



# Dear Camp Accomplish Community,

Camp Accomplish is more than a place—it is a powerful reminder of what's possible when a community comes together.

For more than 25 years, Camp Accomplish, operated by Melwood, has provided the kind of safe, secure environment needed for children with and without disabilities to experience the magic of summer.

Now in our second year of collaboration with Children's National Hospital, and with help and support from families, volunteers, donors, providers, and students, we've built upon last year's foundation to expand what's possible for campers and staff alike. We introduced new, meaningful ways for campers with disabilities and chronic health conditions—along with their friends, siblings and allies—to experience summer side by side.



# Here, we are all able to grow

We expanded educational opportunities for nursing and occupational therapy students. By integrating hands-on learning into the daily rhythm of camp, we fostered an environment where emerging professionals could grow their skills while building deep, human connections with campers.

We added meaningful improvements that enhanced the camper experience. Our new relaxation station, with hammocks; our expanded sensory-friendly programming; and our enlarged gaga ball pit aren't simply features—they are opportunities for campers to have fun, feel supported, and be empowered.

With your generous support, we once again provided financial assistance to every family who requested it—ensuring that cost never stands in the way of inclusion.

Here, campers are not just cared for—they are celebrated. Whether it's mastering the ropes course, learning to ride a horse, or simply making a new friend, every experience at Camp Accomplish is made possible by the community that surrounds it.

Thank you for being part of our community where we're all able to grow.

With heartfelt gratitude,











# Thank you Greater Washington Community

Camp Accomplish was named a finalist in the 2025 Washington Parent Magazine Picks awards!

We are pleased to be recognized in the categories of: "Sleepaway Camps" and "Therapeutic Recreation Camps."

This honor is only possible with the support of our amazing community, including families, counselors, volunteers, and medical staff from Children's National who help make Camp Accomplish a warm, welcoming, safe place to learn, grow, and explore. We are proud to safely empower our campers to be bold, meet and make new friends, try new hobbies, and prove to themselves just how much they can accomplish if they believe in themselves and their dreams.





# To our providers: Thank you.

Your presence brought comfort, safety, and a sense of possibility to our campers and their families. With your expertise and care, children were able to fully participate—whether they were climbing the ropes course, exploring nature, or simply enjoying the freedom of summer. You helped make camp a place where young people with chronic health conditions and disabilities felt seen, supported, and included. Beyond clinical care, you offered kindness, patience, and encouragement that shaped each child's experience. You helped create a camp environment filled with trust, fun, and meaningful connections.

We are deeply grateful for your time, your partnership, and the heart you brought to camp this year.

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\* Signifies staff who attended camp multiple weeks











# Equestrian Adventures with Promise Landing Farm

One of the most beloved aspects of Camp Accomplish is our collaboration with Promise Landing Farm (PLF), whose unique approach to fully inclusive, equestrian-centered therapy allows campers of all ages and the broader Charles County community to feel empowered, supported, and celebrated for their unique strengths and achievements. Through this partnership, campers and community members alike have opportunities to engage in equestrian-centered activities that foster confidence, connection, and joy. By showing us the therapeutic benefits of working with animals, PLF allows all of us to embrace a shared love for horses, gain a deeper understanding of ourselves and each other, and demonstrate our shared commitment to our community. PLF's commitment to inclusive programming aligns perfectly with the Camp Accomplish mission, making it possible for children, injured veterans, firefighters, and others to experience the therapeutic and empowering benefits of working with horses in a safe, supportive environment.

Thank you, Promise Landing Farm!

# **Letters from Camp**



I love when campers and counselors cheer me on—not because I'm the best singer. But because at Camp Accomplish, we celebrate each other for exactly who we are.

### **CHASE**

AGE 13

### CHASE

Nothing makes me feel happier than when I'm singing on the stage at the talent show at Camp Accomplish.

