Diabetes Camps

The following camps are for children in Texas with diabetes. Camps are listed in alphabetical order.

1. **Camp Aurora** is a week-long day camp for children with diabetes, ages 5-14.

   **Sponsor:** The American Diabetes Association, Inc.
   **Contact:** Sherry Hill, North Texas Regional Office
   4100 Alpha Road, Suite #100
   Dallas, TX 75244
   972-392-1181 ext. 6097
   972-392-1366 (fax)
   **E-mail:** shill@diabetes.org

2. **Camp Bluebonnet** is a week-long day camp available to kids who have diabetes and are entering grades 1-12.

   **Sponsor:** Children’s Diabetes Camp of Central Texas, Inc.
   **Mailing Address:** Camp Bluebonnet
   P.O. Box 12885
   Austin, TX 78711
   **Email:** camp.bluebonnet@gmail.com
   **Website:** [http://www.childrensdiabetescamp.org/](http://www.childrensdiabetescamp.org/)

3. **Camp Rainbow** is a four day camp for children with diabetes and their siblings, ages 4-17. Parents, guardians and caregivers are encouraged to attend and participate in Camp Rainbow’s Parent University activities while their child is at camp.

   **Sponsor:** The American Diabetes Association, Inc.
   **Contact:** Edith Anadu, Houston Local Office
   7670 Woodway Drive, Suite #230
   Houston, TX 77063
   713-977-7706 ext. 6093
   713-977-6277 (fax)
   **Email:** eanudu@diabetes.org
4. **Camp Sweeney** offers 20-day summer sessions for campers ages 5-18 with diabetes and siblings or friends of campers with diabetes.

   Mailing Address: Camp Sweeney  
   P.O. Box 918  
   Gainesville, TX 76273  
   940-665-2011  
   940-665-9467 (fax)

   Email: info@campsweeney.org  
   Website: [http://www.campsweeney.org/](http://www.campsweeney.org/)

5. **Texas Lions Camp** offers 1 week camp sessions for children ages 8-15 with type 1 diabetes.

   Corporate Office: P.O. Box 29024  
   Kerrville, TX 78029  
   Contact: 830-896-8500  
   830-896-3666 (fax)

   Email: tlc@lionscamp.com  
   Website: [http://www.lionscamp.com/](http://www.lionscamp.com/)

**Other Summer Camps**

*The following camps are for children in Texas with special health care needs and disabilities. Camps are listed in alphabetical order.*

1. **Camp Alphie - Ceta Canyon Retreat Center** is a free camp is available to children ages 7-14 who have or have had cancer and a sibling. Parents can also enjoy the Parents' Camp at the same time.

   Mailing Address: Camp Alphie  
   P.O. Box 7665  
   Amarillo, TX 79114

   Website: [http://campalphie.org/](http://campalphie.org/)
2. **Camp Broncho** is a week-long camp for children ages 7-12 who have mild or severe asthma. Camp Broncho provides asthma education and management skills along with promoting self-care, self-image, and independence for children with asthma.

   **Sponsor:** Cook Children's Hospital  
   **Corporate Office:** 801 Seventh Ave.  
   Fort Worth, Texas 76104  
   682-885-4048  
   **E-mail:** campbroncho@cookchildrens.org  
   **Website:** http://www.campbroncho.com

3. **Camp Brainstorm** is open to youth and teens ages 8-17 with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Camp is usually held the 2nd or 3rd week of June.

   **Sponsor:** Epilepsy Foundation Central South Texas  
   **Corporate Office:** 10615 Perrin Beitel Road, Suite 602  
   San Antonio, TX 78217  
   888-606-5353  
   210-653-5355 (fax)  
   **E-mail:** camp@efcst.org  
   **Website:** www.epilepsycamp.com

4. **Camp Buckaroo** welcomes people with disabilities, ages 6 to 14, and their siblings ages 6 to 10.

   **Sponsor:** Easter Seals of Greater Houston  
   **Contact:** Lindsay Holton  
   4500 Bissonnet, Suite 340  
   Bellaire, TX 77401  
   713-838-9050 ext. 309  
   713-838-9098 (fax)  
   **E-mail:** lholton@eastersealshouston.org  
   **Website:** http://www.eastersealshouston.org/Programs/camps.html

5. **Camp CAMP (Children’s Association for Maximum Potential)** is for people with disabilities, ages 5 to 50, and their siblings, ages 3 to 13.

   **Corporate Office:** P.O. Box 27086  
   San Antonio, TX 78227  
   210-671-5411  
   210-671-5225 (fax)  
   **E-mail:** campmail@campcamp.org  
   **Website:** http://www.campcamp.org/programs/summer-camp/
6. **Camp Charis Hills** is a Christian summer camp that welcomes campers ages 7-18 with autism, Asperger’s, ADHD and other learning differences including speech/language and emotional/behavioral challenges. Camp Charis is a great place to make friends and develop social skills. The camp offers eight week-long summer sessions, as well as fall and spring family weekend camps.

