 1505 W. Koenig Ln, Austin, TX 78756

Call: (512) 480-9573

Email: admin@bilinguistics.com

Website: <https://bilinguistics.com/>

Camp Ailhpomeh

Camp Ailhpomeh (Hemophilia spelled backwards) is to serve the needs of boys from age 7-17 with bleeding disorders, providing a camping experience for a group of children who have traditionally been excluded from participating in other summer camp programs. The experience of camping with other children in a natural outdoor setting strengthens the child's ability to cope with the daily physical and emotional challenges of a disability and/or chronic illness. Applications due June 1. Please call or e-mail your [hemophilia program](#) for a camp application.

Ages: 7-17

Cost: Free

Days/Hours: 6 day overnight camp

Location: Camp John Marc in Meridian, TX

Email: info@camp-ailhpomeh.org

Website: <http://www.camp-ailhpomeh.org/>

Camp Cell-A-Bration

Camp Cell-A-Bration is a week-long camp for 50+ campers with Sickle Cell Disease. Many children at Camp Cell-A-Bration have suffered strokes, jaundice, pain crisis, chronic blood transfusions, surgeries, acute chest syndrome and damage to their internal organs. Although these children battle this life-threatening disease every day, we want to make sure they enjoy being KIDS!

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 6-14

Dates: August 4-August 9

Cost: \$50 application fee, camp is free

Phone: (512) 458-9767

Email: info@sicklecelltx.org

Camp Grace at Austin Oaks Church (Respite Day Camp Program)

Austin Oaks Church periodically hosts Camp Grace, a day camp including activities specially designed for kids with special needs and their siblings.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 3+

Cost: Free

Location: 4220 Monterey Oaks Blvd., Austin, TX 78749

Call: (512) 891-1609

Email: peggy.bryda@austinoakschurch.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CampGraceAustinOaksChurch>

Website: <https://www.austinoakschurch.org/special-needs/>

Camp in Motion Adaptive Sports Camp

Camp in Motion is a Dell Children's Adaptive Sports Camp in Partnership with the YMCA of Austin and is for individuals with mild to moderate cerebral palsy, or other similar neurological diagnoses, who have reasonable use of at least one arm and can follow directions. Kids at GMFCS Grade Levels I-IV are welcome as are those at Level V if they can use one arm, bring an attendant/nurse and are familiar to the camp program directors. This is a one-week day camp for a total of 4 available weeks.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish interpreters available

Ages: 5-21

Cost: The cost of the camp can be submitted to most health insurance plans. Scholarships are available.

Location: 6219 Oak Claire, Austin, TX 78735

Call: (512) 324-0000 X86399

Email: campinmotion@ascension.org

Website: <https://www.dellchildrens.net/camp-in-motion/>

Camp Success

Scottish Rite sponsored summer camp for treatment of children with language, dyslexia, and language-based reading impairments. Requirements: A complete comprehensive speech-language and literacy evaluation must be completed. Based on the results, the child will be considered for this program. There is a wait list.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-18

Cost: The Evaluation is \$400.00. Camp Success is FREE.

Location: Baylor University, Department of Communication Sciences & Disorders, Waco, TX

Call: (254) 710-4745 (Dr. Michaela J. Ritter, Director of Language Literacy Clinic, Associate Chair)

Email: michaela_ritter@baylor.edu

Website: <https://www.baylor.edu/csd/index.php?id=50610>

Capitol School of Austin

Offers a fun and enriching summer learning experience for children identified as having speech, language, or learning differences. Four-week summer enrichment programs available. Pre-school camp is for children ages 2 to 5 years and will focus on developing vocabulary and concepts. School age camp is for kids entering kindergarten through fourth grade.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2 years - 3rd Grade

Cost: Prices vary by camp

Dates and Hours: June 3 – June 28, 2019; 9:00 – 1:00 p.m.

Location: 2011 Koenig Lane, Austin, TX 78756

Call: (512) 467-7006 (Heidi)

Email: heidig@capitolschool.com

Website: <http://www.capitolschool.com/>

Children's Diabetes Camp of Central Texas

Children's Diabetes Camp of Central Texas administers three camp programs for children of various ages. A parent or caregiver will be required to come with the preschooler to provide diabetes care. We accept siblings to all our programs on a limited basis. Roundtrip bus transportation available from 3 Austin locations for a nominal extra fee.

