

ST. FRANCIS CAMP ON THE LAKE
10120 MURREY ROAD
JEROME, MICHIGAN 49249

Welcome All !!!

St. Francis Camp provides a personalized summer camp experience for Developmentally Disabled children and adults. Careful consideration is given to placement of each camper with the most suitable groups and activities. Age appropriateness is strongly upheld for all our campers throughout the week. Individualized attention will be used in all special medical and dietary needs.

St. Francis Camp's 36 acre site includes rustic woods, developed nature trails, and 19 acres of beautiful waterfront on the shores of Goose Lake. Campers are housed in 2 old-fashioned cedar lodges, fully equipped with modern bathrooms, kitchen, and living facilities.

An enthusiastic core staff of Director, Nurse, Water-front and Recreational Specialists, Cook, and counselors serve St. Francis Camp throughout the summer. These staff include college graduates and students in the fields of Recreation, Social Work, Special Education, and other related fields of interest and training with the developmentally disabled. Camp staff dedicate their summers to ensure the best care for all of St. Francis Camp's Special Campers.

The main objectives of camp are met through careful planning of sessions. By modifying activities to meet the campers' needs, skills, and ages, we hope to achieve overall success. Campers are encouraged to partake in a wide array of activities which include: Boating; Arts & Crafts; Fishing; Hiking; Sing-a-Longs; Aquatic Games; Petting Farm; Dances; Camp Fires; Volleyball; Basketball; plus much, much more! Each activity is taught with the hands-on approach, allowing for a heightened awareness of all senses. This stimulation helps accelerate learning and makes it FUN!

St. Francis Camp maintains a 3 to 1 campers/staff ratio in most instances. The core needs of some campers will require special attention, for which an additional charge will be made. Parents/ Providers of these campers will be so informed upon confirmation of registration. Camp is limited in size, only 35 campers per session. This small group assures individual attention throughout each camper's stay. **Camp sessions run Sunday 3 pm through Friday 11 am. Adherence to these times for dropping campers off and picking campers up must be strictly observed to allow for maximum staff availability.**

The cost per camper per session is \$450.00. Additionally, any costs for property damaged due to malicious intent to destroy by any camper will be charged to the camper/camper's parents/guardian. There is a requirement for a 50% deposit to reserve a camp week. Any reservation not accompanied with a 50% deposit by May 15th will not guarantee your reservation. Camp fees paid in full by April 15th will result in a reduction of \$25.00 per week. Any camp fees not paid in full by the end of the camp week may result in additional fees being assessed.

Parents, family and friends arriving early on Friday morning will have the opportunity for a discussion with staff concerning the accomplishments of their camper during the camp week. Visits beyond Friday morning are discouraged since they disrupt campers and daily activities.. We suggest cheerful letters to keep in touch with campers during their stay.

Thank You!

St. Francis Camp Staff