



Camp Buckaroo Volunteer Frequently Asked Questions



1. What is Camp Buckaroo?

Camp Buckaroo is a week-long day camp for children with disabilities (ages 6-15) and their siblings (ages 6-10). Volunteers work one on one with a camper and act as their buddy all week at camp, developing a strong bond! Each day has a different theme, like “Into the Wild” or “Out of this World!” and all sports, music, crafts, and group games are geared towards the theme for the day. We offer 4 sessions of Camp Buckaroo, so volunteers can pick a week and location that fits their schedule! Camp hours for volunteers are 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day, with the exception of an 8:00 a.m. start on Monday for orientation.

Camp Buckaroo Schedule Summer 2023

2023 Camp Dates and Locations	
Date	Location
June 12 th -16 th	St. John the Divine- Houston 2450 River Oaks Boulevard Houston, TX
June 19 th -23 rd	The Woodlands United Methodist Church 2200 Lake Woodlands Drive The Woodlands, TX
July 17 th -21 st	Sugar Creek Baptist Church 13223 Southwest Freeway Sugar Land, TX
July 24 th -28 th	Shepherd of the Heart-Pearland 12005 County Road 59 Pearland, Texas

2. How do I apply to volunteer for Camp Buckaroo?

- Fill out an online application through the Active website. Applications can be found on the Camps & Recreation page of the Easter Seals website or by contacting Ross McCann at RMcCann@eastersealshouston.org
 - If you are interested in volunteering with more than one week of Camp Buckaroo, please add all the sessions you’re interested in to your shopping cart and “checkout”.
- New volunteers must complete a virtual interview
- All volunteers 18+ years old must complete a background check
- After applications close in March, all volunteers will receive an e-mail confirming their acceptance, denial, or waitlisted spot as a volunteer for Camp Buckaroo.

3. What are the COVID-19 protocols at Camp Buckaroo?

- Volunteers and campers must either a) submit proof of vaccination against COVID-19, or b) submit proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken 48 hours before arriving to camp on Monday.
- Camp will run in two groups (by camper age); the groups will have different schedules to limit the daily interaction between groups.
- Volunteers must wear masks throughout the duration of camp, and we ask that campers that are able to wear masks/keep a mask on to continue wearing one as well.

4. Is there an orientation for volunteers?

Yes! There is a short in-person orientation Monday morning at 8:00 a.m., before the campers arrive. Volunteers will have the opportunity to review the application of their buddy and familiarize themselves with the needs of their camper!

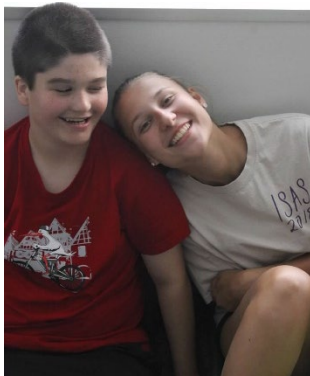
If you would like to have more exposure to volunteering or working with individuals with disabilities prior to camp, please consider volunteering with one of our other programs!

5. Do volunteers get paired one to one with a camper?

Yes, all volunteers will be paired one to one with a camper, acting as their buddy all week long. Volunteers will be expected to help their camper participate in activities, assist them with any feeding needs, and hangout with them during the week!

6. Can I receive service hours for volunteering with Camp Buckaroo?

Yes! Camp Buckaroo is 25 hours of service for each week of camp. Easter Seals will provide service hour verification forms at the end of camp. Volunteers are welcome to bring/send other forms to be signed by the camp director.



For more information visit us at www.eastersealshouston.org or contact Ross McCann at RMcCann@eastersealshouston.org or 713-838-9050 ext. 309