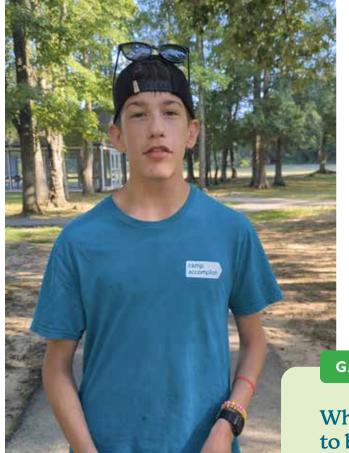
Getting that kind of acceptance and support means so much to me — especially because I'm not like other kids my age. I was born with a heart condition called atrioventricular septal defect. I've had seven surgeries so far, and I take medication every day to stay healthy. The kids I go to school with don't really understand what it's like to have that kind of experience.

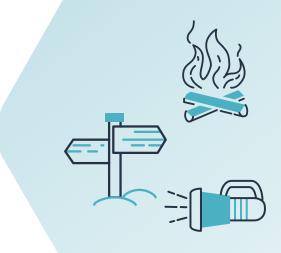
At Camp Accomplish, I get to be with other kids who have conditions like mine—and some who don't. I like hearing everyone's story. I like being able to tell my story, too. At Camp Accomplish, I know I'm not going to be judged or looked at differently because I have a chronic health condition.

Camp Accomplish helps me feel proud of who I am—not just because of what I've been through, but because of what I can do. At camp I learn to manage my atrioventricular septal defect, and I get to do it knowing I'm not alone.









**GAVIN** 

When you live with a disability, it's easy to be judged by others. It happens to me all the time.

I have cerebral palsy. At some point before my birth, my brain was damaged, which impacts my walking. I have trouble controlling my muscles and my left side often gets more stiff.

I like to think of myself as a typical teenager—I like music, play trumpet, make beats on my computer, and I'm always joking—but I know others don't always see me that way.

People stare—a lot. People who don't know me don't understand that my disability is only physical. It's not mental and it doesn't impact my ability to communicate.

That's what I love about Camp Accomplish. This is one place where I can go and know I'm not going to get looks or stares. I'm simply going to be accepted for who I am. Everyone who comes to this camp gets treated the same way—like the unique individuals that we are.

I've been coming to Camp Accomplish for four years, and this year I'm a counselor in training. When I come back next year as a counselor, I'll get to be the kind of role model to others that my counselors have been to me.

My camp experience has only reinforced my belief that you can't judge a book by its cover. Kids are smarter than you think.



Camp removes the noise and doubt in your head and allows you to focus on being you, building your strengths, gaining confidence, and learning more about how to live with and embrace what makes you different.

### **GAVIN**

AGE 17

# **Expanding Our Horizons**



# New Spaces and Rediscovered Adventures

This year brought exciting enhancements to Camp Accomplish, thanks to generous supporters and dedicated volunteers. With the help of Children's National and the Taishoff Family Foundation, we unveiled a new modular building that offers indoor space during unpredictable weather. One side of

the building now hosts crafts and other activities, while the other provides a cozy "calm corner" with books, puzzles, Legos, and soft seating for campers who need a break.

At CorpFest in May 2025, DAVIS Construction built a brand-new relaxation station—a sturdy wooden structure designed by team leader Shawn Good, a Southern Maryland father whose family has benefitted from Melwood's programs. Without formal plans, Shawn created the design from scratch to meet camp's needs, ensuring it was strong enough for both kids and adults. Outfitted with hammocks, it guickly became a favorite spot for campers and staff to relax and connect with nature.

We also reactivated two high ropes elements—the Quickflight free fall and the Challenge Pole,

nicknamed the "Eiffel Tower." These thrilling activities became possible through expanded training for our ropes and camp staff, ensuring both safety and accessibility.



