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# Camps, Programs & Resources

## Access Services - Chesco LIFE Program

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The Chesco LIFE Program is a county-wide program that serves Chester County families who have a child or adolescent that struggles with emotional, behavioral, social needs, intellectual disabilities and/or have involvement with the dependency or delinquency systems. As a team of both experienced parents and professionals, we work closely with families to offer invaluable support. In addition to working with local child serving systems and partnerships with community organizations, we have many resources available to support your family's emotional, intellectual, and physical well-being. Self-help parenting and educational supports, and social and recreational opportunities are all easily accessible within the program. The Chesco LIFE family support program is funded by the Chester County Division of Human Services and is provided at no cost to families residing in Chester County.

## Autism on the Seas

5 Oak Glen Drive,  
Shelton, CT 06484

1-800-516-5247

[autismontheseas.com](http://autismontheseas.com)

Autism on the Seas allows families to have their dream vacation with the support of our professional volunteer staff. We provide priority boarding, private muster drills, assisted beach excursions, assisted meals, private events/activities, respite time and much more!

## Bournelyf Special Camp

1066 S New Street  
West Chester PA 19382

[info@bscwc.org](mailto:info@bscwc.org)

[bscwc.org](http://bscwc.org)

Bournelyf Special Camp operates as a summer day camp in West Chester, PA with programs involving recreational, physical fitness and lifetime wellness in conjunction with developing communication and social skills for individuals with mild to moderate intellectual and developmental disabilities. We promote the development of each camper's potential through participation in an exciting variety of challenging outdoor activities.

## Camp Lee Mar

805 Redgate Road  
Dresher, PA 19025

215.658.1708

[ari@leemar.com](mailto:ari@leemar.com)

[leemar.com](http://leemar.com)

Camp Lee Mar is a private residential special needs camp for children and teenagers with mild to moderate learning and developmental challenges. Campers enjoy traditional camp activities PLUS academics, speech and language therapy, music, art, daily living skills, computers and much more. We also have therapeutic horseback riding, a zip line, overnight trips, a Junior Olympic heated pool, modern facilities and air-conditioned buildings.

## **Camp Pegasus**

**600 Haverford Rd. Suite G-101  
Haverford, PA 19041  
610.649.1080  
info@camppegasus.com  
camppegasus.com**

Camp Pegasus provides social-emotional developmental experiences in a therapeutic setting. The camp addresses all social challenges, but is specifically designed to help children with social cognitive deficits (High Functioning Autism (Asperger's type)), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and learning differences.

## **Center On Central**

**24 W. Central Avenue  
Paoli, PA 19301  
610.710.1487  
katie@coc.org  
thecenteroncentral.com**

Camp 24 utilizes creative arts therapies in a group setting to learn and practice social skills. There is a daily lesson and fun working together using art, pottery, yoga, music, dance / movement and team games to "make the lesson real." Campers are divided by age and cognitive functioning level. Structured, safe environment and caring professional staff.

## **Centreville Layton School Summer Program**

**6201 Kennett Pike  
Centreville, DE 19807  
302.571.0230  
djarrell@centrevillelayton.org  
centrevillelayton.org**

The Summer Program at Centreville Layton School combines academic skills improvement with recreational activities. Half-day and full-day programs are available with an academic focus in the morning and recreational activities in the afternoon. The five-week program is offered to all students grades PreK-12.

## **Customized Workforce Solutions - Vocational Immersion Program**

**5 Station Avenue  
Berwyn, PA 19312  
484.320.3240  
CWS@vfes.net  
customizedworkforcesolutions.net**

The Vocational Immersion Program (VIP) is a four-week intensive, pre-employment program with a strong focus on work readiness, career exploration and community-based vocational experiences. Partnering with local businesses, VIP evaluates each participant's personal interests and strengths to place the young adult within a valuable work environment.

## **Dragonfly Forest**

**400 Fayette St. Suite 250  
Conshohocken, PA 19428  
717.877.3817**

**ryan.tressler@philaymca.org  
dragonflyforest.org**

Dragonfly Forest is dedicated to providing a safe, accessible and FUN camp experience for all children. With sessions serving children with autism, 22q11.2 deletion syndrome, sickle cell disease, hemophilia, and persistent asthma, we aim to provide a culture of inclusion, while fostering confidence and independence in each of our campers.

## **EasterSeals Camp Fairlee**

**22317 Dupont Blvd.  
Georgetown, DE 19947  
410.778.0566  
fairlee@esdel.org**

**de.easterseals.com/fairlee**

Traditional, overnight summer camp program for children and adults with all types of disabilities.

## **Extended School Year at the Vanguard School**

**1777 N. Valley Road  
Malvern, PA 19355**

**610.296.6700**

**info@vfes.net**

**summermatters.org**

The Vanguard School's ESY programs help curb summer learning loss and keeps students actively engaged in the learning process during the summer months. Individualized academics and instruction focus on building communication, social, daily living and vocational skills. The ESY programs incorporate traditional summer recreational activities into the daily academic schedule to make learning successful and fun.

