

## A Day at Clover Patch Camp

Each cabin typically has six direct care counselors working directly with eight campers. As a team, the cabin staff work together twenty-four hours a day to give their campers a full week of fun, laughter and new friends.

Every morning begins with the raising of the American flag and singing a morning song. Daily activities include sports & outdoor recreation, music & drama, arts & crafts, nature activities, recreational swimming and much more. Interspersed through the day are the necessities of meals, showers and medications. Lights out at 9:00 p.m.

Each session begins and ends with a special campfire ceremony during which we anticipate the fun and celebrate each individual, friends made and memories cherished.



## Contact Information

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[www.cfdsny.org](http://www.cfdsny.org)

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Glenville, NY 12302

## How to Apply

The application can be downloaded from the camp website or a hardcopy can be requested from the Camp office.

## Credentials

Clover Patch is operated by the Center for Disability Services, and is licensed and inspected annually by the NYS Dept. of Health. Inspection reports are on file at the NYS Dept. of Health District Office in Glens Falls, New York. Camp complies with American Camping Ass. guidelines and is approved by the Office for People with Developmental Disabilities.

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## Clover Patch Camp

*A summer camp and respite program for children and adults with disabilities*

## Information for the Prospective Volunteer



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## About Clover Patch Camp

Clover Patch welcomes individuals with disabilities age five years and older. The program provides families and caregivers with a period of reprieve while providing campers with a challenging, educational and enjoyable outdoor living experience in a fully accessible natural setting.

### Camp Mission

We as a team are committed to meeting each camper's needs through continuous improvement and growth. We believe that through our commitment we possess the innovation, integrity and momentum to strengthen our services and provide each camper with the experience of a lifetime. We strive to create an atmosphere where our campers and staff can develop life skills, self-confidence and personal freedom by creating new memories, new friends and new experiences.



## Frequently Asked Questions

### *Who comes to camp?*

- ♣ Children and adults with physical and/or mental disabilities

### *What are the ages of the campers?*

- ♣ 5% 5-9      25% 10-19      15% 20-29
- ♣ 20% 30-39      35% 41+ years

### *What level of need is served?*

- ♣ A range including mild to severe mental retardation, autism, cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, ADHD, traumatic brain injury, medically frail
- ♣ 35% non-ambulatory, 40% non-verbal

### *What is the camper to staff ratio?*

- ♣ 2:1

### *How many campers attend?*

- ♣ Maximum of 24 campers per session

### *Who works at camp?*

- ♣ 75% are college-aged students
- ♣ 30% from Europe, 5% from Asia, 65% from USA
- ♣ 30% staff return rate

### *Is volunteering at Clover Patch Camp is right for me?*

- ♣ Visit [www.cloverpatchcamp.org](http://www.cloverpatchcamp.org)
- ♣ Tour the camp and meet the directors

### *Is there an age requirement?*

- ♣ Volunteers must be at least 16 years old

### *What are the session dates and times?*

- ♣ Sessions start Sunday at 1:00 pm
- ♣ Sessions end Friday at noon
- ♣ Volunteers may work as few or as many hours per week to suit their schedule

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### *What types of volunteer opportunities are available?*

- ♣ Entertainers such as clowns, singers, magicians, musicians, bands, dancers, DJs, etc.
- ♣ Animal keepers and pet therapists
- ♣ Participation in daily activities
- ♣ Facility clean-up and maintenance

### *Why should I volunteer?*

- ♣ Great resume builder
- ♣ Be part of a team
- ♣ Gain experience
- ♣ Have fun
- ♣ Grow as an individual
- ♣ Meet people from across the country and around the world
- ♣ Make a difference!

### *How do I apply?*

- ♣ Return the completed application and a letter of reference to the Camp office