Languages Spoken: English, periodic Spanish speaking volunteers available

Ages: all ages

Cost: Camp Bluebonnet \$150-175, CB Saturday: TBD, see website for details

Days/Hours: 3rd full week in June; Camp Bluebonnet-June 17-21, 2019 (M-Th 8:30-3:30 pm, Fri. 8:30-12:30 pm)

CIT Saturday April 20, 2019 9am-5pm, Camp Bluebonnet Buds-Saturday April 20, 2019 9am-5pm

Location: Peaceable Kingdom Retreat

Email: camp.bluebonnet@gmail.com

Website: <https://bluebonnet.camp/app/home>

Creative Action Summer Camps

Creative Action offers fun, engaging, and exciting arts-based summer camps for ages 5 – 11. Led by experienced staff, our camps are offered at three convenient locations in North Central, East, and South Austin and include a variety of themes to choose from all summer long. Campers envision and create their own films, perform on stage, and explore visual art with our professional Teaching Artists in a safe, supportive learning environment.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 5-11

Hours: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm (Before care and after care available for an additional fee.)

Cost: \$295 for one-week camps, \$590 for two-week camps; financial aid available

Location: various locations

Call: (512) 442-8773 x107

Email: enrollment@creativeaction.org

Website: <https://creativeaction.org/>

Crenshaw's Athletic Club

All-day camp and afternoon sports camp offered. Minimum requirements for participation would be the ability to stay with the group and not be disruptive. Thereafter, participation would depend upon the difficulty of the sports. Parents are advised to come by and watch the program to see if it is appropriate for their child. Regular gymnastics and swim lessons also offered.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-11

Location: 5000 Fairview Dr., Austin, TX 78731

Call: (512) 453-5551

Email: info@crenshaws.com

Website: <http://www.crenshaws.com/>

CTX (Central Texas) Ability Sports

A non-profit that provides spring (baseball) and fall (kickball) sports and activities to children with disabilities, their siblings, and parents free of charge for total family inclusion.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2-adulthood

Cost: Free

Days/Hours: Varies

Location: Various locations

Website: <http://www.huttochallenger.webs.com/>

Dougherty Arts Center

Provides a variety of multi-disciplinary classes, workshops and camps including painting, drawing, photography, pottery, metals, dance, jewelry, fiber, computer graphics, animation, drama and much more. Summer camp registration begins in February.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 3.5 - Adult

Cost: Varies by camps

Location: 1110 Barton Springs Rd., Austin, TX 78704

Call: (512) 974-4040

Website: <http://www.austintexas.gov/dougherty>

Down Home Ranch – Ranch Camp

Down Home Ranch is a 410-acre working farm east of Austin, Texas. Empowers people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through social, educational, residential and vocational opportunities. Ranch Camp is offered every summer.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 18 +

Cost: \$900, will accept contracted respite rates

Location: 20250 FM 619 Elgin TX 78621

Call: (512) 856-0128

Email: camp@downhomeranch.org

Website: <http://www.downhomeranch.org>

Dream a Dream (DAD) Therapeutic Horsemanship Camp

A 501(c)(3) non-profit dedicated to providing horse-based therapies (therapeutic horseback riding, equine-facilitated learning and behavioral social skills) to children, teens and young adults with developmental disabilities (with a special emphasis in Autism) in the greater Austin area.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 6-22

Cost: varies

Location: 23650 Round Mountain Cir, Leander, TX 78641

Call: (512) 260-5957

Email: info@dadth.org

Website: <http://www.dadth.org/>

Dream of Hopes Ranch

Camp Eagle Hawk is a day program for adolescents and adults with special needs for 10 weeks in June, July, and August. Space is limited. Completed application accepted on a first come first serve basis.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 14 years and up

Cost: \$220.00 per week; \$25 per week non-refundable deposit to ensure reservation

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday; 8-6:00 pm

Location: 16250 Oak Grove Road, Buda, TX 78610

Call: (512) 791-0160 (Laura Stock)

E-mail: hockeymom4123@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.dreamofhopesranch.org/>