## **Fick Educational Services**

**17 Turner Lane  
West Chester, PA 19380**

**610.457.2199**

**fickeducation@gmail.com**

**fickeducation@gmail.com**

Don't want your child losing their desire to learn during the summer? Join our summer camps at FES where they can build relationships, have fun while learning and meet challenges with a smile. FES is buzzing with activity all summer long with our weekly themed summer camps as well as Study Skills, Math Refresher, and SAT Prep camps. We offer flexible scheduling all summer. Our themed camps combine academic and social skills improvement with recreational activities for children ages 3-13 of all learning abilities. Join us this summer exploring an archaeological dig, practicing mindfulness or coding your own video game. These are just a few of the many themed camps we offer. Visit our table and take a look at [www.fickeducation.com](http://www.fickeducation.com) for more information!

## **GrowNOW Therapy Services**

**600 N Jackson Street, Suite 301  
Media, PA 19063**

**631.332.3801**

**Mike@GrowNOWTherapy.com**

**GrowNOWTherapy.com**

GrowNOW Therapy Services is a unique and innovate private practice of speech-language pathologists specializing in Executive Functions and ADHD. Our team of highly skilled therapists have extensive experience in autism spectrum, AAC, apraxia, social pragmatics, and expressive/receptive language. We help your child build resiliency and life skills required to succeed and become indecent. Our approach is innovative and engaging- ensuring your child is highly motivated at all times.

## **Hill Top Summer Adventures**

**737 South Ithan Avenue  
Rosemont, PA 19010**

**261.416.0525**

**summeradventures@hilltopprep.org**

**hilltopprep.org**

Hill Top Summer Adventures offers various social skills programs for students in grades 2-12 that may have one or more of the following diagnoses: ADD/ADHD, autism spectrum disorder or social skills needs.

## **JCHAI - Judith Creed Homes for Achieving Independence**

**274 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue  
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010**

**610.922.2480**

**questions@jchai.org**

**jchai.org**

JCHAI offers a range of independent living support services, including a Supportive Apartment Program and JCHAI At Home, an in-your-own-apartment community-based service. JCHAI also offers a young adult Transitions Program with classes and outings geared to teach all the skills necessary to live and work independently in the community.

## **Lavner Camps**

**229 Haverford Ave.**

**Narberth, PA 19072**

**888.854.CAMP**

**info@lavnercamps.com**

**lavnercamps.com**

Lavner Camps is redefining summer camp. Based at VFES with additional Philly-area locations in Devon, West Chester, Bryn Mawr, Merion, Fort Washington, Lower Gwynedd, Philadelphia and more, we offer 50+ exciting and cutting-edge day camp experiences in Sports, Technology & The Arts, where campers specialize in an area of interest each week to develop their skills, find their passion, and pursue their dreams!

## **Lindamood Bell Learning Processes**

**780 W Lancaster Avenue, Suite 206  
Bryn Mawr, PA 93401**

**610.581.7411**

**philadelphia.center@lindamoodbell.com**

**lindamoodbell.com**

Lindamood-Bell teaches children and adults reading and comprehension. For over 30 years, our intensive, research-validated instruction has been used in Lindamood-Bell Learning Centers to strengthen the sensory-cognitive functions needed for reading and comprehension.

## **MassMutual of Eastern Pennsylvania**

**3701 Corporate Parkway, Suite 350  
Center Valley, PA 18034**

**610.945.6936**

**jslavich@financialguide.com**

**easternpa.massmutual.com**

MassMutual of Eastern Pennsylvania's SpecialCare Planning Team including planners with the Chartered Special Needs Consultant (ChSNC) designation, makes them uniquely qualified to identify gaps in legal, financial, social and governmental strategies. Many of our team members are parents of children with special needs and have dealt with the similar challenges as our clients. Coupled with support staff, the team is able to devote time and energy to the interests and organizations closest to our and communities.

## **New Avenue Foundation**

**953 Rocklynn Road  
Springfield, PA 19064**

**610.328.3824**

**jim@newfdn.org**

**newfdn.org**

New Avenue Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) public charity founded by fathers. Our mission is to help create more meaningful lives for people with disabilities through innovative social, employment & housing programs. Since we were founded in 2013, we have created innovative social activities for people with disabilities (across all disabilities) & their caregivers (parents, family members, professionals & agencies). We are proud to have started activities that include social & community inclusion components: (1) Our Community Cup Coffeehouse is providing a venue in which we are building community through music & helping each other learn to respect our differences. This is our 4th year. (2) Our Community Cup Coffee — We are working on opening our own coffee roasting business as an affiliate of Furnace Hills Coffee “exceptional coffee roasted by special people” to employ people with disabilities. (3) We will be running the Kelly Center Café at the new Kelly Center for Music, Arts & Community in Havertown PA starting in March or April. We hope to employ at least 12 people with different abilities.

