



Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD Transition Information

Transition services are defined as a coordinated set of activities for a child with a disability...within a results-oriented process that is focused on improving the academic and functional achievement of the child with a disability to facilitate the child's movement from school to post-school activities." (§300.43 Transition Services)

This packet contains state and local resources and agency contact information that maybe helpful as you plan for your child's future. Phone number and email addresses may have changed after this packet was printed.

For assistance, please contact the Transition Specialist in your child's home school feeder pattern at the following number:

Creekview High School	972-968-4854
Newman Smith High School	972-968-5240
Ranchview High School	972-968-5016
R.L. Turner High School	972-968-5564
Middle School Transition	972-968-5888

For additional transition information from TEA, please visit the following website www.transitionintexas.org

Now that my child has been diagnosed with a disability, what do I need to do?

1. Familiarize yourself with services and programs offered by various agencies.
2. Contact your local MHMR Authority to discuss and apply for services for residents with mental health and intellectual/development disabilities. They will guide you through the process.
3. Add your name to the interest list for future services so that when your child graduates they will have access to programs that will benefit them long term.
4. Discuss special needs trusts and estate planning with your family and financial planner/attorney.
5. Apply for disability benefits with the Social Security Administration.

Programs and Services to consider

Occupational Therapy

Physical Therapy

Speech Therapy

Behavioral services

In Home Training

Attendant care

SSI benefits

Medicaid waiver programs

Vocational and Employment programs

Day habilitation programs

Special needs Trusts/Guardianship

Residential placement/other living options

Respite Services

Home/Community Based Services (HCS)

Case Management

Social Security Administration

Dallas Metrocare

Denton County MHMR

Medicaid Waiver programs

ARC of Dallas

ARC of Denton County

Down Syndrome Guild

Autism Speaks

Easter Seals of North Texas

Ability Connection Texas

Recreation Opportunities

Texas Workforce (former DARS)

Special Needs Planning/Guardianship/Alternatives to Guardianship

Social Security Administration

www.ssa.gov

1-800-772-1213

You can contact the SSA to learn more about benefits and how to apply, get the address of your local Social Security office, request important documents and to find out more information about the Social Security system.

Metrocare Services

www.metrocareservices.org

214-333-7000

(Dallas County) -(214) 948-2415 Ebonie Price or (214) 948-2412 Mary Alvear

Metrocare Services is the Dallas County Authority of mental health and intellectual/developmental disability services. The Eligibility Determination Unit (EDU) is the central intake site for people residing in Dallas County with intellectual and developmental disabilities, autism, pervasive developmental disorders, or a related condition. The EDU provides information, screening, assessment, and referral. Services they offer include service coordination, in home and family supports and respite program. For more information on services that may be available for your child please contact the Eligibility Determination Unit.

Denton County MHMR

www.dentonmhmr.org

940-565-5249

Meagan Crowley – Intake Specialist

Denton County MHMR Center is the designated local mental health and intellectual/development disability authority for residents of Denton County. The services they offer may include service coordination, respite programs and community supports. To request supports and services and to find out what is currently available you must contact their Intake Coordinator.

ARC of Dallas

www.arcdallas.org

214-634-9810

The Arc of Dallas is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to improve the quality of life for people with intellectual and related developmental disabilities. The Arc of Dallas programs and services are available for children and adults. Their website also includes an area services and resource directory.

ARC of Denton County

www.arcofdentoncounty.org

972-436-8471

The Arc of Denton County is a nonprofit, volunteer organization that is committed to expanding opportunities for people with any developmental disability to exercise the same rights, freedoms and responsibilities as their fellow citizens by providing family support, public awareness, advocacy service and referral.

Down Syndrome Guild

www.downsyndromedallas.org

214-267-1374

The Down Syndrome Guild's mission is to provide accurate and current information, resources and support for people with Down syndrome, their families and the community. To become a member, for area resources or for other information you can visit their website.

Autism Speaks

www.autismspeaks.org

Autism Speaks has grown into the nation's largest autism science and advocacy organization, dedicated to funding research into the causes, prevention, treatments and a cure for autism; increasing awareness of

autism spectrum disorders; and advocating for the needs of individuals with autism and their families.

Easter Seals of North Texas

www.ntx.easterseals.com

972-394-8900 (Carrollton)

The purpose of Easter Seals is to create opportunities that advance the independence of individuals with disabilities and other special needs. Services they offer include autism services for children, audiology services, assistive technology services, respite care and habilitation services.

Ability Connection Texas

www.abilityconnectiontexas.org

800-999-1898

ACT's passion is providing the highest quality care and support to children and adults with disabilities. Their services include therapy services, health services, day programs and in home supports. Please contact them to find out what services may benefit your child.