Exceptional Georgetown Alliance

In cooperation with the Exceptional Georgetown Alliance, Georgetown Parks and Recreation offers Adaptive Summer Camp Sessions and Swimming with Park Pals for GISD students. This therapeutic summer camp program is open to Georgetown ISD school aged students with cognitive and developmental disabilities. Scholarships are available for children and young adults who may be economically disadvantaged. Camps run in early summer. Space is limited. Register through Georgetown Parks and Recreation in late March.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: Elementary-Secondary

Cost: \$135 Resident/\$170 Non-Resident per week

Days/Hours: M-TH, 8 am-2 pm

Location: Various locations in Georgetown, TX

Call: (512) 930-3595

Email: exceptionalgeorgetown@gmail.com; traci.stengle@georgetown.org

Website: <http://www.exceptionalgeorgetown.org/>

Extend-A-Care for Kids

Extend-A-Care for Kids' Summer Day Camp includes weekly off-site field trips, off-site swim trips, sports (basketball, soccer, baseball, flag football), literacy projects, arts & crafts, cooking, painting, STEM challenges, Maker Space, and multiple club opportunities! Group setting with 1:17-1:12 ratio. Individual assessments will be required to complete enrollment for any individuals with disabilities.

Languages Spoken: English and sometimes has Spanish speaking staff

Ages: 5*-12; *call for more information for programs serving 6 weeks- 4-years old

Cost: \$190 per week; financial assistance available for those that qualify; sliding fee scale

Days/Hours: 7:15 am-6:30 pm; One-week sessions

Location: 8-10 summer camp locations; Business Office: 55 N. IH 35, Austin, TX 78702

Call: (512) 472-9402

Email: help@eackids.org

Website: <http://www.eackids.org/>

Fantastic Magic Camp

The Fantastic Magic Camp features year-round day camps for all children, including those with special needs. Expect “a multi-sensory learning experience combining the fun of magic, puppets and juggling to boost the self-confidence of every participant and make them feel like a star!”

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 5-12

Cost: \$295 for one-week session, \$590 for two-week session; scholarships available

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday, 8-3 pm; optional time available from 3-6 pm

Location: Journey IFC, 7500 Woodrow Ave., Austin, TX 78757

Call: (512) 850-4677

Email: peter@magiccamp.com

Website: <https://magiccamp.com/>

First Leap Pediatric Therapy

Offers 3 social skills groups on Saturdays in addition to ABA therapy throughout the week. Children with autism spectrum disorder (ASD), social communication disorder, social anxiety, or any other developmental delay are welcome.

Languages Spoken: English

Cost: Accepts Insurance

Location: 2 Austin locations and 1 Georgetown location

Call: (512) 887-2126

Email: office@first-leap.com

Website: <http://first-leap.com/>

From the Heart Therapy Camps

Occupational and Speech Therapy clinic that provides Spring break, summer, and holiday camps, respite/date night, social skills groups, and much more. These additional programs are designed to enhance supplementary therapy by working on fine motor skills, handwriting, gross motor skills and social interaction skills, and can also include various fitness activities. Camps are offered to children who participate in the therapy program at FTH Therapy Services.

Languages Spoken: English

Cost: \$130-\$195/week

Location: 4613 Bee Cave Road Ste. # 202. Austin, TX 78746

Call: (512) 306-1707

Email: fromtheheart@fthts.com

Website: <https://www.fthts.com/>

Healing with Horses Ranch

A 501(c)(3) therapeutic riding center that provides safe, affordable, Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies (EAAT) to promote healing and independence. Our programs serve at-risk youth, veterans, and individuals with physical, cognitive or emotional challenges.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: all ages

Cost: \$72/1.5 hrs/1 time per week

Location: 10014 FM 973, Manor, TX 78653

Call: (512) 964-0360

Email: healingwithhorse@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.healingwithhorsesranch.org/>

Hearts Therapeutic Riding Program

New and popular Health and Fitness Horse Riding Camp. In this active camp, campers learn horsemanship, riding, teamwork and healthy living. PATH instructors provide a safe and fun experience.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish available upon request

Ages: 8 and up

Cost: Free scholarship for those on the autism spectrum. \$250 private pay

Days/Hours: **Spring break camp, March 18th to the 22nd; Summer Camps in June and July 2018**