## **Round Lake Camp / NJY Camps**

**21 Plymouth St.  
Fairfield, NJ 07004**

**973.575.3333 x145**

**roundlakecamp.org**

Round Lake is an inclusion program for campers aged 7-17 with learning differences, ADHD, social communication disorders and anxiety. Camp programming includes swimming, sports, adventure courses, arts and crafts and STEM. In addition, OT, speech and academic supports are available.

## **St. Edmond’s Home for Children**

**320 South Roberts Rd  
Rosemont, PA 19010**

**610-525-8800**

**rjentes@chs-adphila.org**

**stedmondshome.org**

Camp Rainbow also includes community outings such as The Mann Center, bowling, Dave & Buster’s, Upper Darby Summer Stage, & other fun destinations.

## **Summer LIFE**

**1777 N. Valley Road  
Malvern, PA 19355**

**610.296.6725 x128**

**camp@vfes.net**

**summermatters.org**

Located on Camp Kweebec’s 200+ acres in Schwenksville, Pennsylvania, Summer L.I.F.E. Traditional Day & Overnight Camp offers children and young adults, ages 8–21, a camp experience that fosters independence and cultivates friendships within the context of traditional activities. Campers explore, swim and play. Camp traditions include GaGa Ball, arts & crafts, cooking, zip lining and so much more. Summer L.I.F.E. offers options for day or overnight camp with one week, two week or weekend options available.

## **Summer Spark**

**2 Bishop Hollow Rd  
Newtown Square, PA 19073**

**610.355.9580**

**cnews@stratfordfriends.org**

**stratfordfriends.org**

Stratford Friends Summer Spark is a four week academic camp for students in grades K-9 with language-based learning differences. Optional afternoon adventures camp activities including instructional and recreational swimming, the arts, STEM, field trips, special guests and more!



## **The Pathway School**

**162 Egypt Road  
Jeffersonville, PA 19403**

**610.277.0660 x289**

**dphifer@pathwayschool.org**

**pathwayschool.org**

Pathway's exciting summer program provides a fun, action-packed opportunity for students to build new skills through various club options. Stimulating activities invite growth socially, developmentally and emotionally in a supportive environment that encourages risk-taking. Come find your place at Pathway.

## **Variety - the Children's Charity of the Delaware Valley**

**2950 Potshop Road  
Worcester, PA 19490**

**610.584.4366**

**angela.hall@varietyphila.org**

**varietyphila.org**

Since 1935, Variety - The Children's Charity of the Delaware Valley has continued its mission to enrich the lives of children and young adults with disabilities through social, educational, and vocational programs that nurture independence and self-confidence and prepare them for life.

## **1847 Financial**

**Eight Tower Bridge, Suite 700**

**161 Washington Street**

**Conshohocken, PA 19428**

**215.317.4143**

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**1847financial.com/p/special-needs-resource**

Families with children and other dependents with special needs, no matter what the age or disability, face many serious questions about how to best prepare for their future well-being. Our team provides an overview of the financial & estate planning considerations that these families need to evaluate in the future planning for themselves and their loved one(s) with special needs. We educate our clients on how special needs financial planning is different than traditional financial planning. We will talk about a "3 person retirement" that involves potentially two lifetime incomes that need to be planned for accordingly. We utilize strategies to address funding of special needs trusts, tax planning considerations and ensuring quality of life and lifetime care are maintained for loved ones with disabilities. It is key for families to understand that a special needs plan is not "done" solely because a special needs trust has been created.

## **30th Annual Boy Scouts Special Needs Camporee**

**913 Roundelay Lane**

**West Chester, PA 19382**

**610.793.1001**

**specialcamporee.com**

The Chester County Council, Boy Scouts of America is proud to host the 30th annual Special Needs Camporee on Friday evening, June 21st through Sunday, June 23rd, at Camp Ware on the Horseshoe Scout Reservation. Each year, the Chester County Council plays host to Special Needs Troops and Community Organizations from South-Eastern Pennsylvania and Northern Maryland.







# Valley Forge Educational Services



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## **Valley Forge Educational Services prepares children and adults with special needs to realize their potential as contributing members of the community.**

**The Vanguard School** is an Approved Private School serving students, 4–21 years of age, who require a high degree of individualized attention and intervention including those with autism spectrum disorders, developmental disabilities, speech-language deficits and social-emotional, executive functioning and behavioral difficulties. Students receive individualized behavioral, academic and vocational programming with a focus on functional, emotional and social skills development.

**Summer Matters** offers educational, recreational and vocational programming for young people, 5–24 years of age, with learning challenges and special needs. Summer Matters programs are of varying formats and lengths and build on participants' interests to help them succeed, learn and grow.

**Customized Workforce Solutions** provides employment-related services to adults with disabilities. Services provide adults with the customized opportunities and individualized supports necessary to discover career interests and maintain competitive, integrated employment in their home community.

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