Texas Workforce Solutions Vocational Rehabilitative Services

Kimberly Cole, Transitional Voc. Rehabilitation Counselor

1735 Keller Springs Rd. Suite 150 Carrollton, TX 75006

Email: kimberly.cole@twc.state.tx.us

Cell: 214-970-7859

Website: www.twc.texas.gov

Board website: www.wfsdallas.com

The Vocational Rehabilitation program helps people with disabilities prepare for, find or retain employment and helps youth and students, at least **14 year old**, prepare for post-secondary opportunities. The program also helps businesses and employers recruit, retain and accommodate employees with disabilities.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training and support services to succeed

in the labor market, and to match employers with the skilled workers they need to compete in the global economy.

Special Needs Planning/Guardianship/ Alternatives to Guardianship

Special Needs Planning and Guardianship/Alternatives are important processes to consider when planning for the future of your child. To learn more about special needs planning and guardianship and alternatives to guardianship please contact your financial planner, attorney, attend workshops or contact one of the local professionals listed below. (While CFB does not endorse any attorneys or financial planners, this list is compiled of professionals who spoke at workshops for persons with disabilities or were recommended by other parents or agencies.)

Supported Decision Making Disability Rights Texas

Rick O'Connor- 214691-3400
Attorney, Wills/Estate Planning and Guardianship
Blankenship, Wiland and O'Connor, P.C.

Lisabeth Mims- 214855-5160
Attorney, Wills/Trusts and Guardianship

Stephen E. Dubner- 940-239-7568 Metro 214-257-8818
Attorney and Mediator, Law Office of Stephen E. Dubner
www.dubnerlaw.com

Tresi Weeks - 214-269-4290 972-403-1850
Weeks Law Firm- Plano
info@weekslawfirm.com

Nick Carroccio - 972-348-6368
Nexus Special Care Planning Team
www.nexusadvisorsllc.com

TJ Kroehle - 972-964-3444
Income by Design and Life Planning for Families of Special Needs
www.txlifeplanning.com

Medicaid Waiver Programs

Medicaid Waiver Programs are the best long-term help for children and adults with disabilities in Texas. Some of these programs have yearslong waiting lists so call now to be placed on these interest lists. If your child's name comes up on the list, you can always decline services if you are not interested at that time. Please see the attached handout for detailed information on Medicaid Waiver Programs.

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Medicaid Waiver Programs - General information

- Medicaid Waiver Programs have 8-10 year waiting lists!
- Eligibility based on child's income (not the parents)
- Purpose: to keep a person with disabilities living in the community instead of a nursing home or institution.
- Services may include nursing care, attendant care, respite, therapies, adaptive aids, medical equipment, home modifications, service coordination, pre-vocational services, community living supports, supported employment, assistive technology and more.
- Family **MUST** keep their contact information current; call waiting list numbers
- More information go to:

<http://www.dads.state.tx.us/services/faqs-fact/index.html>

CLASS (Community Living Assistance Support Services)

- Serves individuals with physical disabilities and related conditions occurring before the age of 21. Individuals with intellectual disability may be eligible but not when the primary diagnosis is ID.
- (877) 438-5658 for information and to get on the waiting list

HCS (Home and Community-based Services)

- Serves children and adults who have intellectual disability and certain related conditions (including Autism); must meet functional requirements for MHMR group homes
- For information call the nearest MHMR center
- (Dallas County) -(214) 948-2415 Ebonie Price or (214)948-2412 Mary Alvear
- (Denton County) - (940) 565-5277 Eddie Garcia or Meagan Crowley

TxHmL (Texas Home Living)

- Serves children and adults with intellectual disability; must meet functional eligibility

requirements for MR/ID group homes

- For information contact MHMR office
- (Dallas County) - (214) 948-2415 Ebonie Price or (214) 948-2412 Mary Alvear
- (Denton County) - (940) 565-5277 Eddie Garcia or Meagan Crowley

MDCP (Medically Dependent Children's Program)

- Serves children and youth under 21 who have significant medical disabilities
- (877) 438-5658 for information and to get on the waiting list

