

Dear Families,

Summer camp is just around the corner. The Medina County Board of Developmental Disabilities (MCBDD) believes that children should have the chance to learn, grow, develop friendships, and gain confidence through the experience of summer camp. This is why we are happy to provide “camperships” for families to use for their child to attend the summer camp of their choice. You choose the camp that best meets your child’s needs; we help by providing financial support for your child to attend.

### **The Basics**

Camperships are available to children who ...

- are ages 4 to 22 (*Children must turn 4 by June 1, 2019.*)
- live in Medina County
- are eligible for County Board services
- are enrolled in a school program (*Students ages 18-22 years old must still be enrolled in a school program for Fall of 2019. Students graduating in 2019 and before are not eligible.*)

Camperships are up to \$300 each with a limit of one (1) per child.

- They must be used for **summer programs only. Camperships must be used by August 10, 2019.**
- **Campership applications will be taken until April 1, 2019.**
- There are a limited number of camperships available and they are awarded on a first come, first served basis.
- If your child has a waiver, s/he will use the waiver as appropriate for summer services instead of a campership. Contact your SSA for more information.

### **Getting Started**

To apply, complete the enclosed application and mail to: **MCBDD Children’s Services**, 4691 Windfall Rd, Medina, OH 44256.

### **Using Camperships**

Provide your MCBDD letter of campership confirmation to the camp program you would like to attend and ask them to contact MCBDD Business Office Clerk, at 330-725-7751 ext. 302, to obtain invoicing and campership payment instructions.

### **Choosing a Camp**

You may choose any summer camp you feel meets your child’s needs. Whether it’s a traditional camp or one that tailors its program to individuals with special needs, the choice is yours.

### **Additional Help**

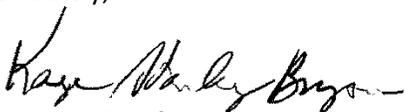
In addition to camperships, you may also be able to use Family Support Services (FSS) funds you have available to attend camp programs or help with camp transportation. If campership and FSS funding is to be used for camp, campership funding will be applied first then the FSS co-pay (if applicable) will be deducted with the remaining balance coming out of the FSS funds (up to allotment amount).

### **Transportation**

Because you have the choice of camp your child will be attending, providing or arranging for transportation to and from summer camp is your responsibility.

We are looking forward to helping your child have a great camp experience this summer. We appreciate your continued support as we work together to make sure children with developmental disabilities have the opportunities they need to succeed in our community.

Sincerely,



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