   **Address:** 498 Faulkner Road  
   Sunset, TX 76270  
   940-964-2145  

   **Email:** info@charishills.org  
   **Website:** www.charishills.org

7. **Camps for Kids** offers several diagnosis-specific weeklong summer camps as well as many weekend retreats for families, siblings, and teens throughout the fall and spring. Visit the link below to see descriptions of all the camps and for more information.

   **Sponsor:** Cook Children's Medical Center  
   **Contact:** Kat Davitt  
   801 Seventh Ave.  
   Fort Worth, TX 76104  
   682-885-5872  

   **E-mail:** kat.davitt@cookchildrens.org  
   **Website:** https://cookchildrens.org/patients/support-groups/Pages/camps.aspx

8. **Camp El Tesoro – Camp Fire** is for children with mild physical and mental disabilities, ages 6 to 16. Both day and overnight programs are available.

   **Sponsor:** Camp Fire USA First Texas Council  
   **Corporate Office:** 2700 Meacham Blvd.  
   Fort Worth, TX 76137-4601  
   817-831-2111  

   **E-mail:** info@campfirefw.org  
   **Website:** http://www.campfirefw.org/

9. **Camp MDA** is a week-long camp for children ages 1-17 with Muscular Dystrophy. Campers can experience fun and safe outdoor activities and meet other children with Muscular Dystrophy. Contact your local MDA office for a camp near you.

   **Sponsor:** Muscular Dystrophy Association  
   **Corporate Office:** 222 S. Riverside Plaza, Suite 1500  
   Chicago, Illinois 60606  
   800-572-1717  

   **Website:** http://www.mda.org/services/mda-summer-camp

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10. **Camp Neuron** is for young people ages 8-14 with Epilepsy. Campers build self-esteem, create life-long friendships, participate in team building, and learn more about living with epilepsy. This camp is provided to families with no cost.

   **Sponsor:** The Epilepsy Foundation Texas.
   **Mailing address:** Camp Department
   2401 Fountain View Drive, Suite 900
   Houston, Texas 77057
   888-548-9716
   713-789-5628 (fax)
   **E-mail:** Camp@eftx.org

11. **Camp SIGN** is for children who are deaf or hard of hearing, ages 10-15. A counselor-in-training program is available to children who are deaf or hard of hearing, ages 16-17.

   **Sponsor:** Texas Health and Human Services, Office of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services
   **Contact:** Amanda Tuite
   **Corporate Office:** Camp SIGN
   Office of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services
   P.O. Box 12306
   Austin, TX 78711
   **E-mail:** dhhs.training@hhsc.state.tx.us

12. **Camp Smiles** is for children with cerebral palsy or similar neurological disorders, ages 6-14.

   **Sponsor:** Easter Seals of Greater Houston
   **Corporate Office:** 4500 Bissonnet, Suite 340
   Bellaire, TX 77401
   713-838-9050 ext. 309
   713-838-9098 (fax)
   **E-mail:** lholton@eastersealshouston.org
   **Website:** [http://www.eastersealshouston.org/Programs/camps.html](http://www.eastersealshouston.org/Programs/camps.html)
13. **Camp Summit** is for children, youth and adults with disabilities ages 6-99.

   Contact: Lisa Braziel  
   17210 Campbell Road, Suite 180-W  
   Dallas, TX 75252  
   972-484-8900  
   972-620-1945 (fax)  
   E-mail: camp@campsummittx.org  
   Website: http://www.campsummittx.org/

14. **Camp TLC** serves campers ages 8-15 with Spina Bifida and congenital neural tube defects.

   Mailing address: SBANT - Camp TLC  
   P.O. Box 702223  
   Dallas, TX 75370-2223  
   817-371-9907 or 214-529-0316  
   E-mail: CampTLC@spinabifidant.org  
   Website: https://www.camptlc-sbant.com/

15. **Camp X-Treme** is hosted at Camp for All in Burton, TX for youth with physical disabilities, ages 8-21.

   Sponsor: TIRR Foundation  
   Corporate Office: 4605 Post Oak Place, Suite 222  
   Houston, TX 77027  
   210-241-2508  
   E-mail: campxtreme@tirrfoundation.org  
   Website: http://www.tirrfoundation.org/youth-programs/

16. **DeafBlind Camp of Texas** is for individuals 18 years and above with varying degrees of hearing and vision loss. DBCTX is a safe, fun, barrier-free place where young adults can learn from each other and gain rich experiences. Each camper will feel empowered by the support of SSPs (Support Service Providers). The camp is held at Variety's Peaceable Kingdom Retreat in Killeen, TX.

   Sponsor: DeafBlind Camp of Texas  
   Corporate Office: 2504 Wildlife Run  
   Cedar Park, TX 78613  
   512-670-8422  
   E-mail: info@dbctx.org  
   Website: http://www.dbctx.org/
17. **Elks Camp – Texas Elks** is for children with disabilities, ages 7-15.

