Dear Summer Program Applicant and Parent/Guardian,

We are excited to be offering 2 summer programs for youth and young adults with disabilities ages 5-13 and 14-21. Youth ages 5-13 will be have a weekly summer recreation program. We will accept 30 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 ages 5-13 we are going to have a weekly activity held at RRCI or out in the community to practice social and life skills. This group will start Thursday June 25th and go until Thursday August 6th from 10:30-12:00. Youth that are 10-13 will be PEER MENTORS to those younger participants. It will be a buddy system and the youth will get to know each other well. The focus of this program is to increase friendships, leadership opportunities for the older participants, and learning new hobbies. This program costs $30 for the first child in a family to sign up, with a cost of $10 for each additional family member. This group focuses on working with children who have disabilities and is a requirement for being a part of this program.

Summer Program is most appropriate for youth and young adults who fit the following guidelines:
1. Youth and young adults must be able to demonstrate basics 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 and young adults 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 14 to 21 for the bi-weekly program and 5-13 for the weekly recreation program. We would like to have a mixture of returning students as well as new ones. 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 26th 2020 if your student has been selected. Call Allison 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. Information provided will be used to help us plan and organize classes.

1. Special Dietary Needs: No ___ Yes ___ if yes, please explain ____________________________
2. Please explain your student’s disability, include whether or not your student uses a mobility device.________________________________________________________________________
3. Is your student able to follow simple directions? Yes ___ No ___ Please explain ___________________________________________________________________
4. How does your student handle unfamiliar situations or people? Please explain ________________________________________________________________
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:

2020 RRCI Summer Programs Permission Forms

I hereby give permission for _________________________ to participate in RRCI’s Summer Recreation Program/or Bi-Weekly Transition 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.

_____________ 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.

_____________ Agree                           _______________ Disagree

Parent/Guardian Signature ____________________________ Date: _______________

Please Print Name________________________________________________________

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

Return application as soon as possible to RRCI—DEADLINE MAY 20th
Mail—Attn: Allison Muir, 168 N 100 E Suite 101 St. George, UT 84770
Email—allison@rrci.org
1. **Where will students spend most of their time in the summer program?** All students will meet each time at RRCI. All activities will originate at RRCI. Outings and some special events will take place at community locations within the Washington County area.

2. **What about meals?** Lunch is scheduled at 11:30 am for 30 minutes. For Wednesday’s and Thursday’s youth must bring a sack lunch. There will be light snacks and water provided. *Friday’s students will participate in cooking classes and should not bring a lunch.* There may be opportunities to purchase lunch near some of the outings. You will receive a note home with this information.

3. **What about transportation?** Students must have a bus pass or cash to travel when we use Suntran for outings. *For the Transition program at RRCI, parents are expected to provide transportation for their student to and from RRCI on Wednesday and Friday, but we know there are exceptions.* With pre-approval students may be given a ride to and from RRCI with 24-hour notice. *For our Summer Recreation Program for the 5-13 year olds, transportation is limited and must be reserved with 24-hour notice.*

4. **What time should the students arrive and leave RRCI?** For the bi-weekly employment and transition program classes will begin at 9:00 am. **Student should arrive by 8:45 am.** *(There will be no class on Friday July 24th).* **Students should be picked up by 12:30 pm.** Please call the center at (435) 673-7501 and let us know if your student is going to be absent or late. *For the Summer Recreation Program, youth should arrive at 10:15 am. They should be picked up by their parents (or reserve transportation with RRCI) by 12:00 pm.*

5. **What kind of supervision will students have while at RRCI?** Staff members are independent living specialists trained to help students meet his/her needs. Staff will be in attendance at all activities. Students safety and well-being are our most important concern. Students will be supervised in a group of no more than 1 staff to 10 student ratio. **We do not have staff capacity for 1:1 supervision.**

6. **What is the cost of the RRCI Summer Program?** The Summer Recreation Program is $30 for the first child enrolled in a family and an additional $10 for siblings enrolled. Because of a grant through the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation the bi-weekly program is **FREE.**

7. **What about parents? How can they help?** Parental involvement is crucial to the success of each student. Reinforcement at home will help students retain skills taught in the program. Our aim is to help parents and other family members more effectively cope with and understand their relationship with students in transition. For the Summer Recreation Camp, parents can attend and support their child in the activities planned.

8. **What about other help or services?** RRCI has additional resources and help available beyond the summer program. Call Allison at (435) 673-7501 for more details.

9. **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, or turn it in person to us.