



Helping Children Grieve and Heal

What is Camp Erin?

Camp Erin is a weekend-long, overnight camp designed for children and teens ages 6 to 17 who are grieving the death of someone close to them. It is a traditional, fun, high-energy camp combined with grief education and emotional support. **Registration is currently open for this year's camp which will be held Friday, August 14 – Sunday, August 16, 2015.** Registration forms are available on the Camp Erin web page ([www.providence.org\CampErin](http://www.providence.org/CampErin)) or by [clicking here](#).

How Camp Erin helps

Campers learn they are not alone in their grief. Being a grieving child can be a lonely experience. Camp Erin is a place where children and teens can bond with peers who are experiencing similar feelings and emotions. It is a relief for them to know they are not alone.

Campers learn their feelings are normal. The feelings that accompany grief can be confusing and overwhelming. Camp Erin is a safe place for children and teens to express and better understand difficult feelings.

Campers remember and honor their loved ones. Through grief support, rituals, and expressive art activities, children and teens have an opportunity to explore their feelings while remembering the people who died.

Support and fun at Camp Erin

Grief professionals and specially trained volunteers work together to create a caring environment that is fun as well as supportive. Camp activities include swimming, crafts, fishing, archery, games, music, campfires and more.

For more information about Camp Erin, please visit www.providence.org/camperin or contact the Camp Erin Coordinator, Christi Crowley, at CampErinPortland@providence.org, (503) 215-4622.

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