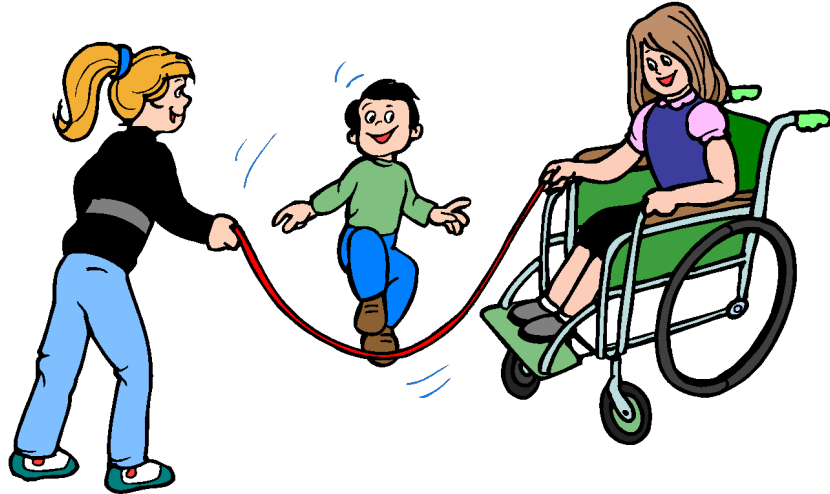
CBA (Community Based Alternatives)

- Serves individuals over the age of 21 with physical disabilities, must meet medical necessity for home nursing care.
- For information and to get on the waiting list, contact DADS* office (888) 337-6377

DB/MD (Deaf-Blind Multiple Disabilities Program)

- Serves individuals who are deaf and blind and have additional disabilities, over the age of 18 years; Must meet functional eligibility requirements for MR/ID group homes
- For information and to get on the waiting list call (877) 438-5658*DADS- Texas

Department of Aging and Disability Services



Recreational Resources for Students with Special Needs

Compiled by the CarrolltoFarmers Branch Adapted PE Department:

Leslie Halencak, M.S. CAPE
Shawna Harryman

ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUNDS

Alison Hardin Playground at Jo Kelly School
201 N Bailey Ave.
Fort Worth, TX

Allan Shivers Park at the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children

2222 Welborn St.

Dallas, TX

Casey's Clubhouse at Dove Park

1509 Hood Lane

Grapevine, TX

Cottonwood Creek Park

4051 N. Story Road

Irving, TX

Fantasy Landing at Kiest Park

3080 S. Hampton Rd.

Dallas, TX

Hope Park

8000 McKinney Rd.

Frisco, TX

Katherine Rose Memorial Park

303 N Walnut Creek Dr.

Mansfield, TX

KidMania at Celebration Park

701 Angel Parkway

Allen, TX

Mary Heads Carter Park

2320 Heads Lane

Carrollton, TX

AQUATICS

Aqua~Fit Swim & Fitness

1400 Summit Ave. D2

Plano, Texas 75074

Froggies 1: Monday 4:30pm with Parent or an Adult (30 minutes)

Froggies 2: Monday 5:45pm Independent Class Swim Only (30 Minutes)

Froggies Gym and Swim: Monday 5:15pm Independent Class Gym and Swim (60 Minutes)

PH: 214-578-7946 (SWIM)

INTERNET: www.aquafitplano.com

Aqua Tots

*Special needs programs are not available at all locations. Please check with your local instructor to see what programs are offered.

DFW Locations: Coppell, Flower Mound, McKinney/Frisco, Plano, Richardson
INTERNET: <http://www.aqua-tots.com/>

Dallas Aquatics

2750BachmanDr.
Dallas, Texas 75220
PH: 214-670-6266
INTERNET: <http://dallasaquatics.org/Search/>

Adapted Aquatic classes offered Mondays & Wednesdays at 11:00 ~~am~~ 12:00 pm.

Emler Swim School

*Special needs programs are not available at all locations. Please check with your local instructor to see what programs are offered.

909 West Stacy Rd., Allen, TX	PH: 972 972-49-SWIM (7946)
11909 Preston Rd., #1422 Dallas, TX	PH: 972 972-1-SWIM (7946)
7151 Preston Rd., Frisco, TX	PH: 469 469-SWIM (7946)
4621 West Park Blvd, Ste #104, Plano, TX	PH: 972-599-SWIM(7946)
280 Commerce, Ste 180 Southlake, TX	PH: 852 852-SWIM (7946)

INTERNET: <http://www.iswimemler.com/>

Paige's Swim School

*Offers small group lessons and private lessons, but not a specific adapted aquatics class.

