



Founded in 2004, by a small group of parents of children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), our mission is to support individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder, and their families, by expanding and enhancing opportunities to improve quality of life.

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We are excited to announce the 11th summer of our Social Skills Program for Children with Autism in collaboration with the Greater Rochester YMCA, which will take place **July 10 - August 18, 2017**. This program is open to children ages 4-16 with Autism Spectrum Disorder and related disabilities. Children are fully integrated into daily camp activities.

**Camp Arrowhead**  
Pittsford, NY

**Camp Bay View**  
Webster, NY

Half Day, \$550 for 2 weeks  
Full, Day, \$900 for 2 weeks

**Financial Assistance** is available for this program through AutismUp's Richard and Nancy Dorschel Family Foundation and by YMCA's Invest in Youth Campaign.

Some children will be eligible to participate in one 2-week session at no cost through a **Family Support Services Grant** from the Finger Lakes DDRO.

**Goals of the Program** (parents choose 3)

1. Make simple choices
2. Share personal space with other campers
3. Engage in turn-taking games
4. Transition from one activity to another with minimal support
5. Successfully enter into an unfamiliar or uncomfortable environment
6. Self-monitor his/her anxiety, and communicate appropriately his/her needs to reduce that anxiety
7. Listen to another peer and engage in a conversational exchange
8. Appropriately initiate a conversation or interaction with another peer
9. Accept losing and/or acknowledge disappointment when losing
10. Understand the difference between expected and unexpected behavior, and its implications