



Dear Campers and Families,

We know that paying for camp creates a financial hardship for many families. AbilityFirst is fortunate to have a campership program in place as a result of the ongoing generosity of many donors who care about the camp program. For the summer of 2011, we will again be granting financial assistance to campers who qualify and based on available funds.

Camperships will be provided to those who have the greatest need. We ask that you carefully consider your *true need* for financial aid. Please keep in mind that our funds are limited and many families have need. You can help insure that as many campers as possible have the opportunity to experience Camp Paivika this summer by limiting your request to only what you *truly* need to help cover the cost of camp.

Here are some suggestions to save money towards the cost of camp:

*Recycling*

*Have a car wash, bake sale, or rummage sale*

*Ask family and friends to contribute towards your camp fee instead of birthday or Christmas gifts*

*Ask your church or local service club (Rotary, Lions Club, women's clubs, etc.) if they have a campership program*

*Be creative!*

If your personal family resources plus the support that you may collect elsewhere is still not sufficient to cover the camp fee, please review the enclosed instructions carefully and fill out the attached application form. In order to insure quick processing of your Campership Application, make sure that we have all of the following:

1. Completed Camper Application
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3. Copy of most recent tax return or other proof of income (camper's SSI, etc.)
4. \$100 deposit check

Please realize that we cannot process your campership application unless we have ALL of the above. Completed applications received by February 1, 2011 will be given first consideration. Applications received after February 1, 2011 will be considered based on remaining funds available.

We will notify families by March 1, 2011 of the amount of funds granted. We look forward to seeing you at camp this summer!

Most sincerely,

Kelly Kunsek  
Director  
AbilityFirst Camp Paivika