## Adventures with Autism Application

## About the Program

Adventures with Autism (AwA) is a social recreation program designed to target social skills and life skills by teaching teens with ASD how to be flexible thinkers, problem solvers, and effective collaborators while developing friendships and self-initiation. The bulk of this program will happen in the community. Participants must be registered with the UCF Center for Autism and Related Disabilities.

## Grounds for Dismissal from AwA

The effectiveness of the program will depend on cooperation of participants that can benefit from this higherlevel social thinking curriculum. Not all individuals will be ready for this program at this time. Please read the description carefully and honestly consider if the individual meets the criteria stated. Dismissal from the Adventures with Autism program may occur for any registrant/child if the AwA staff, using positive behavior support strategies, determines that the adult-individual ratio cannot support the safety of the participant or group.

\*It is critical that the/your registrant/child is motivated to attend this program. Applicants who do not want to attend will not benefit from these services.

## **Transportation**

Public transportation may be used during AwA. The goal is to teach individuals how to navigate public transportation and travel in a group. Individuals will be always with staff during public transportation.

## Do Not Bring!

Participants must not bring the following items to the program: glass containers, personal toys, electronic games, or weapons of any kind.

## Snacks & Drinks

- Each registrant/child needs to bring their own lunch for days suggested and snacks or sufficient funds to purchase food.
- All food must be non-refrigerated food (Food will be stored indoors, but you may want to supplement with an ice pack).
- No microwaveable food items.
- Pack utensils and napkins.
- Extra drinks\*

## Participants Full Name

## Location/Hours/Dates

*Location*: Adventures with Autism will meet at various community locations to begin and end their day of adventures. It is important to note on the schedule the date/day drop-off and pick-up location. If you arrive late for, drop off you may miss the group.

*Hours*: Varies each day. Please keep an eye on the schedule and check your emails daily for important information / weather changes

Days: Monday thru Friday

# No early drop off or late pickup. It is critical to be on time for drop off as we will be using public transportation and will not be able to wait for tardy participants or we will lose a significant portion of activity time.

Schedule

<u>Week 1:</u> East Orange and Seminole County (Altamonte, Lake Mary, Waterford, Oviedo, Winter Park) (June 3-7)

Week 2: Sandford/Orange City/Wekiva (June 10-14)

Week 3: I-Drive Area (July 8-12)

#### **Approval**

Thank you for applying for your teen to attend Adventures with Autism. This camp requires that the teen be approved by a UCF Center for Autism and Related Disabilities (UCF CARD) and PALS team. We will review your application and confirm your teens enrollment in the camp. If your child is not approved for any reason, we will call to explain any steps you may need to take for approval or other opportunities your child can take for the summer with CARD/PALS.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here if you agree to the following statement: I understand that this is an application, and I will receive an email or phone call within 5 business days from submitting this application to confirm my child has been enrolled in the camp. I will wait 5 business days before reaching out to PALS to inquire about the status of my application. I can email *info@pals-ucfcard.org* with any questions or concerns regarding my application.

#### <u>Cost</u>

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial here if you understand the following statement: I understand that the cost of each day is solely the cost of the event fee's. There are other costs associated with this camp including but not limited to the facilitators admission costs, facilitators time and pay, travel costs, etc. PALS has subsidized the cost of everything else, so families only pay the event fees.

Participants Full Name			
Name of Participant:	Birth Date	Male	Female
	Parent/Guardian Information:		
Name:	Name:		
Relationship:	Relationship:		
Cell Phone:	Cell Phone:		
Email:	Email:		
	Medical Background:		
Physician's Name:	Phone:		
Camp may have to walk a total of 2 miles	on some days. Does individual h	ave physical limitat	ions? yes no
If yes, what:			
Is the individual subject to seizures?ye	esno Type:	Frequency:	
Other conditions to note:			
Allergies to medicine, food, insects?ye	esno If yes, what:		
Is the individual on a special diet? yes _	no If yes, please explain:		
Is the individual taking medication yes	no		
Medical insurance company:	Insurance Col	mpany Phone:	
Insurance policy number:	Imber: Name of Insured for Policy:		
Emerg	ency Contacts (other than parer	<u>nts):</u>	
Name:	Name:		
Relationship:	Relationship:		
Cell Phone:	Cell Phone:		
Parents on file and emergency cont	tacts on file are permitted to pic	k up the participan	t yes no
Other people permitted to pick up the pa	rticipant		
Name:	Name:		
Relationship:	Relationship:	Relationship:	
Cell Phone:	Cell Phone:		

## Major Dislikes

List things that the participant does not like or avoids. Examples: loud noises, water, sand, dirt, etc.

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3.	4
5.	6.
<u>F</u>	ears

List things that the participant is very afraid of. Examples: Animals, bad weather, etc.

1	_2
3	_ 4
5	_6

In order for our experienced staff to safely support and manage the individual at Adventures with Autism, all of the individuals current or potential behaviors that may adversely affect them or others, must be identified.

**Behaviors** 

List any behaviors that may occur at Adventures with Autism