2301 N. Central Expressway # 140
Plano, Texas 7575
PH: 214-558-7946 (SWIM)
INTERNET: www.paigesswimschool.com

H₂OPE

Presbyterian Hospital (CVC)
5721 Phoenix Dr.
Dallas, TX 75231
Ages 3-18

Texas Health Harris HEB
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
251 Westpark Way
Euless, TX 76040
INTERNET: <http://offthedeependaquatics.com/H2OPE.html>
Ages 3-18

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

Angel T-Ball – Rockwall

214 East Rusk

Rockwall, TX 75087

PH: 972-722-6001

INTERNET: www.gymnasticsleague.org

Buddy League- Garland

PH: 972-972-4149280

INTERNET: www.buddyleague.org/

Buddy Sports (Baseball) Cross Timbers YMCA Greater Lewisville

2021 Cross Timbers Road

Flower Mound, Texas 75028

PH: 972-539-9622

INTERNET:

https://www.ymcadallas.org/locations/cross_timbers/youth_sports/buddy_sports/

Miracle League DFW

PH: 972-514-9985

INTERNET: <http://www.mldfw.org/participate/>

Miracle League Fields Frisco

PO Box 2831

Frisco, Tx 75034

PH: 214-295-6411

*Miracle League Frisco also offers sports training in Baseball, Basketball, Bowling, Football, Soccer & Track

INTERNET: <http://friscomiracleleague.org/>

BASKETBALL

Buddy Program (Basketball) Cross Timbers YMCA– Greater Lewisville

2021 Cross Timbers Road

Flower Mound, Texas 75028

PH: 972-539-9622

INTERNET: <http://www.lewisvilleyymca.org>

Wheelchair Basketball– Bachman Recreation Center

2750 Bachman Dr.

Dallas, Texas 75220

PH: 214670-6266

Saturdays 8:30-9:30

Ages: 5-19 years

The University of Texas Arlington Movin' Mavs

801 West Greek Row #115

Arlington, TX 76019

PH: 817-272-3410

INTERNET: www.uta.edu/movinmavs

Dallas Junior Wheelchair Mavericks Basketball Association

2750 Bachman Drive

P.O. Box 540112

Dallas, TX 75354

INTERNET: <http://www.dallasjuniorwheelchairmavericks.org/>

Seasonal practice is at Bachman Recreation Center on Saturdays.

Ages: 5-18 years

CHEERLEADING

Special Needs Cheerleading "Texas Cutez"

PH: 469-233-2882

INTERNET: www.here4kids.com

Classes are held at Rosemeade Recreation Center in North Carrollton on Sundays from 2:30 to 3:00 pm.

DANCE

Frisco Dance Force: Creative Movement Class

3221 Preston Road # 3

Frisco, Texas 74034

PH: 972-712-6829

The Dance Space

2800 Village Pkwy #710

Highland Village, Texas 75077

PH: 972-966-8555

INTERNET: www.thedancespace.org

The Dancer's Workshop

190 W. Main St.

Lewisville, Texas 75057

PH: 972-420-1314

INTERNET: www.dancers-workshop.com

New creative movement class for mid-to high-functioning children called "Move With the Flow" Wednesdays from 4:14 to 5:15 3:1 ratio

Footlights Dance Studio

2500 Northshore Blvd

Flower Mound, Tx 75028

PH: 972-355-8100

INTERNET: www.footlightsdancestudio.com

EQUESTRIAN

Equest Therapeutic Horsemanship

3800 Troy Road

Wylie, Texas 75098

PH: 972-412-1099

INTERNET: <http://equest.org/>

Therapeutic Riding of Texas (TROT)

1355 FM 664

Waxahachie, Texas 75167

PH: 972-814-3988

INTERNET: <http://4-cstables.com/trot.htm>

Riding Unlimited

9168 T.N. Skiles Road

Ponder, Texas 76259

PH: 940-479-2016

INTERNET: www.ridingunlimited.org

Victory Therapy Center

10600 Dunham Rd.

Roanoke, Texas 76262

PH: 682-831-1323

INTERNET: www.victorytherapy.org

Stable Strides Farm Therapeutic Riding

4400 Withers Avenue

Flower Mound, Texas 75028

PH: 214-616-0870

INTERNET: www.stablestridesfarm.org/

Plano (West) Location

4051 Rosemeade Pkwy

Dallas, Texas 75287

PH: 972-960-1108

INTERNET: www.asigymnastics.com

Allen Location

Gymmie Kids Program (ages-38)

1280 Central Expressway North

Allen, Texas 75013

PH: 469-519-2985

INTERNET: www.asigymnastics.com

Special Needs Gymnastics

North Richland Hills

P.O. Box 822672

North Richland Hills, Texas 76180

PH: 806-438-3227

INTERNET: www.specialneeds-gymnastics.com

North American Gymnastics

1023 E. Seminole Trail

Carrollton, Texas 75005

214-731-1108

<http://here4kids.com/nag>

KICKBALL

Buddy Program (Kickball) Cross Timbers YMCA Greater Lewisville

2021 Cross Timbers Road

Flower Mound, Texas 75028

PH: 972-539-9622

INTERNET: <http://www.lewisvilleyymca.org>

MARTIAL ARTS

ATA Black Belt Academy

3420 Broadway Blvd., Ste. 126

Garland, TX 75043

PH: 972-271-5425 (KICK)

INTERNET: www.garlandata.com/

ATA Black Belt Academy

Offer classes (three times each week) for children with special needs, adapted to their abilities and conditions, and participates in tournaments that offer divisions for special abilities competitors. These instructors have experience working with students with autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and other conditions.

