

## 2020 Campership Application

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### Required Financial Information

This section **MUST** be completed to qualify for a campership.

Household Size: (# of)

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Household Income \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of: SSI \_\_\_\_\_

SSDI \_\_\_\_\_

TANF \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information provided on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent or Guardian signature if under 18)

## Program Requirements

The following documents are required with your application:

- Application completed in full
- Copy of birth certificate, if new
- Copy of annual income tax statement or W-2 form, TANF and/or SSI/SSDI check or statement, current year
- Copy of child's cover page and evaluation stating diagnosis from the IEP for current year.

You must include proof/copies of income for **all people living in the household**, no matter the relation to the camper. Failure to do so will result in ineligibility for an award.

Once you receive notification verifying your award, **you must contact the camp/program to secure placement. PCIL does not register individuals for camp.**

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Submit the completed application to:

**Progressive Center  
Attn: 2020 Campership  
3635 Quakerbridge Rd, Ste 40  
Hamilton, NJ 08619**

If application is faxed, call or e-mail Reed Thomas to confirm receipt.



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for Independent Living, Inc.  
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Hamilton, NJ 08619  
www.PCIL.org

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## 2020

## Mercer County Summer Campership Award Program

### Managed by

*The Progressive Center  
for Independent Living, Inc.*

Applications must be received

by **Friday, April 24, 2020**  
**4:30 p.m.**

**ABSOLUTELY NO  
EXCEPTIONS!**

### Contact

Reed Thomas  
Phone: 609.581.4500  
Fax: 609.581.4555  
reed.thomas@pcil.org

## Campership Award Program

The County of Mercer, NJ awards funds to its residents ages 4 to 25 who have a disability to attend a summer program/camp of their choice from Memorial Day through Labor Day.

The 2020 Camp Scholarships will be awarded on a **first come - first serve basis**. The amount of the award is dependent upon annual household



income and the total members living in the household.

The Progressive Center (PCIL) anticipates many campership requests; therefore, no applications will be accepted after the **deadline of Friday, April 24, 2020, at 4:30 p.m.**

We strongly urge families to return application and required documents early; funds may run out before the deadline.

This brochure/application also is available at

[www.pcil.org](http://www.pcil.org)

Under the Programs Tab



## Assistance

Many times, the camp requests a deposit to be mailed with their application. This deposit is your responsibility and should be included with the camp application. Please note that any expenses beyond the awarded campership are to be covered by the parent/guardian.

Additional information on accessible camps is available at **PCIL**

The Mercer County Summer Campership Award program is sponsored by the County of Mercer, Aging & Disability Resource Center  
**Brian M. Hughes**  
County Executive



Progressive Center for Independent Living NJ

## Questions to ask the Camp Director

Before enrolling a child in a summer camp program, parents should ask the camp director the following questions:



- ✓ What is the ratio of campers and counselors?
- ✓ What percentage of campers and staff return to the camp each year?
- ✓ How is staff screened? Are references checked for all staff having access to children, including aides and drivers?
- ✓ What is a typical day like; is it structured?
- ✓ How will the camp deal with the specific needs of my child?
- ✓ How is medication distributed and by whom?
- ✓ What type of medical insurance does the camp carry?
- ✓ Ask for a typical menu. Is there a snack area/cafeteria?



- ✓ If a mainstreamed camp, have they had children with disabilities before? How was the situation handled and was it successful?
- ✓ Ask for the location of the local hospital.
- ✓ Who does my child go to if he or she has a problem with his or her counselor?
- ✓ What is the camp's refund policy?
- ✓ If the children will be picked up by a bus or van, will there be someone other than the driver to provide supervision?
- ✓ What is the policy regarding who can get onto the campgrounds?
- ✓ What is the policy about picking up and dropping off children? Can any one pick up my child without my permission?

**Deadline for Application is:  
APRIL 24, 2020**

**Campership funds are on a first come – first serve basis.**

**Please get applications in ASAP**