



Covenant Harbor Camper Special Needs Parameters

Covenant Harbor wants to love your child and those in your child's cabin/team well. We can do this most effectively when we can plan for any special accommodation prior to your child's arrival at camp. We can, with limits, match counselors and staff with campers to help make the week as fun and as successful as possible. There are some parameters that need to be followed to be sure that we hold safe, successful camps. **In all cases involving special accommodation, please contact Covenant Harbor so that we may gain a complete understanding of your child's unique circumstances, and with your input, assess if we can meet your child's needs. Our office number is (262) 248-3600.**

What Parents Need to Know Prior to Registering a Camper with Special Needs:

1. Parent must inform Covenant Harbor of any medical, physical or behavioral conditions that may require special or beyond usual assistance from staff. This includes, but is not limited to the following:
 - Any condition for which the camper receives special assistance from an aid at school:
 - a. ADHD
 - b. Autism
 - c. Any need for a companion/comfort animal
 - d. Diagnosed Intellectual disability
 - Any physical limitations for which special accommodations are required
 - Any pre-existing medical issues that require special observation or intervention
 - Any behavioral or social issues that require special interventions or accommodation
 - a. Any noteworthy behavioral challenges that may affect cabin dynamics or social interactions with others
 - b. Any "triggers" for behavioral issues (e.g. PTSD, etc.)
2. Covenant Harbor has the following parameters for summer campers:
 - We cannot accommodate campers that require 1:1 buddy/supervision all of the time while at camp
 - Child should be able to follow direction and schedule without displaying aggressive behaviors
 - Child cannot be verbally or physically abusive toward other children
 - Child must be able to be redirected without the use of restraint
 - Child must be able to receive medicine and food orally or by injection (e.g. no G-Tubes)
 - If a child has a history of seizures, they must be controlled (inquire with camp Health Director to determine if we can serve the camper)
 - Child needs to be able to self-ambulate around the property (use of assistive devices such as a wheel chair are fine, however Covenant Harbor has significant hills and not all cabins are ADA accessible)
 - Child must not be a flight risk
 - We understand occasional bedwetting happens with Kishwaukee aged campers. We can manage this. However, we do require that all campers be able to independently use the bathroom facilities.

Again, if you feel your child is ready for camp, please call Covenant Harbor at (262) 248-3600 and ask to speak with our registrar to discuss next steps.