Sponsor: Texas Elks State Association  
Corporate Office: 1963 FM 1586  
Gonzales, TX 78629  
830-875-2425  
830-875-5455 (fax)  
E-mail: txelks@gvec.net  
Website: [http://www.texaselkscamp.org/](http://www.texaselkscamp.org/)

18. **Experience E.X.C.E.L.S (Expanded Core Education in Living Skills)** is a Family Camp Concept serving young (under 10) blind and visually impaired children and their families as well as children of any age (birth to 22) and their families who have multiple disabilities, one of which is blindness/visual impairment. Camp fills slots from local (Abilene, Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland/Odessa, San Angelo and Wichita Falls) areas first. Out of area families are considered if space is available.

Sponsor: Health and Human Services, Blind Children’s Vocational Discovery and Development Program  
Contact: Lorenza Martinez or Leslie Chittum Zavala  
Abilene Office  
P.O. Box 521  
Abilene, TX 79604  
325-795-5845  
E-mail: Lorenza.Martinez@hhsc.state.tx.us or Leslie.Chittum-Zavala@hhsc.state.tx.us

19. **Joshua’s Stage – The Exceptional Experience for the Exceptional Child** is the premiere performance center for children ages 3-18 with a wide range of special needs; featuring classes, workshops, camps, performances, and exhibits in theatre arts, dance, digital photography, and filmmaking.

Corporate Office: 7405 Teak Cove  
Austin, Texas 78750  
512-825-2744  
Email: Joshua.levy@joshuasstage.org  
Website: [www.joshuasstage.org](http://www.joshuasstage.org)
20. **Kamp Kaleidoscope** is open to teens, ages 15-19, with a primary diagnosis of epilepsy. Kamp Kaleidoscope is usually the 2nd or 3rd week in July.

   Corporate Office: Epilepsy Foundation Texas Camp Department  
   2401 Fountain View Drive Suite 900  
   Houston, Texas 77057  
   888-548-9716  
   713-789-5628 (Fax)

   E-mail: camp@eftx.org  

21. **Marbridge Summer Camp** is for youth and young adults with developmental and learning disabilities, ages 16-30.

   Corporate Office: P. O. Box 2250  
   Manchaca, TX 78652  
   512-282-1144  
   512-282-3723 (fax)

   E-mail: info@marbridge.org  
   Website: [http://www.marbridge.org/summer-camp](http://www.marbridge.org/summer-camp)

22. **Muscular Dystrophy Association Summer Camps** is for youth ages 6-21 with neuromuscular diseases who are registered with MDA. There is no cost to families to send their children to camp. To find a camp in your area, visit the website below to find your local MDA office.

   National Office: 800-572-1717  
   E-mail: mda@mdausa.org  
   Website: [https://www.mda.org/services/mda-summer-camp](https://www.mda.org/services/mda-summer-camp)

23. **NF Family Camp** is for families who have a child with Neurofibromatosis. NF Camp is for every member of the family including parents, patients, siblings, extended family and caregivers.

   Corporate Office: 3030 Olive Street  
   400 Victory Plaza East  
   Dallas, Texas 75219  
   972-868-7944  
   972-868-7650 (Fax)

   E-mail: texasnf@texasnf.org  
   Website: [http://texasnf.org/camp](http://texasnf.org/camp)
24. **Sea Camp** is a marine adventure camp with a day camp for children age 6-11 and a week-long residential camp for ages 10-18. Call Sea Camp staff to discuss your child’s individual needs.

Mailing Address:  Sea Camp, Texas A & M University at Galveston  
P. O. Box 1675  
Galveston, TX 77553  
409-740-4525  
E-mail:  seacamp@tamug.edu  
Website:  http://www.tamug.edu/seacamp/

25. **Special Olympics Texas** offers year-round training and competition in a variety of Olympic type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Competition is open to anyone age eight and up. The Young Athletes program begins at age two.

Corporate Office:  Special Olympics Texas  
1804 Rutherford Lane  
Austin, TX 78754  
800-876-5646  
512-835-9873  
E-mail:  info@sotx.org  
Website:  http://www.sotx.org/

26. **Texas Asthma Camp** is a one-week camp in June for children with asthma, ages 7-14. There is a cost for this camp, but scholarships are available.

Contact:  Rhonda Scoby, UT Health Northeast  
Mailing Address:  ATTN: Texas Asthma Camp – Rhonda Scoby  
11937 US Hwy 271  
Tyler, TX 75708  
903-877-7075  
E-mail:  rhonda.scoby@uthct.edu  
Website:  http://www.uthealth.org/asthmacamp

27. **Texas Lions Camp** is for children with special health care needs including cancer, diabetes, Down Syndrome, and physical disabilities. Ages vary depending on the specific program.

Corporate Office:  P.O. Box 290247  
Kerrville, TX 78029  
830-896-8500  
830-896-3666 (fax)  
Email:  tlc@lionscamp.com  
Website:  http://www.lionscamp.com/