102 Navajo Drive
Keller, TX 76248
PH: 817-337-9493
INTERNET: www.kellerata.com

Red Tiger Karate
PH: 817-845-1557
INTERNET: www.redtigerkarate.com

MOVIES & SPECIAL SCREENINGS

Studio Movie Grill- Movies for families with Special Needs
PH: 866-766-8187
INTERNET: www.studiomoviegrill.com
Saturdays at 11 am. After new release child movie (Saturday after opening weekend)

AMC Theatres Sensory Friendly Films
AMC First The Colony, Firewheel 18, Stonebriar, Mesquite 30, Parks at Arlington
INTERNET: <http://www.amctheatres.com/SFF/>
Four Showings per Month. Saturdays at 10 am, Tuesdays at 7 pm.

PARALYMPIC SPORTS

Paralympic Sport
PH: 817-272-3410
INTERNET: www.usparalympics.org

RECREATION CENTERS:

Garland Therapeutic Recreation Department

Therapeutic Recreation Department
2314 Homestead
Garland, Texas 75044
PH: 972-205-2926
INTERNET: www.ci.garland.tx.us

Garland Buddy League The Buddy League provides recreational opportunities for children with special needs. The league currently is providing Baseball. For Information: 972-414-9280 Ages: 5-18 years

Garland Special Olympics

Garland Special Olympics is a year-round program, which currently offers eight different sports opportunities which includes:

Basketball

Bocce

Bowling

Golf

Softball

Tennis

Volleyball

For Information: 972-205-2926

Ages: 8 and up

Plano Adapted Recreation

1520 K Avenue
Plano, TX 75074

The Plano Parks and Recreation Department provides year-round Adapted Recreation classes for individuals with special needs and disabilities of all ages. These programs are considered recreational, but all have benefits for the well-being of the individual

For Information: 972-941-7272

INTERNET: <https://www.plano.gov/408/AdaptedRecreation>

RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS

Park Cities YMCA

CHAMPS Program
6000 Preston Road
Dallas, Texas
PH: 214-526-7293

INTERNET: http://www.ymcadallas.org/locations/park_cities/

FIT Fencing Institute of Texas Wheelchair Fencing- Farmers Branch

11482 Luna Rd. Ste. 100
Farmers Branch, Texas 75234
PH: 972-444-8498

INTERNET: <http://www.fenceintexas.org/>

Sled Hockey

Dr PepperStarCenter- FarmersBranch

12700N Stemmons Frwy
Farmers Branch, TX 75234
INTERNET: <http://www.swaasports.org/home/sled-hockey>
Practice on Saturdays.

Plano Park and Recreation Plano, Texas
Therapeutic Recreation Department
PH: 972-941-7272

IPAR Therapeutic Recreational Program Irving
825 W. Irving Blvd.
Irving, Texas
PH: 972-721-2600
INTERNET: <http://www.ci.irving.tx.us/814/SpecialNeedsPrograms>

It's A Sensory World
13617 Neutron Rd
Farmers Branch, Texas 75244
PH: 972-239-8100
INTERNET: <http://itsasensoryworld.org/>

Rise Adaptive Sports
P.O. Box 141122
Irving, TX 75014-1122
PH: 469-762-5075
INTERNET: <http://www.riseadaptivesports.org>

Southwest Wheelchair Athletic Association (SWAA) Dallas/Fort Worth
(provides wheelchair basketball, hockey, track, soccer, & other sports)
PO BOX 1389
Hurst, Texas 76053
INTERNET: <http://www.swaasports.org/>

Turning Point–North Texas
403 Pacific Ave.
Terrell, TX 75160
PH: 972-524-4231
INTERNET: www.turningpointnation.org

RECREATIONAL ENTERTAINMENT

Challenge Air–Dallas
PH: 214-351-3353
www.challengeair.com

Fort Worth Zoo
PH: 817-759-7500
www.fortworthzoo.com

Grisham Farms Therapy Zoo INTERNET: <http://www.grishamfarms.org/>
4546 County Road 408
Mckinney, TX 75071
PH: 214-544-7255

SCUBA

Adventures Scuba & Snorkeling Center INTERNET: www.adventurescubaonline.com
2301 North Central Expressway, Ste 140
Plano, Texas 75075
PH: 972-423-3483
Ages 8 and up