Location: 17000 Trails End Cove, Leander TX (3 miles outside of Cedar Park)

Call: (760) 580-9948, Jessica

Email: lisarivers302@gmail.com or jessnatx@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.horseserct.org/>

Hideout Theatre

The Hideout Theatre is committed to growing special needs programming, with classes offered to neurodivergent youth with autism and young adults (and those with compatible needs). Special needs programming with customized class settings and instruction to specific groups. Improv classes are an excellent forum for all youth to gain confidence, build social skills, practice life skills, and have fun.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 9+ (with classes divided by age range)

Cost: \$310/semester; scholarships, discounts, and payment plans are available

Days/Hours: 13-15 sessions tailored for neurodivergent youth; Saturdays in the fall and spring

Location: 617 Congress Ave., Austin, TX 78701

Call: (512) 443-3688

Email: lacy@hideouttheatre.com (Lacy Shawn)

Website: www.specialneedsimprov.com

Johnson Center

Offers various camps and programs throughout the year including Sibcamps for various ages, Social Skills Programs, and Support Groups.

Languages Spoken: English, Spanish interpreters available

Ages: 4-21

Cost: Varies (Grants and scholarships available)

Location: 1700 Rio Grande Street, Austin, TX 78701

Call: (512) 732-8400

Email: info@johnson-center.org

Website: <http://www.johnson-center.org>

Joshua's Stage -The Creative Outlet Method™

Enrichment program for individuals with special needs including camps, after-school programs, workshops, performances, and exhibits in theatre arts, dance, music, arts and crafts, photography, and Create-A-Story.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 3-18 and Adults

Cost: Varies; Sibling discounts; financial assistance including scholarships and tuition assistance may be available

Location: Various

Call: (512) 825-2744

Email: joshua.levy@joshuasstage.org

Website: <https://joshuasstage.org/>

kidsActing Studio

Classes, camps and Fun! Supporting students who love to sing, dance, act, learn stage combat, play theatre games, and have a blast with crafts and the performing arts. Major productions throughout the year.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 3-18

Cost: varies; discounts offered

Location: various locations

Call: (512) 836-5437

Email: info@kidsActingStudio.com

Website: <https://www.kidsactingstudio.com/>

KidVentures Therapy Services

Provides a variety of single-day and week-long therapeutic camp options which help children with their play and social interaction with peers. Various camps available include themed Spring Break and Summer Camps, Feeding Camps,

Handwriting Camps, Bike Riding Camps and more. All camps are led by Occupational Therapists, Speech Therapists, and Therapy Techs. Specific areas to be addressed include: social/pragmatic skills, motor skills, arousal level/self-regulation, sensory processing and speech- language.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2-18

Cost: \$70 a day or \$240-\$425 per week

Location: 5524 Bee Caves Road, Building L, Austin, TX 78746

Call: (512) 327-4499

Email: frontdesk@kidventurestherapy.com

Website: <http://kidventurestherapy.com/services-specialties/camps-and-groups/>

Learning Fun 101

The mission of Learning Fun 101 is to provide a fun interactive learning experience that improves students' aptitudes in Science, Technology, Engineering, the Arts, and Math (STEAM). Year round program offers Engineering, Programming and Robotics using LEGO® WeDo Robotics Systems (LEGO® Education's award-winning construction kit and software designed for kids ages 4 to 7) and the LEGO® MINDSTORM® NXT and EV3 construction kits for kids ages 8 and up.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: K-7th grade

Cost: varies by session

Location: Multiple Locations

Call: 512-740-3024

Website: <http://www.learningfun101.com/>

McBeth Recreation Center

Facilities include a large meeting room, 2 activity rooms, ceramics room, kitchen/craft room, game room, exercise room, outdoor picnic areas, accessible playscape and sand play area. This fully accessible facility offers adapted recreation programs throughout the year. Ratios vary from 1:4 to 1:15 depending on type of program and special needs of participants. For the more athletic participants, McBeth offers adapted sports programs in tennis, swimming, cycling, basketball, rowing, dance and more. Pre- registration is required; limited space. Full day's camps are offered. Participants should be able to manage personal care with minimal assistance and be safe in group atmosphere. Accepts 3rd party billing.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 5-22

Cost: \$25-\$294; Scholarships may be available

Location: Zilker Park, 2401-A Columbus Dr., Austin, TX 78746

Call: (512) 974-9011

Website: <http://www.austintexas.gov/McBeth>

Miracle League at Town & Country

Provides opportunities for all children to play baseball regardless of their ability. Players paired with a buddy.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-19

Cost: Free

Location: Games are played at the Town & Country Optimist Sports Complex located in northwest Austin, or at The Round Rock Express Miracle Field, a state-of-the-art field especially designed and constructed for children with special needs.

