



Essential Eligibility Criteria

The Lake County Forest Preserves Summer Camp programs provide a short-term educational experience. At camp, we evaluate the needs of each camper to promote success and a positive camp experience. Disclosure of special needs will not bar participation. Please let us know when you register if your child is developmentally, emotionally, or physically challenged, or requires some other type of special assistance, call 847-968-3321. All activities are open to all individuals who meet the following essential eligibility requirements (by themselves or with a personal assistant provided by the participant and with no cost to the District):

Behavior Requirements

Children are expected to display appropriate behavior at all times. To assure the maximum enjoyment of the program by all participants, please review the following guidelines with your child. Your child is expected to:

- Show respect to all participants, staff, and nature.
- Be pleasant to others and refrain from using foul language.
- Refrain from causing harm to self, other participants, and staff.
- Able to exhibit appropriate group behavior (doesn't disrupt the flow of teaching/learning) with minimal verbal prompts (no more than two prompts per hour).
- Use equipment, supplies, and facilities properly.
- Always wear shoes.
- Stay with the group.

Personal Needs

- With verbal prompts, is able to self-medicate independently or with a personal assistant.
- Is able to manage all personal hygiene on their own or with a personal assistant.

Motor Needs

- Is able to ambulate on own or with a mechanical device.
- Is able to perform gross motor functions with verbal prompts (Five or fewer per project).
- Is able to perform fine motor functions with minimum manual guidance or less.

Adventure in Nature

- Is able to get in and out of a kayak and/or canoe independently.
- Is able to float on back independently with a properly fitted PFD.
- Is able to turn from face-down to face-up position in water independently while wearing a properly fitted PFD and holding breath while under water.
- Is able to maintain a balanced, upright position when seated in a kayak and/or canoe.
- Is able to maintain a balanced, upright position when seated on a horse and/or a bicycle.
- Is willing to wear all safety equipment correctly such as, but not limited to; horse-back riding helmet, bicycle helmet, and personal floatation device.

Aide Requirements

- Must have 2 year college experience or 1 year aide experience.
- Must be at least 18 years of age.