Through our ongoing collaboration with Children's National, Camp Accomplish extended its reach directly into the health care setting with our Camp Connections initiative. This meaningful program brought the joy and community spirit of camp directly to families navigating outpatient medical challenges, transforming the Children's National main atrium into a vibrant space filled with camp activities, interactive games like magnatiles and lawn games, and the warm welcome that defines the Camp Accomplish experience. Families visiting the hospital were able to take home camp swag and coloring books while learning about the camp opportunities available to them, creating connections and hope during what can often be stressful hospital visits. Looking ahead, our collaboration with Children's National will again include participation in the spina bifida team's Walk-n-Roll event and the neurofibromatosis family day, further demonstrating our commitment to meeting families where they are and ensuring that every child, regardless of their medical journey, knows they have a place in the Camp Accomplish community.

# Help Us Reach Every Child

Thanks to donors like you, we can offer scholarships and ensure that financial barriers never prevent a child from experiencing the joy of camp.



GIVE TODAY



# Extending Impact Beyond Summer: The Seed-toTable Program

Following the conclusion of Camp Accomplish's transformative summer experience, our Seed-to-Table program continued to nurture the seeds of healthy living and community connection through sessions that kept families engaged yearround. At 10 dedicated sessions held outside of camp time, approximately 40 unique participants had the opportunity to deepen their understanding of sustainable food practices, gardening techniques, and nutritious meal preparation. The flexible format allowed families to participate based on their availability, with some attending every session while others joined when their schedules permitted, ensuring that no family was excluded from continuing their Seed-to-Table journey.

# Inspiring Future Scientists: METEOR Program Visit and Nursing Student Experience

Camp Accomplish welcomed 14 students from METEOR (Mentored Experiences to Expand Opportunities in Research), a prestigious neuroscience program at Children's National Hospital. These motivated high school and college students, who spend their summers conducting hands-on biomedical and clinical research, visited camp to learn how inclusive programming supports the holistic well-being of children with and without disabilities and chronic health conditions. The visit highlighted our strong partnership with Children's National, offering students a real-world view of pediatric advocacy—while our campers were inspired by meeting young people dedicated to advancing medical research for their communities.

Additionally, nursing students from the College of Southern Maryland joined Camp Accomplish in a unique capacity—not as health care providers, but as camp counselors. Immersed in daily activities alongside campers, these students gained firsthand insight into the diverse disabilities and chronic health conditions represented at camp, deepening their understanding of disability in a real-world, relational context.



# **Dream With Us**

At Camp Accomplish, we envision a future where our medical cabin is not just a place of care-but a cornerstone of comfort, accessibility, and innovation. Imagine a thoughtfully designed space with single rooms for providers, two dedicated sick bays, and a central triage area that functions like an urgent care hub. A laundry room connected to the health center improves convenience, and four ADA-friendly bathrooms, along with ample storage, would support daily operations. Office space for medical staff would allow for private calls and meetings, and a covered porch offers a welcoming area for campers awaiting medication. With accessible doors, no thresholds to hinder mobility, a kitchenette for staff, and a cozy lounge for both campers and caregivers, this dream cabin would elevate the camp experience for everyone. Together, with your support, we can turn this vision into a reality, creating a space where care meets compassion and every camper feels safe, seen, and supported.

# When you invest in Camp Accomplish

you're not just funding activities—you're creating life-changing moments that campers carry with them forever.



GIVE TODAY



# **Year-Round Community Impact**

Beyond our summer camp programming, the Melwood Recreation Center serves as a hub for community support throughout the year. Our Spooktacular and Eggstravaganza & Spring Festival events are also held on site, inviting the entire community to share the magic of our Recreation Center. We proudly host Jude House retreats one weekend each month for 10 months annually, providing crucial respite and support for families navigating recovery journeys. Our facilities also welcome Scouting groups for weekend programs, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to serving diverse communities year-round.

# Camp Accomplish by the Numbers



108

Acres



9

Weeks of Summer



311

Campers Served



216

Scholarship Weeks Awarded



**56** 

Campers were Multiple-Week Attendees



100%

Funds were awarded toward all scholarship requests



282

Campers (91%) had a Disability or Chronic Health Condition



141

**Returning Campers** 



47%

of Campers were girls; 51% were boys; 2% nonbinary or trans



98%

of Campers came from the DMV. Some came from as far as California, Delaware, Missouri, North Carolina, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania.



