

How to Choose a Summer Camp Checklist

✓ Identify a Camp that Best Meets the Individual's Needs

If the individual has special interests, and needs, be sure to ask if the camp is equipped to handle these special requirements.

✓ Ask about the Staff Experience and Camper-to-staff Ratios

Staff should have experience and be qualified to meet the individual camper's needs. If you are concerned about safety or medical issues, staff should be CPR and First Aid-Certified.

✓ Ask about Financial Aid

Whatever camp you choose, ask if it is possible you qualify for a scholarship or subsidy. Some state programs cover the cost of summer camps with a voucher programs allowing you to choose the camp of your choice.

✓ Check with other Families

Other families can give tell you about experiences with a camp, its also acceptable to ask for camp references as a way of checking out a camp's track record and reputation.

✓ Recognize Your Talent!

You know best the individual's personality, interests, traits, and behavior style.

Remember: Nothing takes the place of using your own judgment. Although its time consuming, starting early and doing your research will be a big pay off for the entire family.