SOCIAL

Best Buddies Dallas
4455 LBJ Freeway, Suite 902
Dallas, TX 75244
PH: 214-242-9908
INTERNET: www.bestbuddiestexas.org

SOCCER

North Texas Soccer Association Carrollton
2150 N. Josey Ln, Suite 204
Carrollton, Texas 75006
PH: 972-245-9307
INTERNET: www.cfbsocket.net

Buddy Program (Soccer) Cross Timbers YMCA Greater Lewisville
2021 Cross Timbers Road
Flower Mound, Texas 75028

PH: 972-539-9622
INTERNET: <http://www.lewisvilleymca.org>

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Olympics AREA 10 Greater Dallas Area
400 South Zang, Suite 926
Dallas, TX 75208
PH: 214-943-9981
INTERNET: www.sotx.org

Special Olympics AREA 14 Greater Fort Worth Area

6707 Brentwood Stair Road, Suite 218
Fort Worth, TX 76112
PH: 817-332-3433
INTERNET: www.sotx.org

TENNIS

Dallas Wheelchair Tennis Club
INTERNET: www.dwtc.org

VOLLEYBALL

Buddy Program (Volleyball) Cross Timbers YMCA Greater Lewisville
2021 Cross Timbers Road
Flower Mound, Texas 75028
PH: 972-539-9622 INTERNET: <http://www.lewisvilleyymca.org>

WATER SPORTS

You Can Ski Adaptive Water Sports Dallas
PH: 214-803-9955
INTERNET: www.youcanski.org

Wetzone Waterpark Angel Swim Time
5304 Main Street
Rowlett, Texas 75088
PH: 972-412-6266
INTERNET: www.wetzonewaterpark.com

Wheelchair Accessible Wildlife Viewing Sites in Texas

*This website will link you to numerous wildlife viewing sites in Texas that are wheelchair accessible.

http://tpwd.texas.gov/landwater/land/programs/tourism/wheelchair_access/

YOGA

We Yogis

The Pavilion on Lover's Lane
5600 W. Lovers Lane, Ste 150
Dallas, Texas 75209
PH: 214-351-1229
INTERNET: www.weyogis.com

INTERNET: <https://www.ymcadallas.org/disabilities/>

Angel camp

Angel Camp is a day camp for children with special needs that offers typical day camp activities such as horseback riding, canoeing and basketball along with field trips specially designed for kids with special needs.

Ages: 5-18 years **Location:**J.E.R. Chilton YMCA at Rockwall

Buddy Sports

Buddy Sports is a program specialized for children with special needs and other disabilities that partners them with a buddy who assists them in playing and cheers them on. The sports offered in this program are basketball, baseball, soccer and field hockey.

Ages: 5-15 years **Location:**Cross Timbers YMCA

Aquatics

Swimming programs for children with special needs and other disabilities range from adapted private lessons to Special Olympics swimming team.

Ages: varies by location and activity

Location:Coppell, Grand Prairie, J.E.R. Chilton YMCA at Rockwall

RESOURCES:

Region 10 ESC Special Populations Sports and Resources for Students with Disabilities

<http://www.region10.org/r10website/assets/File/apealldis.pdf>

<http://www.dfwchild.com>

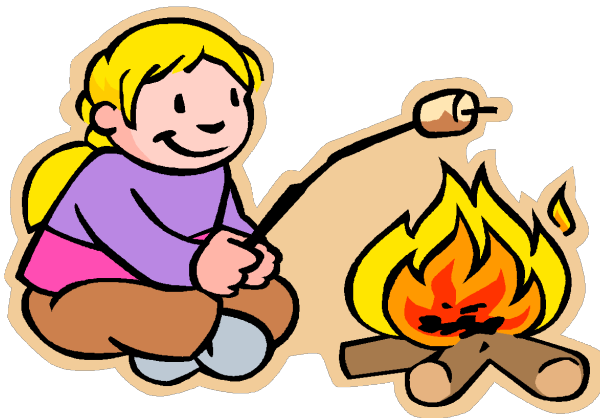
<http://www.garlandparks.com/gov/lq/parks/default.asp>

<http://www.dallasparks.org>

<https://www.ymcadallas.org/disabilities/>

<http://tpwd.texas.gov/>

<http://www.specialneedskidsdirectory.com/recreationresourcesp1>



CAMP Resources

For Students with Special Needs

Compiled by the Carrollton Farmers Branch Adapted PE Department:

Leslie Halencak, M.S. CAPE
Shawna Harryman

Adventure Camp at Lake Pointe Church

Rockwall, TX

www.lakepointe.org

Offers programs for persons with special needs Monday-Friday during school breaks and summer to provide respite to caregivers.