**12** 

Counselors In Training



**55** 

Counselors and Seasonal Employees



122

Corporate and Staff Volunteers



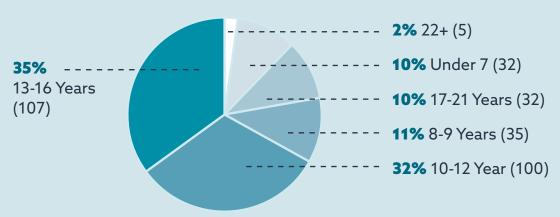
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Doctors, Nurses, Pharmacists, and Medical Staff

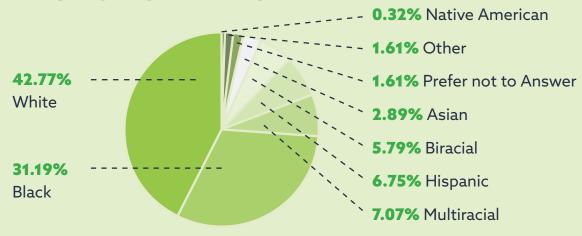


# **Camp Accomplish Campers**





# **RACE OF CAMPERS**





# CAMP ACCOMPLISH SATISFACTION SURVEY

After each camp experience, campers and guardians were asked to report how satisfied they were with Camp Accomplish in a voluntary survey. These are some of the results from that survey.



96%

of guardians who responded said their child greatly enjoyed camp/camp activities



96%

of campers who responded say they felt more accepted and included by their peers



# CAMPERS EXPERIENCED GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

Of those who responded, many campers reported developing positive characteristics at camp.

Campers reported learning a little or a lot about:

96%

How to feel good about things you do well

95%

How to be a better friend to other people

93%

How to be better at making friends

94%

How to do more for yourself

89%

How to fix mistakes when you make them

93%

How to speak up and share your needs

# **Conditions Served**

ADHD/ADD

**Amplified** 

musculoskeletal pain

syndrome

Angelman syndrome

Ankylosing spondylitis

Anxiety

Aphasia

Apraxia

ARFID

Arthritis

Arthrogryposis

Asthma

Auditory processing

disorder

Autism\*

Autoimmune encephalitis

Bipolar disorder

Blindness

Celiac disease

Cerebral palsy\*

Chromosome 15Q

triplication

Congenital heart disease\*

Congenital limb

difference

Cortical visual impairment

Craniosynostosis

Cystic fibrosis

Developmental delays

Disruptive behavior

disorder

Down syndrome

Dysarthria

Dysgraphia

Dyslexia

Eczema

Eosinophilic esophagitis

Epilepsy\*

Exotropia

Expressive language delay

Fatty liver disease

Fetal alcohol syndrome

Global developmental

delay

Graves' disease

Hashimoto's thyroiditis

Head injury

Hearing impaired

Heart murmur

Hemiplegia

Hidradenitis suppurativa

Homonymous

hemianopia

**HUWE1** abnormality

Hydrocephalus\*

Hypermobile Ehlers-

Hypermobile Ehlers Danlos syndrome

Hypothyroidism

Hypotonia

Insomnia

Intellectual disability\*

Kawasaki disease

Klinefelter syndrome

Lennox-Gastaut

syndrome

Lupus

Lyme disease

Megalencephalypolymicrogyriapolydactyly-

hydrocephalus syndrome

Microdeletion syndrome

Mixed express language

disorder

Myringotomy bilateral

Neuromuscular

conditions

Non-verbal learning

disability

Obsessive-compulsive

disorder

Pediatric Acute-Onset

Neuropsychiatric

Syndrome (PANS)

Post-traumatic stress

disorder

Prader-Willi Syndrome

**Psoriasis** 

Pulmonary hypertension

Scoliosis

Short-term memory

issues

Sickle cell anemia\*

Speech/language

disability

Spina bifida\*

Spinal cord Injuries

SYNGAP1 condition

Tourette syndrome\*

Tuberous sclerosis

complex

Type 1 diabetes\*



\* Conditions for which Camp Accomplish offers specialty camps.





