At ASK Resource Center, we believe in KIDS, we believe in FUN, and we believe in MAKING THINGS EASIER FOR PARENTS!

Iowa offers so many opportunities for summer fun! With many day and overnight camps available for kids, we want to help make planning for summer a whole lot easier with the help of our 2013 Summer Camp List!

Families with children who have special needs may want to consider sending their child to camp this summer. Children can benefit from the fun and social interaction with other kids, increase their confidence and independence, and parents can get a much needed break.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requires all camps to make reasonable accommodations. This means that mainstream camps may also be on your list of possibilities. It is recommended that you check with the camp of your choice. Families will want to find a camp that fits their needs, philosophy, cost and goals.

A Little Something Just for Parents!

Social Networking is Important for Parents Too!

Check out FIND (Families of Iowa Network for Disabilities) http://findfamilies.org

FIND is a social networking project that empowers families of persons with disabilities by connecting them to one another and allowing them to network with each other.
Day Camps

Blank Park Zoo
www.blankparkzoo.com
7401 SW 9th St., Des Moines
515-285-4722
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Ages 3 - 7th grade

Living History Farms
www.lhf.org
11121 Hickman Rd., Urbandale
515-278-5286
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Grades 3-9

Science Center of Iowa
www.sciowa.org
401 W. M L King Jr. Pkwy, DSM
515-274-6868
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Ages 4 - 8th grade

Summer Art Camp
Octagon Center for the Arts
www.octagonarts.org
427 Douglas Ave, Ames
515-232-5331
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Grades 1-6

My Own New Biz
www.myownnewbiz.com
703 51st St., Des Moines
515-771-5255
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Ages 8-15

Des Moines Playhouse Camp & Classes
www.dmplayhouse.com
831 42nd St., DSM
515-255-3741
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Pre K - 12th grade

Jester Park Equestrian Center
www.jesterparkec.com
11171 NW 103rd Ct., Granger
515-999-2818
• Day Camp
• Coed
• 8 years and older

Sports Plex West
www.sportsplexwest.com
890 SE Olson Dr., Waukee
515-987-0806
• Day Camp
• Coed
• K-6th grade

Triad Kids Camp
Triad Gymnastics
www.triadgymnastics.com
2202 SE Creek view Dr., Ankeny
515-963-0215
• Day Camp
• Coed
• Ages 3-8
2013 Summer Camp List

Day Camps

Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside  
www.ia.easterseals.com  
401 N.E. 66th Ave., DSM  
515-289-1933  
- Day Camp 1st grade - 12 yrs. Old  
- Coed  
- Special Needs - disabilities  
- Overnight Camps - 5 yrs. and up  
- Waiver

Camp Fire  
www.campfireusaia.org  
Des Moines, Ames, Boone  
515-274-1501  
- Day Camp  
- Overnight camp  
- Coed  
- Grades 1-12  
- Special Needs—disabilities

4H Camp  
www.iowa4hcamp.com  
IA 4H Center  
1991 Peach Ave., Madrid  
515-795-3338  
- Day Camp 6-10 yrs. old  
- Coed  
- Overnight camp 7-18 yrs. old

Mayor's Youth Empowerment Program  
www.myep.us  
1060 Crosspark Ave., Iowa City  
319-341-0060  
- Day Camp  
- Half day, full day, extended day  
- Coed  
- Ages 3—21

Sportability of Iowa  
www.sportabilityofiowa.org  
1584 Parview Court NE, Solon  
319-855-8916  
- Day Camp  
- Coed  
- Children & Adults with physical disabilities & visual impairments

Camp Hand in Hand  
www.handinhandqc.org  
1624 W. Front St., Blue Grass  
563-332-8010  
- Day Camp  
- Coed  
- Special Needs - disabilities  
- Waiver

Camp Hope  
www.aspiretrp.org  
Waterloo  
319-296-3096  
- Day Camp  
- Coed  
- Special Needs - disabilities  
- Horses

