



Pre-Registration Camper Application
 (Children in the Midwest will be attending camp August 3-9)
 (Children in California will be attending camp July 11-19)

Camper Applicant Information
 (One Applicant Per Application)

Full Name: _____ Name Child Goes By: _____

Gender: Male__ Female __ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Current Grade in School: _____

Camper Applicant is: HIV Positive __ HIV Negative __ AIDS Diagnosis: Yes __ No __

Is camper applicant living with an infected family member? Yes __ No __

If so, what is the relationship(s) to Camper Applicant: _____

Has applicant lost a family member(s) to an AIDS related illness? Yes__ No__

If so, what is the relationship(s) to Camper Applicant: _____

⇒ Any Allergies?
 (No) __ (Yes-Explain?) _____

⇒ Any Dietary Restrictions?
 (No) __ (Yes-Explain?) _____

⇒ Any Activity Restrictions?
 (No) __ (Yes-Explain?) _____

T-Shirt Size (please circle one) **Child:** Small(6-8) Medium(10-12) Large(14-16) **Adult:** Small Medium Large XL XXL

Is applicant applying to any other summer camps this year? Yes__ No__

If so, what camp(s): _____

If applicant has been accepted to other summer camps this year, please indicate name of camp: _____

Please describe any medical needs, physical or mental challenges of the youth. Feel free to use the back of the application:

Parent(s) or Guardian Contact Information

Name: _____ Relationship to Applicant: _____

Current Residence: Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ Alternate Number: (____) _____

Email address: _____

If someone other than the child's parent/guardian has completed this form, please complete this section:

Name: _____ Relation to Applicant: _____

Address: _____ Does this child live with you? Yes No

_____ If No, who does the child live with? _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ Alt. Phone Number: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

Through what organization did you hear about Camp Kindle? _____

Return To: Camp Kindle 28245 Ave Crocker, Ste. 104, Santa Clarita, CA 91355 Or Fax To: (702) 995-9186

If camper application is accepted a detailed medical profile and physical will be required to assist our staff in meeting the needs of each camper. NOTE: All Information provided will be kept confidential in accordance with 381(e)(5) of the Public Health Service Act. 42 U.S.C. 247 c(e)(5). Camp Kindle is a 501 c 3 organization and is independently operated.

Dear Parents, Guardians and Organizations:

We hope this finds you well. As you may know, Camp Kindle is a non-profit organization that provides a cost-free summer camp for youth infected with and affected by HIV and AIDS. This camp offers a medically and emotionally supportive environment for each participant. Our program helps these children find positive meaning in their lives by making friends, having fun, and sharing hopes with others confronting similar circumstances. Additionally, the camp helps primary caregivers by providing respite and necessary time for themselves. This traditional summer camping experience has an emphasis on leadership, community and team building. We believe that every camper learns and grows at Camp Kindle. Eva Payne established Camp Kindle in 1998. Camp Kindle has developed into a strong organization that is heading into its 9th summer. For more information about Camp Kindle please visit www.campkindle.org



Eligibility Criteria:

1. All youth must be between the ages of 7 and 15 by the first day of camp.
2. All youth must be either living with HIV/AIDS (the child has HIV or AIDS) or someone in the child's household must be living with HIV/AIDS (a parent, guardian, sibling or other family member that lives with the child/children). Or the child/children may have lost a parent or sibling to this disease.
3. All participants must have some level of understanding as to why they may be invited to attend Camp Kindle. Meaning, ALL campers must either know his/her own HIV/AIDS diagnosis or the diagnosis of a family member who is living with HIV/AIDS. Staff members may raise and/or discuss the subject of HIV/AIDS in a variety of workshops and/or activities throughout the week at Camp Kindle. Children are not required to speak openly about their feelings or knowledge of HIV/AIDS.
4. Campers need to reside in the Central United States for the Nebraska Session or the Western United States for the California session.

* Individuals age 16, 17 and 18 can contact us for an application to participate in the "Counselors In Training" or CIT program. CIT's do not need to be directly affected by HIV/AIDS.

Forms and Registration:

Pre-Registration forms will continue to be accepted. All applicants will remain confidential. We will be accepting up to 100 youth per summer session. Once the Pre-Registration Form is sent in, reviewed and accepted, a confirmation packet will be sent out with additional release and medical forms.

If you have any questions about our program or would like more information, please contact us directly or visit us at www.campkindle.org or contact us toll free at 877-800-2267. Feel free to copy and offer this cover letter and the enclosed application to any family/youth who would benefit from this program. We know that the young people who attend Camp Kindle have one of the best weeks of their lives!

Thank you,
Eva Payne
Executive Director

Camp Kindle

Information Sheet

▪ AN INTRODUCTION TO CAMP KINDLE

Since our inception in 1998, Camp Kindle has served over 600 young people infected with and affected by HIV and AIDS. Camp Kindle will offer this service again in 2008.

The philosophy of Camp Kindle is to offer a medically and emotionally supportive environment with an exciting camping program geared to the age, interest and ability of our campers. This involves learning new skills; making new friends; and participating in programs such as boating, swimming, arts and crafts, field and water sports, dance, fishing, nature appreciation and theatre. We also offer evening programs that include campfires, a dance, carnival, wacky camp Olympics and other special entertainment. In addition to all of this, our Nurse Practitioner heads up a workshop on health education and its importance.

Throughout the week we focus on recognizing and building on positive character traits such as Respect, Honestly, Citizenship and Caring. We also challenge our campers to try new things as well as make and reach their goals both during camp and throughout the year.

Our Mission is to improve the quality of life for young people infected with and affected by HIV and AIDS.

▪ WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR CAMP KINDLE?

Young People infected and affected by HIV/AIDS between the ages of 7-15 by the first day of camp. Campers 16-18 can apply for our Counselor In Training Program (please contact for application). Campers may be infected with HIV, in various stages of the disease progression, have or had infected siblings, children, parent or primary caregiver. Campers should reside in the Central United States or California. Camp Kindle participants come from diverse racial/ethnic, socioeconomic, and religious backgrounds. Campers should be aware they or someone in their family is/was infected with HIV.

▪ WHEN AND WHERE IS CAMP KINDLE?

This summer Camp Kindle will hold its annual camping programs in Nebraska and California. Our Midwest session is held in Fremont, Nebraska at Camp Rivercrest. This session will be held the first week of August. Camp Kindle will also be hosting a 5-day camp session in Southern California for those young people who reside in California and the other Western States. This session will be held in July.

▪ WHO ARE THE STAFF?

The majority of Camp Kindle's volunteer summer staff are college/university students or recent graduates studying or working in areas related to services for youth or the medical field. There is a staff to camper ratio of 1:3. All of our staff are at least 19 years of age. They have all successfully completed an extensive application and an interview, background checks and 40 hours of training.

Camp Kindle has at least (2) two Registered Nurses on site 24 hours a day who run the camp infirmary. Our Nurses have extensive backgrounds in HIV and AIDS care. In addition, there is a Physician on call 24 hours a day. Camp Kindle has (2) two Mental Health Professionals on site to handle any special needs of our campers.

▪ WHAT IS THE COST?

CA session campers are not required to pay the registration fee, as these fees have been covered by a grant.

▪ HOW DO I APPLY?

- 1) Completely fill out the Pre-Registration Camper Application form for each potential participant and forward it to Camp Kindle.
- 2) Upon acceptance, Invitation Letters and Registration Packets will be sent to families and agencies.
- 3) Full Registration Packets will be due by June 1.