# Safe. Fun. Unforgettable.



Brian and Sloane had an incredible time. This is their favorite camp of the year, and Brian has been to many cancer camps and still tells me this is his favorite camp to come to. It's so welcoming and fun, and such a great experience for him to get to be around other kids with disabilities.

**NORA,** MOTHER OF CAMPERS BRIAN AND SLOANE





One of the real bright spots of my week has been picking up Ben every day. It is wonderful to see him so happy after such long days away from home. His smile at day's end and enthusiasm when getting ready first thing in the morning are a testament to the work and heart you and your team put into making a safe, inclusive, and engaging space. I'm so excited that his summer experience is just beginning!

**BRYAN, FATHER OF CAMPER BEN** 





I have sickle cell. When I was younger I got pain, especially in severe weather or if I was doing too much. Camp is the place that educated me about my disease and helped me learn to navigate my body more. Now. I'm a counselor. I want to pass on the experience I had to younger kids. I want them to know that being different is a good thing. It can be lonely, but at camp you're never alone. It's important to lean in and embrace who you are.

**CHARITY,** AGE 22, CAMP ACCOMPLISH CAMP COUNSELOR





Camp is just fun. The activities are good and the counselors are nice. I'm blind—but that hasn't stopped me from participating. I really enjoyed archery. When I came last year I got so good at it. This year I went on a large swing. I've never done anything like that before. It was scary at first but given the opportunity I would definitely do it again.

**AGNES, AGE 12** 



I want to be a doctor when I grow up and this camp will definitely give me a leg up on that. It's such a unique experience to be around kids with life experiences that are different than mine. It's really cool to learn about and I think it's a great community.

**GRACE, AGE 14** 





When I'm serving at Camp
Accomplish, I place a lot of
importance on educating campers.
I want to empower campers, teach
them about their condition and
how to advocate for themselves,
especially for those who are
transitioning to adult independence.
Outside of my role as a medical
provider, the highlight for me is the
talent show. It's great to see what
the campers come up with for their
talent and what they want to share
with the group.

SINAN TURNACIOGLU, MD,
NEURODEVELOPMENTAL PEDIATRICIAN

# Camp Accomplish **Donor Honor Roll**

Special thanks to the passionate donors who supported the 2025 Camp Accomplish season, raising more than \$571,000 in restricted gifts to ensure that children with and without disabilities and chronic health conditions could experience a fun and memorable week of summer camp.



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# The Cost of Camp

**2025 CAMP SEASON** 

\$1,774,359\*

\*This figure includes approximately \$400,000 in nursing and medical expenses born by Children's National Hospital.



\$3,987

average cost per enrollment

What Melwood charges to keep camp affordable for families



\$550

day camp



\$1,250

overnight camp

\$188,002

tuition collected from families.

\$47,072

was collected from third parties who cover the cost of children to participate in camp.



The balance,

\$1,539,285

is covered by the generosity of Melwood and Children's National Hospital donors, and the margins off of Melwood's social enterprise.

These are unaudited financials for the Camp Accomplish program. Due to the camp season crossing fiscal years for Melwood, the figures above represent a snapshot of this program's finances. Audited financials for Melwood are available on <a href="https://www.melwood.org">www.melwood.org</a>.



# A Special Thank You To Our Volunteers

It takes a village to operate a summer camp.

It takes a village to operate a summer camp, and we are so thankful to the tight-knit community that is Camp Accomplish—including the many corporate and individual volunteers who gave their time and talents to assist with events, beautify our campgrounds, and help us prepare for the season. During CorpFest 2025, more than 100 volunteers came together to complete 20 different projects that helped enhance the camp experience for campers during the 2025 season.



# 100% of every gift made to Camp Accomplish

is used to directly support campers and camp programming.



