

Connecting People, Birds, and Land

# **Essential Eligibility Criteria for Overnight Camps**

At Bird Camp, we consider the needs of each camper to promote success and provide a positive camp experience. Let us know when you register if your child is developmentally, emotionally, or physically challenged or requires another type of assistance; disclosure of special needs will not bar participation. All activities are open to all individuals who meet the following essential eligibility requirements by themselves or with an aide provided by the participant:

# **Camper Behavior Requirements**

Children are expected to display appropriate behavior at all times. To assure the maximum enjoyment of the program by all participants, please review the following guidelines with your child.

# **Campers will:**

- Show respect to all participants, staff, and nature.
- Be pleasant to others and refrain from using foul language.
- Refrain from putting themselves and others in danger.
- Use equipment, supplies, and facilities as instructed.
- Always wear shoes.
- Stay with the group.
- Exhibit appropriate group behavior that doesn't disrupt the flow of teaching and learning.

#### **Personal Needs:**

- Is able to manage all personal hygiene over a period of multiple days on their own or with an aide.
- Is able to live and sleep in a bunk bed in a communal space, without causing undue disruption to others.

# **Motor Needs:**

- Is able to ambulate on their own or with a mechanical device over uneven and rocky terrain.
- Is able to perform gross motor functions and fine motor functions with reasonable guidance.

# **Aide Requirements:**

 Must be at least 18 years of age with at least one year of aide experience, or be a family member who is at least 18 years of age.