Presbyterian Camp on Okoboji  
www.presbycamp.org  
1864 Highway 86, Milford  
712-337-3313  
- Day Camp K-5th grade  
- Coed  
- Overnight camp 3rd-12th grade  
- Religious - Presbyterian

Abe Lincoln Camp  
www.ymcacampabelincoln.org  
Blue Grass  
563-381-3053  
- Day Camp Ages 4—12  
- Overnight Camp Ages 6—17  
- Coed  
- Special Needs—Hearing, mental disabilities & special needs
Day Camps

EWALU Camp
www.ewalu.org
37776 Alpha Ave., Strawberry Point
563-933-4700
- Day Camp 1st-6th grade
- Coed
- Overnight camp 3rd-12th grade
- Religious - Lutheran

Lutheran Lakeside Camp
www.lutheranlakeside.com
2491 170th St., Spirit Lake
712-336-2109
- Day Camp
- Coed/boys/girls
- Overnight camp 2nd-12th grade
- Religious - Lutheran

Lake Okoboji UM Camp
www.okobojicamp.com
21413 154th St. Place, Spirit Lake
866-856-9862/712-336-2936
- Day Camp 4-6 yrs. old
- Coed
- Overnight camp 6yrs. to adult
- Religious - Methodist

Engman Camp Shalom
www.jewishdesmoines.org
Des Moines
515-277-5566
- Day Camp
- Coed
- K - High School
- Religious - Jewish

Iowa Hands and Voices
www.iowahandsandvoices.org
Camp is in Boone
515-988-8512 - Vicki
- Day Camp
- Overnight Camp
- Coed
- Special Needs - Deaf or hard of hearing

Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp
www.riversidelbc.org
3001 Riverside Rd., Story City
515-733-5271/800-372-7748
- Day Camp 1st-6th grade
- Coed
- Overnight camp 3rd-12th grade
- Religious - Lutheran

Baseball Camp
www.grandslamusadm.com
Grand Slam, Des Moines
515-278-1070
- Day Camp
- Coed
- 7 - 12 years old
- Athletic camp

Boy Scout Camp
Central IA  www-bsa-ia.org
Eastern IA  www.hawkeyebsa.org
NE IA  www.scoutsiowa.com
N Central IA  www.winnebagobsa.org
1-800-999-SCOUT
- Day Camp
- Boys only
- Overnight camp

Camp High Hopes
www.camphighhopes.com
5804 Correctionville Road
Sioux City, IA 51106
712-224-CAMP
- Day Camp
- Overnight camp
- 6-18 years old
- Special Needs Camp
**Overnight Camps**

**Camp Fire**  
[www.campfireusaia.org](http://www.campfireusaia.org)  
Des Moines, Ames, Boone  
515-274-1501  
- Overnight Camp  
- 1st – 12th grade  
- Coed  
- Day Camp

**4H Camp**  
[www.iowa4hcamp.com](http://www.iowa4hcamp.com)  
IA 4H Center  
1991 Peach Ave., Madrid  
515-795-3338  
- Overnight Camp  
- 7-18 yr. old  
- Coed  
- Day Camp

**Girl Scout Camp**  
[www.girlscoutsiowa.org](http://www.girlscoutsiowa.org)  
Girl Scouts of Greater Iowa  
1-800-342-8389  
- Overnight Camp  
- Girls only  
- 1st – 12th grade

**Boy Scout Camp**  
Boy Scouts of America  
Central IA: [www.bsa-ia.org](http://www.bsa-ia.org)  
Eastern IA: [www.hawkeyebsa.org](http://www.hawkeyebsa.org)  
NE IA: [www.scoutsiowa.com](http://www.scoutsiowa.com)  
N Central IA: [www.winnebagobsa.org](http://www.winnebagobsa.org)  
1-800-999-SCOUT  
- Overnight Camp  
- Boys only  
- Day Camp

**Iowa Hands and Voices**  
[www.iowahandsandvoices.org](http://www.iowahandsandvoices.org)  
Camp takes place in Boone  
515-988-8512  
- Overnight Camp  
- Day Camp  
- Coed  
- Special Needs—Deaf or hard of hearing

