

CAMP G.R.A.C.E.: APPLICATION PROCESS EXPLAINED

Camp G.R.A.C.E. is a day camp designed for children with Pervasive Developmental Disorders (PDD), Autism Spectrum Disorder and other special needs. Due to high demand, space available is extremely limited. We are proud to provide Camp G.R.A.C.E. and regret not being able to serve all campers and families currently interested in this program.

THE APPLICATION

Camp G.R.A.C.E. is an application-based program because we want to ensure that we are able to place each camper into the appropriate group and ensure that our staff are equipped to meet each child's unique special needs for care safely. Once completed, directors review applications and determine program eligibility based on space available and the support needs of the camper. Applications are reviewed on a first come/first served basis.

RETURNING FAMILIES & RETENTION

The application becomes available to returning families beginning on or around January 1. Because of previous Camp G.R.A.C.E. experience and the relationships returning families have built with their camp communities, returning families receive this advance access. Once completed and reviewed by the director, families receive their registration link and are asked to complete their registration within 72 hours. By the time all returning families have registered, the remaining spots available are extremely limited. We usually have fewer than 5-8 spaces available each week by March 1.

NEW FAMILIES

The application is posted on our website on or around March 1 for new families to apply. Again, by March 1, we typically have fewer than 5-8 spots remaining each week. Applications are reviewed on a first come/first served basis. We receive anywhere between 40-75 applications on the first day alone. It is not uncommon for us to remove the application link from the website at the end of the day on March 1. If your camper is offered a space at Camp G.R.A.C.E., a director will provide the link to register and ask that you complete your registration within 24-72 hours. If registration is not completed during that time, your spot at camp may be offered to another family.

WAITLISTING

Once applications and registrations have closed and there is no more space available at a Camp G.R.A.C.E. location, the director of that location will reach out to inform you that your camper has unfortunately not been accepted to attend Camp G.R.A.C.E. at that location; however, may also provide a link to join the waitlist. Getting off the waitlist is not guaranteed!