

**Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc.**  
**10725 SW Barbur Blvd., Suite 50, Portland, OR 97219**  
**503-452-7416**

## **Program Eligibility Standards**

Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc. serves individuals between nine years of age through adulthood who have disabilities. For the safety of all campers and staff, each camp applicant must meet the following standards:

1. The applicant must be able to benefit from the camp program in some way.
2. The applicant must be adaptable to the group living environment without unduly disrupting the quality of the experience for others. This includes but is not limited to:
  - a. Sleeping in the dorm areas without excessive disorderly behavior;
  - b. Following the direction of counselors and/or staff;
  - c. Participating in program activities in some capacity.
3. The applicant must not be physically, verbally or sexually abusive.
4. The applicant must have no history of arson or fire setting.
5. The applicant must be free of conditions and behaviors that might not be manageable in a camp setting. Examples of these conditions may be:
  - a. Necessary mechanical assistance for physical transfer;
  - b. Dependence on highly technical life sustaining equipment or apparatus;
  - c. Violent outbursts or behaviors.
6. Behaviors/conditions exhibited by a camper following arrival at camp may necessitate dismissal. These behaviors/conditions include but are not limited to:
  - a. Displaying behavior(s) or condition(s) stated in Items 2 through 5.
  - b. Worsening of medical condition(s) caused by camp setting.
  - c. Inability or refusal to eat or drink amounts adequate for nutritional support.
  - d. Inability or refusal to take personal prescription medication.
  - e. Pre-existing medical condition(s) or behavioral issue(s) not reported on the Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp application.
  - f. \*\*\* Considerable thought and discussion is put into each situation before a camper is dismissed from participating in camp. Before a camper is sent home from camp a team from the leadership staff gathers information about the incident that has occurred. Details about the behavior, the frequency of the behavior, and the intensity of the behavior are all taken into consideration. Investigating whether there are additional supports that need to be put into place, or whether such supports were not put into place are also discussed. The team will then make a final decision based on all these factors.
7. An applicant will not be admitted to camp if his/her health in any way endangers other camper/staff or if there is a problem requiring the attention of a physician. Such conditions are defined as, but are not limited to:
  - a. Temperature greater than 100.4 orally.
  - b. Blood pressure greater than 160/90.
  - c. Heart rate greater than 120 BPM.
  - d. An open, draining lesion or rash.
  - e. Topical parasites (i.e. lice, scabies, etc.)
  - f. Signs of infectious or communicable disease.

Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp reserves the right to reject applications prior to attendance or to deny admittance to camp upon arrival based on inability to meet program eligibility standards.

Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc. will be the party responsible for acceptance or denial.

Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc. reserves the right to dismiss any participant from further participation in the program in the event the staff determines that the participant cannot meet the program eligibility standards.

### **Appeal Process**

Upon denial of an application to camp, the applicant, parent or legal guardian may file an appeal within the due process procedure as follows:

1. File a written statement with the business office of Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc. within thirty (30) days of receipt of denial. Mail the statement to:  
President of the Board of Directors  
Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc.  
10725 SW Barbur Blvd., Suite 50  
Portland, OR 97219
2. A committee consisting of two Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc. staff, to include the Executive Director, and three members of the Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp, Inc. Board of Directors will review the statement within fifteen (15) days of receipt.
3. The committee will provide a written reply to the party filing the statement within seven (7) days after the review has concluded.

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