**Iowa School for the Deaf Summer Camp**  
[www.iowaschoolforthedef.org](http://www.iowaschoolforthedef.org)  
3501 Harry Langdon Blvd., Council Bluffs  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Preschool - 12th grade  
- Special Needs - Hearing Impaired

**Camp Courageous**  
[www.campcourageous.org](http://www.campcourageous.org)  
12007 190th St., Monticello  
319-465-5916  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Ages 5 and up  
- Special Needs – Disabilities  
- Waiver

**Camp Albrecht Acres**  
[www.albrechtacres.org](http://www.albrechtacres.org)  
14837 Sherrill Rd., Sherrill  
563-552-1771  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- All ages  
- Special Needs - Disabilities

**Goodwill Industries Wall Street Mission**  
[www.goodwillscia.com/camp-goodwill/overview](http://www.goodwillscia.com/camp-goodwill/overview)  
Sioux City  
712-258-4511  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Ages 7-12
Overnight Camps

**Easter Seals Camp Sunnyside**  
[www.ia.easterseals.com](http://www.ia.easterseals.com)  
401 NE 66th Ave., Des Moines  
515-289-1933  
- Overnight Camp 5 yrs. and up  
- Coed  
- Day Camp 1st grade - 12 yrs. old  
- Teen Camp 13-21 yrs. old  
- Special Needs - Disabilities  
- Waiver

**Amanda the Panda**  
[www.amandathepanda.org](http://www.amandathepanda.org)  
Indianola  
515-223-4847  
- Overnight weekend camp  
- Coed  
- Ages 6-17 & adults  
- Special Needs - Grief

**Camp Quality Heartland**  
[www.campqualityusa.org](http://www.campqualityusa.org)  
Council Bluffs  
712-484-3625  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- All ages  
- Special Needs - Cancer

**Camp Heart Connection**  
[www.childrenscancerconnection.org](http://www.childrenscancerconnection.org)  
Boone  
515-243-6239  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- All ages  
- Special Needs - Cancer

**Camp Reece**  
[www.campreeceia.org](http://www.campreeceia.org)  
Lake Darling, Brighton  
319-330-5192—Jill McNurlen  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Ages 5 and up  
- Special Needs - Disabilities July 23rd- 27th

**Camp Hertkko Hollow**  
[www.camphertkohollow.com](http://www.camphertkohollow.com)  
Boone  
352-750-6759/888-437-8652  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Ages 6 - 18 yrs. old  
- Special Needs - Diabetes

**Wild Wood Ranch**  
[www.wildwoodhillsranch.com](http://www.wildwoodhillsranch.com)  
3000 St. Charles Rd., St. Charles  
641-396-2414  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Ages 8 - 18 yrs. old  
- Special Needs - At risk & disadvantaged

**UNI Adapted Sports Camp**  
[www.uni.edu/camps/](http://www.uni.edu/camps/)  
Cedar Falls  
319-273-6478  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Upper elementary thru high school  
- Special Needs - sports camp for kids in wheelchairs

**Camp Jubilee**  
[www.campjubilee.org](http://www.campjubilee.org)  
Held at Wesley Woods Camp in Indianola  
319-461-6308—Sara Herring  
- Overnight Camp  
- Coed  
- Special Needs— Mild/Moderate Disabilities  
- June 28th—July 2nd
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Overnight Camps

Abe Lincoln Camp
www.ymcacampabelincoln.org
Blue Grass
563-381-3053
• Overnight Camp Ages 6—17
• Day Camp Ages 4—12
• Coed
• Special Needs—Hearing & special needs

Camp Genesis
www.ymcacampabelincoln.org
Blue Grass
563-381-3053
563-326-7504 Gildad Club Quad Cities
• Overnight Camp
• July 8th —13th
• Coed
• Ages 6-16
• Special Free Camp for kids coping with a cancer diagnosis in the family

Military Kid Camp
www.ymcacampabelincoln.org
Blue Grass
563-381-3053
• Overnight Camp
• July 1st—6th
• Coed
• Free camp for kids of military families