Call: (512) 335-7434

Email: traceyb1@sbcglobal.net

Website: <http://www.austinmiracleleague.org/>

National Elite Gymnastics (NEG)

Preschool Day Camp and Sports Camp. Activities include gymnastics, academics, recreational games, story time, outdoor play, art, rock wall ninja warrior course and swimming for older children. Child brings own lunch and NEG provides snack. No make-ups or refunds for missed days. Can accommodate children with special needs but call to make sure your child is a good fit for the camp.

Languages Spoke: English

Ages: 3-12 years old (Children must be potty trained)

Cost: \$30 registration fee; \$160/week (Preschool); 10% discount for siblings; prices for Sports Camp varies by week

Days/Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 am-1:30 pm (Preschool Camp)

Monday - Friday 7:30 am-6:30 pm (Sports Camp)

Location: 7632 Hwy. 71 West, Austin, TX 78735

Call: (512) 288-9722

Email: neg-usa@outlook.com; negadvertising@outlook.com

Website: <http://www.neg-usa.com/>

The North Austin Optimist Champions Baseball League

We are a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing out the best in children, in our community, and out of ourselves. Champions baseball league is for children with mental or physical disabilities.

Language spoken: English, Spanish

Ages: 6-18

Cost: Free

Days/Hours: 30-minute practice followed by a 1-hour game on Sunday afternoons

Location: The North Austin Optimist (NAO), 1105 Morrow Street Austin, TX 78757

Call: (512)-848-2035 Knowl Richardson

Email: northaustinoptimist@gmail.com

Website: www.naopt.com

Odyssey School-Camp Odyssey

Odyssey Summer Camp is designed to be a bridge between school years, making the summer a chance to continue academic growth rather than a time to fall behind. Camp Odyssey features one-week half-day mini-camps that will focus on creative explorations and academic investigations.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: For middle and high school students

Location: 4407 Red River, Austin, TX 78751

Call: (512) 472-2262

Email: info@odysseyschool.com

Website: <http://odysseyschool.com/>

Red Arena-Equine Assisted Therapy

Inclusive Summer Horse Camp for riders of all ability levels. Includes group trail rides, hands on horse care, gross motor games, fine motor crafts. Also offers equine assisted therapies, therapeutic riding lessons, and more.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2+

Cost: Fees vary

Days/Hours: Camp sessions run Mon.-Fri., 8 am-1 pm for ages 5 – 12

Location: 1601 Bell Springs Road, Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Call: (512) 807-6505

Email: info@REDarena.org

Website: <http://www.redarena.org/>

R.O.C.K., Ride on Center for Kids

Provides equine-assisted therapies and activities to children, adults and veterans with physical, cognitive and emotional disabilities. R.O.C.K. clients see improvement in most aspects of their life; from muscle tone, strength, flexibility, and balance to cognitive, behavioral and emotional improvements. R.O.C.K.'s mission is to improve independence and life skills in partnership with the horse. There are various programs offered throughout the year. Space is limited and available on a first come first served basis.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2-88

Cost: see website

Location: 2050 Rockride Lane (formerly CR 110), Georgetown, TX 78626

Call: (512) 930-7625

Email: kristinw@rockride.org

Website: <http://rockride.org/>

Round Rock Parks and Recreation-Adaptive Camp-Youth & Teen

This program offers daily activities for individuals with disabilities including sports, drama, cooking, crafts and theme based field trips. Youth Camp ratio is 1:4. Teen Camp ratio is 1:5. Campers must be able to self-manage behavior and function within this ratio.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 5 – 12 (Youth Camp) and 13 - 21 (Teen Camp)

