

Clarke's Summer Programs

2008



**Summer
Adventure**
JULY 13-25

**Family
Weekend**
JULY 25-27



*Building
friendships
and
confidence
for over
25 years*



Clarke Family Weekend

The New Frontier: Deafness in the 21st Century

*For families
with children:
newborn –
14 years*



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Exploring the Potential of Now!



Join us for a weekend in beautiful New England to share insights, experiences and strategies for the changing frontier of deafness and hearing loss. Clarke's Family Weekend offers the opportunity to meet other families and participate in presentations, discussion sessions, and fun! Topics will include transitional programming, mainstream readiness, social participation, guiding your child's overall development, optimizing auditory learning, literacy, and the mountains and plateaus of technology and intervention. Families will also enjoy a campfire, games and live entertainment!

Children's activities are scheduled so that parents can attend sessions worry-free while their children play together in fun, supervised settings. Activities will include music and movement, arts and crafts, pony express, and visits from Wild West characters!

Registration Fee

\$350.00 per family before May 20

\$395.00 per family after May 20

**To register for Family Weekend or
for more information, contact**

**Chris Jackman at (413) 584-3450 ext.7322
or visit www.clarkeschool.org.**

Clarke's Summer Adventure

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What kids are saying about Summer Adventure:

*"I liked hanging out
with other kids with
hearing loss."*

*"It was so much fun
and everyone helped
each other."*

*"The meals are
yummy, and the
teachers are wonder-
ful. Clarke rocks!"*



Each year Clarke offers deaf and hard of hearing students ages 9-13, from all over the country, the opportunity to have fun and develop their self-confidence during our two-week Summer Adventure program. Based around a central theme, the program includes on campus activities such as arts and crafts, sports and swimming, as well as exciting field trips. Students and staff stay in a comfortable, air-conditioned dormitory complete with games, computers and captioned movies. After their two-week stay, students take home new friendships that remain long after the program ends.

The Clarke School for the Deaf admits students of any race, gender, color, national or ethnic origin to all of its programs. Clarke does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, color, national or ethnic origin in the administration of all its programs.





Students live with a roommate in our homey, air-conditioned dormitory, with a spacious activity room and family-style dining room. A dorm counselor is always just a few doors away.

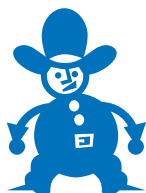
Typical Day at Summer Adventure



During a typical day at Clarke's Summer Adventure, students will enjoy breakfast with their new friends and gather for a group meeting to go over the day's activities. Then they launch into a morning of art projects, theme activities and fun hands-on academic exercises. After a healthy lunch in our attractive dining room, students may head out for a field trip to a local park, historic site, or museum. There's also plenty of time to play outdoors, take a dip in the indoor Olympic size swimming pool and send an e-mail home to the family.

After dinner, kids will relax in our kid-friendly dorm and enjoy time for reading, games, music and socializing. Later students might take a walk downtown for ice cream, enjoy gazing at the stars around a campfire or get cozy with some popcorn for movie night.

Howdy Partners!



This year's Summer Adventure theme, Exploring the New Frontier, will bring westward expansion and the Wild West alive with activities focusing on the gold rush, life on the open range, and colorful characters like Daniel Boone, Lewis & Clark and Buffalo Bill, along with their amazing stories of discovery and adventure! Lots of interactive activities will encourage students to explore and experience what it was like back in the early 1800's, including sing-alongs around a camp fire!

Tuition

Tuition for the two-week program is \$1,595 and includes the cost of all meals and all field trip expenses. A \$200 deposit is required with the application. Limited scholarship support is available.

How to Apply

To receive an application and more information, please contact Chris Jackman at (413) 584-3450 ext.7322 or visit www.clarkeschool.org.

What makes Clarke's Summer Adventure unique



- Opportunity to spend time with other kids who use hearing aids & cochlear implants.
- Caring and enthusiastic staff of professionals who know deafness and address the needs of the whole child.
- Clarke School alumni junior counselors serve as successful role models.
- On-staff audiologists and nurse and on-call doctor provide quality care.
- Students are given their own Clarke e-mail address, making it easy to communicate with family at home.
- Fun, friendly, compassionate environment where children are empowered to try new things and build their self-confidence.



What parents are saying about Clarke's Summer Adventure:



"My daughter's experience at Summer Adventure matured her in so many ways. The camaraderie between the kids was amazing. There was a real sense of mentorship from the older kids to the younger kids. My daughter was even able to offer some advice and reassurance to another child who was about to receive a second implant. This was her first time staying away from home and she loved it. She can't wait to go back."

—Elena Perlin, Stoughton, MA

"Our son wanted to go away to summer camp like his brothers. We were hesitant because of his implant, but didn't want him to miss out on that experience. Then we found Clarke's Summer Adventure. The mix of activities was great and allowed him to grow and have fun in a safe environment. He did experience some technical issues with his implant while at Clarke, and the staff did a wonderful job of keeping us informed. It was so comforting to know that there was an audiologist right there and that Clarke knew how to deal with the problem."

—Jennifer Ball, Richmond, VA

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