



Camp Kesem is looking for passionate, energetic and dedicated college student leaders!

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Camp Kesem is a nationwide community, driven by passionate college student leaders, that supports children through and beyond their parent's cancer. We operate over 70 free summer camps around the country – all run by incredible college student volunteers. **And we're getting ready to grow!**



*A child's friend through and beyond a parent's cancer™*

In 2015, Camp Kesem provided FREE summer camping experiences for over 5,000 children. Along the way – and as a result of year-long training provided by Kesem's national team – our student leaders develop incredible leadership skills that transfer into their professional careers.

### BE A PART OF KESEM'S MAGIC!

+95% of our student leaders report that their Kesem experience and training had significant impact on their teamwork, initiative taking, accountability, problem solving, professional relationship building, time management, public speaking and communication skills.



Camp Kesem is a program offered by Kesem, a nationwide non-profit organization that supports children touched by a parent's cancer.

*"Working to build Camp Kesem Stony Brook was without a doubt one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of both my undergraduate career and my life thus far. I worked countless hours with some of the most selfless, compassionate, and empathic individuals I have ever had the privilege of knowing. But after we had together built a foundation, 52 campers helped construct the incredible home our family would come to call Camp Kesem Stony Brook. In our second year we opened our arms to 84 campers and to this day I remember the smiles, the laughs, and the tears as we accepted each other with unconditional love."*

– Jamie "Bear" Leonard  
Camp Kesem at Stony Brook University  
(Founded Fall 2013)

*"Founding Camp Kesem MIT changed my life personally and professionally. Over the past nine years, I have worked with families dealing with all stages and types of cancer and formed lasting relationships with campers, student leaders, and alumni. Along the way, I have gained practical experience in writing grants, establishing community partnerships, recruiting and interviewing peers, and planning large-scale activities. These skills have translated to my post-graduate life as a public health and bioethics researcher and Kesem Alumni Leadership Board member."*

– Caroline "Congo" Huang  
Camp Kesem at MIT  
(Founded Fall 2006)

**QUESTIONS?**  
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## ANNOUNCING!



### WHAT IS THE KESEM CHAPTER EXPANSION CAMPAIGN?

The Kesem Chapter Expansion Campaign will allow the public – through online voting – the opportunity to help us select the next group of Camp Kesem chapters which will be announced in February 2016!

### HOW DOES THE EXPANSION CAMPAIGN WORK?

**Until November 30:** Please fill out our "Start a Camp" form here: <http://campkesem.org/startacamp> and begin working on the "New Chapter Requirements" here: <http://ow.ly/TelRJ>

**November 30:** Application due.

**December 15:** Kesem's national staff announces finalists.

**January 2016:** All finalists build support for their chapter with friends and family on social media!

**February 1–5, 2016:** The public will vote daily for their favorite chapters!

**February 10, 2016:** Winning chapters announced!