Hours: 7 am - 6 pm

Cost: \$160/session

Location: 1600 Gattis School Road, Round Rock, TX 78664

Call: (512) 218-3220

Email: swoessner@roundrocktexas.gov

Website: <https://www.roundrocktexas.gov/departments/parks-and-recreation/recreation/air/>

Sammy's House

Sammy's House is a nonprofit organization that provides services for children who are medically fragile and/ or developmentally delayed in a nurturing, inclusive environment. Our mission and goal are to help children and families thrive by giving children the opportunities they need to reach their highest potential through therapy support, curriculum-based instruction, and childcare services. Summer camp is provided for children and teens with special needs and their friends. Camp runs in 3 separate terms, each with its own fun theme. Space is limited.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 6-11 for children, 12-18 for teens

Cost: Varies by term

Location: 2415 Twin Oaks Drive, Austin, TX 78757

Call: (512) 453-5258

Email: info@sammyshouse.org

Website: <http://sammyshouse.org/>

SeaWorld San Antonio Education Camps

Campers at SeaWorld Camp become immersed into the world of dolphins, sea lions, sharks and penguins. Campers learn about animals, care, ecology and conservation through age-appropriate activities and interactions with SeaWorld animals. Single day and week-long day camps are available for ages 2-13 and overnight camps range 1-2 weeks for campers entering 5th grade – college (age 25).

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2-25 (parent may need to attend depending on age)

Cost: Varies with camps

Location: 10500 Sea World Drive, San Antonio, TX 78251

Call: (210) 523-3608-Educational Programs

Email: SWTResidentCamps@SeaWorld.com or SWTDayCamps@SeaWorld.com

Website: <https://seaworld.com/san-antonio/educational-programs/>

Snapology Austin

Snapology Austin summer camps provide a fun and safe environment for children to learn math, science, technology, engineering, art and literacy concepts using LEGO® bricks and other building tools. We offer Scratch programming, robotics, animation, and STEM based programs where campers incorporate Star Wars®, Minecraft®, Disney®, and other themed favorites. Limited to 20 children with a 10:1 ratio. Snapology Austin instructors are experienced teachers in Austin area schools. Children of all abilities are welcome to participate.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-12

Cost: \$100 deposit per camp at the time of enrollment which is applied to your tuition; \$250 - 500 per week

Days/Hours: Snapology Austin Discovery Center (8:30-3:00 with the option to add care until 5pm); Satellite Locations- Morning (8:30 AM - 12:30 pm) afternoon sessions (1-5 pm)

Location: Multiple locations

Call: (512) 368-9090

Email: austin@snapology.com

Website: <https://austin.snapology.com/camps/>

South Austin Karate

After school programs (includes holidays) and summer camp. In addition to Martial Arts training, the participants will go on field trips, movies, and more. Call to make sure they can accommodate your child; SAK believes in an inclusive model when working with individuals with disabilities.

Ages: 5+

Hours: 7:00 am-6:00 pm

Languages Spoken: English (ask about ASL interpretation)

Cost: \$310/month for after school program; Daily, weekly, monthly rates for camps; \$50 registration fee extra

Location: 10203 Old Manchaca Rd., Austin, TX 78748

Call: (512) 280-0611

Email: sak@austin.rr.com

Website: <http://www.southaustinkarate.com/>

Spark Learning

Welcoming campers with ASD, ADHD, language delays, other related challenges, and their typically developing siblings and friends. ABA therapists will meet the social, language, behavioral and developmental needs of all campers in a low ratio, inclusive therapeutic environment. Campers are carefully matched by age, language, play, and social skills.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-15

Cost: Call; insurance coverage may be available

Days/Hours: M-Thursday, 9-1:00 pm

Location: 2517 Enfield, Austin, TX 78703

Call: (512) 900-1425

Email: kristen@spark-learning.com

Website: <http://www.spark-learning.com/>

Texas Rowing for All

Provides adaptive rowing and paddling recreation for people with physical, sensory, and intellectual disabilities. Camp Kayak offers an opportunity to learn how to kayak, canoe, stand up paddle board, and other adventures on and around Lady Bird Lake. TRFA also provides Rowing Camps where each camper will learn all about the sport of rowing using our rowing barge, adaptive rowing shells, and various sized rowing shells.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 8 and up