Iowa Educational Services for the Blind & Visually Impaired
Previously Iowa Braille School
www.iowa-braille.k12.ia.us
Vinton
319-472-5221/800-645-4579
• Overnight Camp
• Coed
• Ages 6 - 14
• Special Needs - visually impaired

Wesley Woods Camp
www.wesleywoodsiowa.org
Indianola
866-684-7753 x110
• Overnight Camp
• Coed/Boys Only/Girls Only
• Religious - Methodist

Lutheran Lakeside Camp
www.lutheranlakeside.com
2491 170th St., Spirit Lake
712-336-2109
• Overnight Camp 2nd-12th grade
• Coed/Boys Only/Girls Only
• Day Camp
• Religious - Lutheran

Lake Okoboji UM Camp
www.okobojicamp.com
21413 154th St. Place, Spirit Lake
866-856-9862
• Overnight Camp 6 yrs. to Adult
• Coed
• Day Camp 4-6 yrs. old
• Religious - Methodist

Camp Manager
www.camptanager.org
1614 W Mt. Vernon Rd, Mt. Vernon
319-363-0681
• Overnight Camp
• Coed
• Special Needs - social, economic or medial needs
• Special Needs - Diabetes
Overnight Camps

Presbyterian Camp on Okoboji
www.presbycamp.org
1864 Highway 86, Milford
712-337-3313
- Overnight Camp 3rd-12th grade
- Coed
- Day Camp K-5th grade
- Religious - Presbyterian

Riverside Lutheran Bible Camp
www.riversidelbc.org
3001 Riverside Rd., Story City
515-733-5271/800-372-7748
- Overnight Camp
- Coed
- Day Camp 1st-6th grade
- Religious - Lutheran

Catholic Youth Camp
www.stmcenter.com
Lake Panorama, Panora
641-755-3164
- Overnight Camp
- Coed
- 3rd - 12th grade
- Religious - Catholic

Iowa Regular Baptist Camp
www.irbc.org
Ventura
641-829-3824
- Overnight camp
- Coed/Boys Only/Girls Only
- Religious - Baptist
- Special Needs - Cognitively Impaired

Camp Wyoming
www.campwyoming.net
Wyoming, IA
563-488-3893
- Overnight Camp
- Coed
- Religious—Presbyterian
- Grades K-12 Regular Camp
- Age 16+ Special Persons Camp July 2nd-July 7th

EWALU Camp
www.ewalu.org
37776 Alpha Ave., Strawberry Point
563-933-4700
- Overnight Camp 3rd-12th grade
- Coed
- Day Camp 1st-6th grade
- Religious - Lutheran

Camp St. George
www.campstgeorge.org
Cedar Rapids
608-273-0133
- Overnight Camp
- Coed
- Religious - Antiochian Orthodox

Camp High Hopes
www.camphighhopes.com
5804 Correctionville Road
Sioux City, IA 51106
712-224-CAMP
- 6-18 years old & adult camps
- Overnight Camps
- Coed
- Day Camps
- Special Needs Camp
For additional camps or fun summer ideas check with your:

- Local Schools/Colleges
- Waiver Provider
- Iowa Compass [www.iowacompas.org](http://www.iowacompas.org)
- Case Manager
- YMCA or YWCA
- Churches
- Dance Studios
- Library
- Park & Rec Department
- Aquatic Center
- Bowling Alley & Movie Theatre
- Community Theatre/Art Center
- Zoo
- PEC at your AEA
- [www.desmoinesregister.com/summacamps](http://www.desmoinesregister.com/summacamps)

Need help selecting a camp?

**Discover Camp: Considerations for Sending Your Child with a Disability to Camp for the First Time** is a resource to help parents of children with disabilities in selecting a camp for their child for the first time. It’s a resource for preparing for that much anticipated camp experience—what questions to ask, communication protocols, supports for your child, and much more! Discover Camp can be found at:


The Discover Camp website and booklet are collaborative projects of the National Center on Accessibility, Bradford Woods and the National Center on Physical Activity and Disability. Funding has been provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Wishing you a FUN and SAFE summer! ☀️