

Exceptional Children Achieving Exceptional Results

Watson Institute Day Respite Services Spring 2020

The Watson Institute has developed an inclusive respite program that creates a camp-like setting for children with and without disabilities. Events and schedules have been designed with each child's special needs in mind. From check-in to departure, children will participate in small and large group activities such as arts & crafts, music, nature hikes and sports. There are also quiet indoor activities available for those who choose not to participate in the outdoor events. The Day Respite Program has a high staff to child ratio and a nurse present at all times. This is a great experience for your child as well as yourself. The respite program gives you the opportunity to take a much needed break while your child is safe and having fun!

Who is eligible to attend?

This service is designed for children with autism, developmental disabilities and neurological impairments as well as their siblings. Children dependent on medical technology are not eligible. All school-age children with disabilities from the age of 3-21 and their siblings from the age of 3-13 are eligible to attend the day respites. Each child attending a respite program needs to have an up to date application. There are a limited number of spaces open for each respite to ensure that each child receives the proper amount of attention. The children will be selected to attend the respite program based on eligibility and space availability.

Please contact us if your child has any special medical needs and we can discuss how we can support him/her.

When are the programs?

There are two sessions held on Saturdays - Spring 2020 Day Respites are as follows:

Saturday, March 7th	Education Center South
Saturday, April 25th	Watson Institute
	230 Hickory Grade Road
	Bridgeville, PA 15017

March 7th and April 25th programs will be held at the Education Center South at the Watson Institute.

<u>Time:</u> 10:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. <u>Things to bring:</u> A nut-free packed lunch; medications; diapers/pull ups – if needed <u>Activities:</u> arts & crafts; music; cooking; nature walks; sports and more! <u>Open to:</u> Children with disabilities 3-21; siblings 3-13 <u>Cost:</u> \$45 for 1 child; \$60 for 2 or more children

Registration will be accepted on a first come, first served basis contingent upon staff availability. A confirmation of attendance will be sent by email to those families 1 week prior to the date of the Respite. Please return the bottom portion with your registration. This form **MUST** be completed to be considered for Respite, whether a new or returning child. If we do not have a completed registration form, the child cannot attend.

Child's Name/Age/	March 7th	April 25th
Disability	Education Center South	Education Center South
	Cost (see above)	Cost (see above)

Please pay for each event with a separate check. Make checks payable to: The Watson Institute.

Payment must be received at least 1 week prior to each respite event.

Parent/Guardian Name:

Phone Number: _____

Email Address:

Any questions – please contact Meagan Trimbur by phone at 412-749-2805 or via email MeaganT@thewatsoninstitute.org