Cost: \$225/week; TRFA offers sliding-fee pricing based on ability to pay

Days/Hours: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Location: The Texas Rowing Center 1541 W. Cesar Chavez, Austin, TX 78703

Contact: tony@texasrowingcenter.com (Tony Kuhn)

Website: <http://www.texasrowingforall.org/>

Texas School for the Deaf-Summer Camps & Programs for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

The Educational Resource Center on Deafness (ERCOD) at Texas School for the Deaf (TSD) is proud to offer many specialized summer camps & programs for preschoolers to young adults who are deaf and hard of hearing in Texas during the summer of 2019, with a focus on each participant's particular interests. Prior knowledge of sign language is not required to join the fun and unique language-rich experience. Visit our website to register!

Languages: American Sign Language and English

Ages: 3 through age 22

Location: 1102 S. Congress Avenue, Austin, TX 78704

Call: (512) 462-5329 or (512) 410-1174 (VP)

Email: ercod@TSD.state.tx.us

Website: www.texasdeafed.org/sp

Texas School for the Deaf-Family Weekend Retreat (FWR)

Annual summer event in Austin for Texas families with deaf/hard-of-hearing children. The weekend includes adult workshops, activities for children and siblings, as well as opportunities to meet deaf/hard-of-hearing adults. Registration opens Feb. 1, 2019 and space is limited.

Ages: Childcare for ages 6 months - 18 years

Location: 1102 S. Congress Avenue, Austin, TX 78704

Call: (512) 462-5738 or 512-982-1646 (VP)

Email: fwr@tsd.state.tx.us

Website: www.texasdeafed.org/fwr

Texas State University: Autism Camp

This camp is designed to provide children with Autism Spectrum Disorder access to quality summer camp experiences to improve their social, language, communication, and motor skills. Each camp session is limited to 15 children with a 1:1 ratio. There are four sessions available in the summer, starting July 8.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 5-12

Cost: \$110 per session; discounts are available for more than 2 sessions; a limited number of need-based scholarships are available.

Days/Hours: 9 am to 1 pm, Monday-Thursday

Location: San Marcos and possibly other locations

Call: (512) 245-8259 (Dr. Ting Liu)

Email: tingliu@txstate.edu

Website: <https://www.hhp.txstate.edu/Collaboration---Outreach/Camps/Autism-Camp.html>

The Arc of the Capital Area Courses

Fine arts, independent living, gardening, health and wellness and many other programs are offered by The Arc of the Capital Area. Clients have the choice of programs to explore that excite them while increasing their independence and social skills. Experienced instructors provide structured classes for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) and community members.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 16+

Cost: \$108.33+ depending on program

Location: 4902 Grover Ave., Austin, TX 78756

Call: (512) 476-7044

Email: anelson@arcustin.org

Website: <https://www.arcaustin.org/>

The Dog Alliance (formerly Austin Dog Alliance)

Summer camps for students who love dogs. Campers ages 9 and older bring their own dog to camp with them. If their own dog is not suitable, campers can borrow a trained dog for the week. Our goal is to accommodate the varying abilities of students whenever possible. Please contact us to discuss.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 5 - 15

Cost: \$175 - \$285

Days/Hours: Morning and afternoon sessions, Monday - Thursday

Location: 1321 W. New Hope Drive, Cedar Park, TX 78613

Call: (512) 335-7100

Email: info@TheDogAlliance.org

Website: <https://www.thedogalliance.org/>

Thinkery

Offers camp during spring break and summer. Camps are designed around seven unique STEAM and technology-

focused themes. Campers learn through play, using stimulating science and hands-on activities to explore new concepts, solve challenges, and develop critical learning skills.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: Pre-K - 5th grade

Cost: \$330-\$435; scholarships are available

Location: 4 locations throughout Austin

Call: (512) 469-6201

Email: reservations@thinkeryaustin.org

Website: <https://thinkeryaustin.org/camp/>

VSA Texas

Multiple classes and workshops on digital media, visual media, art, dance, internships, and more. Expert resource on inclusive arts.

