



# CAMP ROBIN HOOD

## GROUPING POLICY

At Robin Hood the grouping process begins with classifying children based on the last grade they completed (i.e. the grade level that they are enrolled in prior to the summer). In many areas of camp, we have the ability to further divide campers based on their birth month, often placing campers together with children born within three months of one another.

It is critical that groups are created with an appropriate balance of campers who were connected prior to their Robin Hood experience (through previous camp, school or extracurricular experiences) with those that were not. Through our experience we have discovered that this promotes the importance of “camp friendships” which leads to a new “circle of friends” that is often maintained throughout the year.

The importance of grouping cannot be understated. It is for this reason that our Director/Owner Sari Grossinger is personally involved in this process and will review any and all grouping requests that come into our office. As a parent you should be aware that there are a number of issues that may affect our ability to accommodate grouping requests:

- We need to know that the request is being made by the families of both campers, in writing, either on the application form or on a separate note or email sent to [registration@camprobinhood.ca](mailto:registration@camprobinhood.ca).
- In order to maintain the ratios that we have committed to upholding, our groups have a maximum number of camper spaces. To ensure that each group retains a diverse quality, we must limit the number of requests accommodated for any one group.
- As a parent it is important for you to recognize that some friendships have the potential to interfere with a successful group dynamic. In the rare event that this occurs, we will work together with the families of affected children to achieve a reasonable resolution.

Grouping at Robin Hood Sports Academy is less complicated. We are teaching sports skills daily and grouping is directly related to the abilities and age of the camper. Sports Academy campers also have many opportunities to interact with campers from other groups through our mass activities, lunches, swim and options periods.

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