

# **OUR INCLUSION PROGRAM**

With the support of trained staff, adaptive equipment and modified programs, the team at Camp Robin Hood works hard to include campers of all abilities. For campers and staff with additional needs, our camp provides an opportunity to learn and grow socially. Working with our Camper Relations Team, our program provides the backdrop to learn new skills and develop those that are emerging. It is gratifying to see staff and campers of all abilities accept each other as they are; children learn to be empathetic and show respect. After a summer at Robin Hood, we know you'll agree that camp is a great social experience for all.

Our Owner/Director Sari Grossinger is an Occupational Therapist, leading a team of professional staff. The responsibility of this team is to work directly with campers, families and our staff to work towards a smooth transition from school and continued support throughout their time at camp. In order to maintain the integrity of our inclusion program, it is necessary to put limits on how many campers can be enrolled. As a result, Sari and the Camper Relations Team will often conduct home and/or school visits\* to assess with the family, their support team and our camp team, if our camp could be the right fit for your child. Camp Robin Hood is not a traditional therapeutic environment therefore the assessment process includes important discussions between camp, family, teachers and other professionals where necessary. We recognize that we cannot meet every child's/family's needs and/or expectations, our goal being to provide a positive camp experience for all campers and staff.

**CRH reserves the right to change or update our policies and/or programs and/or optional extras as the Ministry of Health may make recommendations and/or changes to the COVID-19 guidelines prior to and/or during the summer.**

Our Camper Relations Team consists of experienced Camp Robin Hood staff, who works professionally in the field of "Special Needs" during the school year. Services provided by the Camper Relations Team include:

- Collecting relevant information about your child (including child-specific strategies) and sharing it with the appropriate staff.
- Providing in-service training to the entire Camp Robin Hood staff (including support staff hired by your family) to ensure that everyone is up to date on the current information/strategies/best practices used to meet the needs of campers with additional needs.
- Hiring additional support staff for campers who require 1:1 support.\*
- Working closely with our bus counsellors/drivers to help ensure that your child's experience on our buses is a smooth and safe. For families providing their own support staff, the Camper Relations Team will notify families if there is space on the bus for this person to accompany your child.\*
- Liaising between families, campers and camp staff, especially our Health Centre staff, Camper Trackers and Section Heads.
- Ensuring that campers who require assistance upon arrival are met by a "Bus Buddy" at the drop off/pick up area. This service provides appropriate supervision for our campers until their counsellor and/or support staff arrives at camp each day.
- For families hiring their own support staff, providing the appropriate substitute during swim should the support staff be unable to participate in this activity.\*
- Communicating regularly with your family, providing and receiving feedback and managing problem solving should challenges arise.
- When required, working with your family and support team to arrange times for observation and/or gathering of information related to the camper.

*\* an additional fee required*

## **INCLUSION PROGRAM SERVICES:**

1. Camp Robin Hood provides a 1:1 staff member	\$1000/session
2. Camp Robin Hood provides support to 1:1 staff member hired by your family	\$250/summer
3. Camp Robin Hood provides space on the bus for support staff arranged by your family	Neighbourhood Transportation: \$50/session
	Door-to-Door Transportation: \$100/session
4. Camp Robin Hood provides supervision at swim	\$150/session

Please contact Sari Grossinger at 416.736.4443 for more information