PH: (469) 6982310

ARC of Dallas Adventure Camp

Dallas, TX

www.arcdallas.org

Provides spring and summer day camp care for children and teens ages 5-17 with special needs.

PH: (214) 6349810

The Behavior Exchange

Plano, TX

www.behaviorexchange.com

Summer camps include: socialization, recreation, art, music, academics, and nature and science. The Behavior Exchange specializes in: attention deficits, autism, language delays, behavior issues, learning differences and other special needs.

PH: (972) 3128733

Camp Blessing

Tomball, TX

Camp Blessing Texas welcomes persons 7 years and older with a primary diagnosis of a physical or intellectual disability. Camp Blessing Texas also invites all siblings, ages 13, 7 of our campers to be a camper themselves. Older siblings (age 14+) have the opportunity to volunteer at camp.

PH: (281) 2595789

Camp C.A.M.P. (Children's Association for Maximum Potential)

Near San Antonio, TX

<http://www.campcamp.org/>

Provides a wide range of recreational, rehabilitative, educational, and respite services for children with developmental disabilities and their families.

PH: (210) 6745411

Camp CarDo – Ft. Worth YMCA

Ft. Worth, TX

<http://www.ymcafw.org>

A week of day camp for children ages 6-12 who are blind or visually impaired.

PH: (817)7389241

Camp Do It All

Coppell, TX

<http://www.coppelltx.gov/parks/camps>

A day camp offered during the summer to kids ages 10 with special needs.

PH: (972) 4625100 or (972) 307077

Camp for All

Burton, TX

<http://www.campforall.org/>

This barrier free facility in Washington County hosts numerous camp programs for chronically ill or disabled children.

PH: (Office) (713) 686666

PH: (Campsite) (979) 283752

Camp LIFE (offered by Texas A&TM University)

Burton, TX (Camp for All)

<http://fsn.tamu.edu/camplife.htm>

Camp LIFE was created to promote an inclusive environment for all kids. We accept children with a variety of special needs including, but not limited to, autism, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, epilepsy, intellectual disabilities, visual impairments, hearing impairments and spina bifida. It is our goal to never turn away a child due to his or her disability. Children with disabilities between the ages of 5 and 21 and their siblings are eligible to attend Camp LIFE.

PH: (979) 8454612

Camp John Marc

Dallas, TX

<http://www.campjohnmarc.org>

United Cerebral Association of Texas hosts an inclusive weekend camp each semester at Camp John Marc for children with disabilities and their friends and/or siblings ages 7-16

PH: (214) 3600056

Camp Sign

Conroe, TX

Camp Sign is for deaf or hard of hearing youth aged 7-17. It is an outdoor training camp with various physical activities that teach leadership skills and 911 awareness. Physical activities on the rocky terrain are not designated for wheelchair users.

PH: (512) 4073250

Camp Smiles (offered by Easter Seals of Greater Houston, TX)

Burton, TX (Camp for All)

<http://www.eastersealshouston.org>

Camp Smiles is a weekend overnight camp for children ages 6-14 with cerebral palsy or similar neurological disorders. The facilities include modifications and features to meet the needs of special campers. The campsite includes activities such as archery, canoeing, fishing, horseback riding, a ropes course, and swimming. Camp Smiles counselors act as "buddies", one to each camper.

PH: (713) 8389050 ext. 309

Camp SOL, Inc.

Dallas, TX

<http://www.campsol.org/>

CAMP SOL, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that provides support to families who have experienced the death of a child. Services benefit families who have children 18 or younger remaining in the home. All services are free to families and their children.

PH: (214) 4568119

Camp Summit

270 Private Rd. 3475

Paradise, TX

www.campsummittx.org

Provides a barrier free outdoor experience that promotes personal growth and fosters independence for children and adults with disabilities.

Developmental delays, multiple disabilities, physical disabilities, deaf/blind

PH: (972) 4848900

Camp Sweeney

Gainesville, TX

<https://www.campsweeney.org/>

A day camp that teaches campers about diabetes and healthy life styles.

PH: (940) 655-2011

Camp T.E.A.M.S. (offered by DARS Blind Services Division)

Burton, TX (Camp for All)

A camp for teens with sight impairments.

PH: (713) 8023112

Camp Xtreme (Houston, TX)

Burton, TX (Camp for All)

Camp Xtreme strives to develop a higher level of independence through self awareness and resource awareness for children and young adults with physical disabilities through participation in a proactive environment of role modeling and self discovery.