Make your gift today and help more children experience the magic of Camp Accomplish.









# A Special Thank You to the Lambert Foundation

In collaboration with Children's National Hospital, the Gerard B. Lambert Foundation joined leaders from Children's National Hospital and Melwood for a tour of Camp Accomplish in August.

Joining Children's National CEO Michelle Riley-Brown, Larysa Kautz, Melwood president & CEO and other leaders from both organizations, Thomas Lloyd of the Lambert Foundation and his wife Hadley took in the sights and sounds of Camp Accomplish. Together they joined campers in STEM and creative arts experiences, engaged with CNH providers who were on site providing expert medical care, and watched as campers with chronic health conditions and disabilities soared through the air on the high ropes course and zip line.







# Joanne Marie Hathway Diabetes Camp Endowment



Don Hathway, a Board Member, former Board Chairman, and faithful advocate for Melwood, along with his wife Debbie, know all too well the challenges faced by a family when their child is diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes (T1D). Two of their three children have been diagnosed with this disease.

Don and Debbie lost their daughter Joanne to T1D in 2023. Joanne was just 38, had lived with T1D since she was 16 months old, and devoted her career to health economics research.

In collaboration with the Board of Directors and Hathway family and friends, Melwood created the Joanne Marie Hathway Diabetes Camp Endowment to support Camp Take Charge. This permanent endowment will provide scholarship and programmatic support each year, allowing children learning to manage life with T1D to enjoy camp with their peers. To date, over \$204,000 has been raised in memory of Joanne.

If you would like to support this fund, contact Robbi Woodson at <a href="mailto:rwoodson@melwood.org">rwoodson@melwood.org</a>.

# With Deep Appreciation to The Wills Group





Thank you to The Wills Group for your generous support of Melwood and Camp Accomplish!

The Wills Group, parent company of Dash In and Splash In, has been an incredible partner to Camp Accomplish and Seed-to-Table through philanthropy, in-kind services, and volunteerism that helps more children with and without disabilities and chronic health conditions experience an unforgettable summer.

During CorpFest 2025, nearly 50 Wills Group volunteers tackled projects around camp—from painting fences near the horses to creating colorful murals and street games. "Helping out is a joy," said employee Lorissa. "We really enjoy doing things like this as a team."

Beyond CorpFest, The Wills Group hosted Melwood's Business Connections event and volunteered in our Learning Garden, demonstrating their ongoing community commitment.



# 2026 Camp Accomplish Camp Schedule

### JUNE 22-26, 2026

Inclusive Day Camp

## **JUNE 28-JULY 3, 2026**

Camp Imagine 1 (Inclusive Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Camp) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

## JULY 5-10, 2026

Camp Head Strong (Hydrocephalus) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

Camp Super Bifida (Spina bifida) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

## JULY 12-17, 2026

Camp Great Rock (Epilepsy) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

Camp Take Hold (Cerebral Palsy) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

# JULY 19-24, 2026

Camp Heartbeat (Heart Disease) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

Super Camper Always (Sickle Cell) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

Camp Renal Rockstars (Chronic Kidney Disease) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

## JULY 26-31, 2026

Camp Take Charge (Type 1 Diabetes)\*\*

## **AUGUST 2-7, 2026**

Camp Connect (Autism/TS) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

Camp New Friends (Neurofibromatosis) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

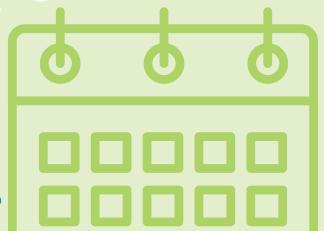
## **AUGUST 9-14, 2026**

Camp Imagine 2 (Inclusive Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Camp) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

## **AUGUST 16-21, 2026**

Camp Next Horizon (Adults with Disabilities) and Siblings, Friends and Allies

\*\*Siblings, friends and allies are welcome at day camp, but spaces for overnight camp are reserved for campers with Type 1 diabetes.





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2025 After Camp Report