Languages Spoken: English

Location: 3710 Cedar Street, Room 128, Austin, TX 78705

Call: (512) 454-9912

Email: info@vsatx.org

Website: <http://www.vsatx.org/>

We Rock the Spectrum Kids

We Rock the Spectrum - Austin is a sensory safe indoor playground for children of ALL abilities. All equipment (including the ZIPLINE!) is therapeutic/OT based and holds adult weight so kids of ALL ages can enjoy! Offering Open Play, Break Time drop off, Arts & Crafts, a Teen Zone, trampoline, climbing structures, a space themed calming room for meltdowns, classes, birthday parties & CAMPS! Camp includes both neurotypical campers as well as those with Special Abilities. Campers are given a daily pep talk on inclusion and acceptance of ALL peers. 1:1 staffing can be provided for campers who need extra assistance.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 3-12

Cost: \$39 half day daily, \$69 full day daily; discounted weekly rates

Days/Hours: AISD Spring, Summer & Holiday Breaks; Sessions are 9am-12pm with post camp until 3pm available

Location: Center of the Hills Shopping Center, 7010 West Highway #71, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78735

Call: (512) 687-4443

Email: info@werockthespectrumbaustin.com

Website: <http://www.werockthespectrumbaustin.com/>

Westlake Youth Soccer Association-TOPSOCCER PROGRAM

Provides recreational soccer opportunities for school-aged children with special needs who would ordinarily be excluded from competitive play. Westlake Soccer believes in making soccer available to any player who is interested in the game, and no child with special needs will be turned away. This is not a competitive program. Each player is assigned a "buddy" and the "buddies" learn along with the players. Volunteer recruitment year-round for buddies.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 4-young adult

Cost: Free

Days/Hours: 6 weeks in spring and fall; 2-3 pm on Sundays

Location: Cedar Creek Elementary School, 3301 Pinnacle Rd., Austin, TX 78746

Email: westlaketopsoccer@gmail.com

Website: <http://www.westlakesoccer.com/tops/>

William's Community School

William's Community School offers full and part-time inclusive summer camp as well as providing alternative education. Summer camp is offered for 10 weeks. Therapy services of Speech, Occupational and Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) therapy are offered as well. Services designed to adapt to communication and behavioral challenges for children who need additional support in these areas.

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: Pre-K-22

Cost: vary based on therapies and behavioral support

Location: 5209 Duval Road, Austin, TX 78727

Call: (512) 250-5700

Email: deanna@williamscommunityschool.org

Website: <http://williamscommunityschool.org/>

YMCA of Austin Summer Day Camps

YMCA of Austin Summer Camp offers children & teens, ages 4-14, a safe, exciting, and memorable day camp experience. At YMCA day camps, kids can build self-confidence, independence, and creativity, and parents have peace of mind knowing your kids are in a safe and enriching place. Each week, campers will enjoy changing weekly themes, sports, and adventures as well as weekly field trips and twice-weekly trips to the pool. Weekly discounts available with Y Membership. Registration opens in February. Registration available in English and Spanish.

Ages: 4-14

Cost: Varies; financial assistance available

Days/Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Location: Locations throughout the Greater Austin area

Email: ProgramServices@austinyymca.org

Website: www.austinyymca.org/programs/summer-day-camp

YMCA Special Needs Adaptive Programs (SNAP)

A community-based program for persons with a variety of abilities and needs. SNAP creates opportunities to learn and build self-confidence by giving participants the attention, energy and encouragement they need to succeed. SNAP focuses on fun, fitness and independence in a supportive, non-competitive environment. Aquatics, Dance, Fitness, Gymnastics, & Paralympic Experiences provided. The team of CPATH Texas and the Southwest Family YMCA provide parents and guardians with a FREE afternoon of care for children ages 4-21 with cerebral palsy or similar neuro-motor diagnoses. Occupational/physical therapists and volunteer buddies on hand to assist with this fun filled afternoon!

Languages Spoken: English

Ages: 2-adulthood (varies with activity)

Cost: Varies

Days/Hours: Varies

Location: Southwest YMCA, 6219 Oak Claire Dr., Austin, TX 78735

Email: kredman@austinyymca.org (Kimberly Redman)

Website: <https://www.austinyymca.org/special-needs> or <https://ymcagwc.org/> (Williamson County)