PH: (210) 2442508

Charis Hills

Sunset, TX

<http://www.charishills.org>

Charis Hills is a Christian, coed, residential summer camp which helps kids with Learning differences build confidence and find success. We welcome kids with ADHD, LD, ED, and Asperger's. Located in the beautiful Texas Hill Country!

PH: (940) 9642145

Funtastics Camp

Funtastics Summer Day Camp Program provides youth with disabilities in Carrollton, Texas, and surrounding communities with enriching educational, and purposeful summer recreation and leisure experiences in safe environment, supportive and independence.

www.cityofcarrollton.com

PH: (972) 4669808 or (972) 4669151

HEROES Special Needs Camp

Richardson, TX

www.fumcr.com/pages/children_HEROES

Offers an inclusive day camp setting for children and young adults with special needs; includes focus on recreation, leisure, development of independence.

PH: (972) 2358385

MDA Summer Camp

<http://www.cookchildrens.org/ForPatientsFamilies/Programs/Camps/campmda/Pages/default.aspx>

Camp for individuals with Muscular Dystrophy and neuromuscular disease.

PH: (888) 548-9716

Ranch Camp

Elgin, TX

<http://www.downhomeranch.org/>

Ranch Camp is a seven day long camp for teens and adults who have Intellectual Disabilities.
PH: (888) 926-2253

SEEK Camp

Bridgeport, TX

www.seekcamp.org

SEEK Camp is for campers who are physically and/or mentally challenged. They have two camps for children/youth. The first is for children ages 10, and the second is for youth 15-20. All activities are designed to accommodate the special needs of the campers.

PH: (903) 6541605

Special Farmers Camp

Athens, TX

<http://www.activitytree.com/provider/specialfarmers/daycamp+nature-and-animals+specialneeds/TX+athens+75752/26871/21119/>

This camp offers Gardening and animal care/farm skills/social activities in the Community for non-verbal children, self-help skills, and children who need social skills training.

PH: (903) 2929848

Special Recreation Service (SRS)

Houston, TX

SRS provides individualized services and supports to persons with mental retardation who are living with their family, living in their own apartment or home, or in a small group home or other residential setting. SRS also operates a Camp during the summer months in 3 different sessions. During the rest of the year SRS offers weekend camps on the 3rd weekend of the month. Call for dates, costs and other details.

PH: (713) 9286899

Texas Elks Camp

Gonzales, TX

<http://texaselkscamp.org/>

Orthopedic, auditory, visual impairments, mental retardation and orthopedic impairments

PH: (830) 8752425

Texas Lion's Camp

Kerville, TX

<http://lionscamp.com/>

Texas Lions Camp is a residential camping facility for children with physical disabilities, type 1 diabetes and cancer.

PH: (830) 8968500

The Camp That Love Built

Spina Bifida Association of Houston Gulf Coast

Houston, TX 77060
www.sbahgc.org/camp.html
PH: (281) 447-2707

TIRR Sports Camp

Houston, TX
<http://www.memorialhermann.org/locations/tirr/content.aspx?id=1250>
Children with physical disabilities
PH: (713) 7975928

Resources:

Dallas Child Magazine 2016
Camps for Kids with Special Needs
<http://www.angelfire.com/tx6/portfolio1/specialkids.htm>
Texas Special Needs Camps
<http://www.mysummertcamps.com/camps/texaspecialneeds.html>
Region 10 ESC Special Populations CAMResources for Students with Disabilities
<http://www.region10.org/r10website/assets/File/apecampres%281%29.pdf>
Texas Occupational Therapy Associations (TOTA)website
<http://www.tota.org>
Very Special Camps Camps and Programs for Children with Special Needswebsite
<http://www.veryspecialcamps.com/Texas/SpecialNeedsSummerCamps.shtml>

Carrollton-Farmers Branch Special Olympics Team, the Cyclones

*Special Olympics training program offers basketball, flag football, aquatics, bocce, track & field, bowling

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Local Sheltered Workshops:

Ability Connections - Dallas
Mosaic – Carrollton
Metrocrest Area Rehab – Carrollton
Citizens Developmental Center - Dallas
Special Abilities of North Texas- Flower Mound and Lewisville www.specialabilities.net

Local Day Habilitation Centers:

Achievement Texas - Garland
Metrocrest – Carrollton
My Possibilities University
My Possibilities University
3601 Mapleshade Ln. Plano, TX 75075
Plano, TX 75075
PH: 469-241-9100
INTERNET: <http://www.mypossibilities.org/>

Our Hearts - Lewisville
Aspire - Lewisville
ARC - Frisco
Special Abilities of North Texas – Lewisville & Flower Mound
Emma’s House- Irving

AFIL – Residential

NavigateLifeTexas.org