



Dear Summer Program Applicant and Parent/Guardian,

We are excited to be offering a recreational summer program for youth with disabilities ages 5-11 in 2024. We will accept up to 20 participants for this group. **We fill up fast and slots will be filled on a FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS.**

### **What is the Weekly Summer Recreation Program?**

For youth with disabilities ages 5-11, we will have a weekly activity held at RRCI or out in the community to practice social and life skills. *This group will start Friday June 7<sup>th</sup> and go until Friday August 2<sup>nd</sup> from 10:30am-12:00pm.* The focus of this program is to increase friendships, leadership opportunities for the older participants, and learning new hobbies. This program has an application fee of \$30 for the first child in a family to sign up, with an additional \$10 for each additional family member. Applications are due Friday, May 3rd, 2024. **This program is exclusively for individuals with disabilities.**

### **Best Fit for Summer Youth**

**The Summer Youth Program is most appropriate for youth who fit the following guidelines:**

- 1. Youth must be able to demonstrate basic self-sufficiency. Students must be independently mobile, be able to demonstrate independence with toileting, feeding, and dressing or bring an attendant to assist with those needs.**
- 2. Youth should be socially appropriate and be able to function at a 1 staff to 10 consumer ratio.**

RRCI reserves the right to select participants who demonstrate a reasonable expectation that services provided will be beneficial in their move toward independent living. Students must be between the ages of 5-11 for the weekly recreation program. It is important to get your application in early as we will be selecting on a first come, first serve basis. **You will be notified by May 17<sup>th</sup> 2024** if your child has been selected. Call Kayla at (435) 673-7501 for any questions or other classes and services available.

Below are some questions to help staff members better serve your student(s). Information provided will be used to help us plan and organize classes.

1. Special Dietary Needs: No \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ if yes, please explain  
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2. Please explain your student's disability, including whether or not your student uses a mobility device.  
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3. Is your student able to follow simple directions? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Please explain  
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4. How does your student handle unfamiliar situations or people? Please explain  
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5. Given the opportunity will your student wander/leave the group?  
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6. Are there behavior characteristics that staff should be aware of? Examples include but are not limited to: defiance, violence, etc.

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7. What strengths/skills does your student possess?

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8. What would you like to see your student achieve from these classes?

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Other comments, concerns or accommodations your student will need to participate:

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### 2024 RRCI Summer Programs Permission Forms

I hereby give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in RRCI's Summer Youth Recreational Program. With this fully signed permission slip, I hereby release and discharge RRCI and its employees from all liability, claims, and/or demands for property damage and personal injury, which may arise from an accident or injury while attending activities for the summer program, or being transported to and from these activities. Please initial below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Agree

\_\_\_\_\_ Disagree

I agree to authorize RRCI to take and utilize photographs, videos, or other audio-visual materials for its own use. These materials will be used for public awareness, public relations, and fundraising. I also understand that I will not be compensated monetarily or otherwise for use by RRCI. Please initial below:

\_\_\_\_\_ Agree

\_\_\_\_\_ Disagree

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

In case of emergency I can be contacted at the following number \_\_\_\_\_

**Return application as soon as possible to RRCI—DEADLINE MAY 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Mail—Attn: Kayla Robertson, 168 N 100 E Suite 101 St. George, UT 84770

Email—[kayla@rrci.org](mailto:kayla@rrci.org)



## RRCI Summer Programs Frequent Questions

1. **Where will students spend most of their time in the summer program?** Most activities will be held in the community and addresses are provided with the Mandatory Parent Meeting in May. All participants that are accepted into the program will be given information for this meeting.
2. **What about transportation?** *For our Summer Youth Program for the 5-11 year olds, transportation is limited and must be reserved with 24-hour notice.* As activities are every Friday, we will need to know by each Thursday prior if a ride is needed. The amount of drivers that we have varies so we are unable to have a consistent pick up list each week.
3. **What time should the youth arrive and leave RRCI?** For the Summer Youth Recreational Program, youth should arrive between 10:15 and 10:30am. They should be picked up by their parents by 12:15 pm. Youth using RRCI Transportation will be picked up and dropped off 30 minutes to an hour before and after the activity is held.
4. **What kind of supervision will my child have while involved with Summer Youth?** Youth safety and well-being is our most important concern. Youth will be supervised in a group of no more than 1 staff to 7-10 student ratio. Our staff and volunteers all have background checks to be able to assist in this wonderful program. **We do not have staff capacity for 1:1 supervision.** There are *always* at least 4 adults present. Please refer to the application under “Best Fit for Summer Youth” to know if this is the best fit for your child.
5. **What is the cost of the RRCI Summer Program?** The Summer Youth Recreational Program has an application fee of \$30 for the first child enrolled in a family and an additional \$10 for siblings enrolled. If you are not accepted into the Summer Youth Program, this fee will be refunded in full.
6. **What about parents? How can they help?** Building independence is about giving children at any age exposure and experiences without their family. For the Summer Youth Recreational Program, parents can attend and support their child in the activities planned with the understanding that the staff and volunteers may focus more specifically with their children. Parents are welcome to come and socialize with each other!
7. **What about other help or services?** RRCI has additional resources, activities and help available beyond the summer program. Call Kayla at (435) 673-7501 for more details about the Youth Program and RRCI General Services.
8. **Getting the application back to us?** The application is available on the RRCI website: [www.rrci.org](http://www.rrci.org) You can mail it, email Kayla at [kayla@rrci.org](mailto:kayla@rrci.org) , or turn it in person to us at the St. George Office.
9. **Is the application fee due before the deadline or after? All fees are due BEFORE the deadline.** Any applicants who are not accepted this year will be refunded.