



Application Form Part 1

Form for Board/Administration Use

This is Part 1 of 3 of your application to the Delta Life Skills Society Summer Fun Program. Please complete all of the documents attached and bring with you to the Annual General Meeting. **Attendance at the AGM is mandatory.**

Participant's Name: _____

Participant's Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Valid Email Address(es): _____

I would like to be added to Delta Life Skills emailing list: Yes No

Program Fees

Program fees can be paid by either one cheque, or split into up to four (4) cheques, dated March 1, April 1, May 1, and June 1. **All cheques made payable to Delta Life Skills or left blank (we will use our stamp).**

Select 1:

- I am using autism funds and have enclosed cheque(s) for \$1,380
- I am not using autism funds and have enclosed cheque(s) for \$1,350

Fundraising Fees

A fundraising cheque or credit card number for fundraising is also required.

Select 1

- I want to fundraise and have enclosed a cheque for \$800, postdated to February 1, 2022.
- I want to fundraise and will bring a credit card form with me to the AGM authorizing up to \$800 (this option is only if you select fundraising. Do not send a credit card form if you prefer not to fundraise)
- I prefer not to fundraise. Please cash my cheque for \$800 and issue me a donation receipt.(Cheque dated for March 1st, 2021)
- I have enclosed two cheques: _____ for a donation (dated March 1st, 2021) and _____ for my fundraising fee (dated February 1st, 2022).





T-Shirts

Please indicate t-shirt size required for your child:

Adult Youth S M L XL

I would like ___ additional t-shirts at a cost of \$15 each.

Wheelchair

Is wheelchair access required for the bus?

Yes No

School Information

Name of School: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Is your child in full-time school?

Yes No If no, how many hours per day? _____

If no, describe reason why.

I have attached a Delta Parks and Rec admission card for my child. **INITIALS:**_____

List any dates that you know your child will be away from the program:

Delta Life Skills is considering putting groups together with participants who require less than 1:1 support. For example, 5 participants with 3 staff. Would you like your child to be in a group like this?

Yes No

If yes, describe situations where you child has successfully participated in group activities with less than 1:1 support.





Initial each paragraph to acknowledge your receipt:

Applications will not be accepted without payment and all required documentation. Late or NSF Payments will result in your child's application going to a waitlist. A charge of \$25 will apply for any NSF cheques. INITIALS:_____

A recent wallet sized photograph (around 2.5" x 3.5") of your child (school photo) **MUST BE INCLUDED** with your application. INITIALS:_____

I/We understand that attendance at the AGM with payment, does not guarantee a placement in Summer Fun. If Delta Life Skills Society is unable to place a child, a full refund will be provided. Initials: INITIALS:_____

Select 1:

I/We give my/our consent and permission for the publication, internal and external (promotional material, website) of any photographs, slides, or film on my/our child that may be taken while my/our child is in the program. INITIALS:_____

I do not want my child's photo taken for promotional purposes: INITIALS:_____

I/We give consent for the Delta Life Skills Society's Program Director to contact my child's teacher, if necessary. I/We give Delta Life Skills Society my full consent and permission to allow my child to participate in any and all supervised field trips or outings of any nature or kind during the period in which my child is under the care of Delta Life Skills Society. INITIALS:_____

As a member of Delta Life Skills Society, I/We agree to participate in fundraising efforts as determined by the Board of Directors. I understand that if I do not participate I will have my fundraising cheque/credit card cashed/charged. INITIALS:_____

I/We have given as accurate a profile of my child as possible, and have disclosed **all** pertinent information that could affect my child's participation in Summer Fun. If I have failed to disclose information that could affect staff, other children, or my child, I understand that this lack of information could result in my child being suspended from Summer Fun (Delta Life Skills Society) at the sole discretion of the Program Director. INITIALS:_____

Accidents can be the result of the nature of the activity and can occur without any fault on either the part of the student, or Delta Life Skills Society, board members, or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing your child to participate in this activity, you are accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that this activity, as described above, is suitable for your child, and that Delta Life Skills Society will not be held liable. INITIALS:_____

Given Delta Life Skills is a not-for-profit, I acknowledge that if I am accepted into the program and determine this program is not going to work for my child, refunds of any monies paid will not be given. If a parent withdraws their child before formal acceptance in the program, no fees will be charged. INITIALS:_____





Aggressive Behaviour:

Over the course of the summer, we may run into aggressive moments when your child is frustrated, tired, hungry or cannot express their needs. To a point, aggression is an accepted behaviour when dealing with developmentally delayed children. **A child's aggression is defined as habitual and constantly disrupting the activities of the day when** it takes staff time away from the others or makes other children afraid. Summer Fun is not designed nor equipped for dealing with habitually aggressive children.

Although we have some very skilled and experienced staff working with our children, we also have some less-experienced staff members. This is part of our program's philosophy to help develop and train employees looking for a career in the social services field. **We also believe that all staff have the right to feel safe from harm during their workday.** It is our collective responsibility to support and ensure the safety of our staff.

Please review the Accountability Procedures and Behaviour Management Guidelines below, as well as the Behaviour Management Policy. We would love to be able to meet all the needs of all the children all the time, but some of our children's needs are beyond what our staff capabilities are, and go beyond what Summer Fun is designed to offer.

INITIALS: _____

Accountability Procedures and Behaviour Management Guidelines

1. In the case of a child showing **repeated** aggression toward a staff, you, the parent, will be informed both verbally and in writing. The incident will be written in your child's communication book. The Program Director will also be informed. Aggression toward staff will be evaluated on an individual basis, as each staff person has a different set of tools to deal with aggression and a different opinion on what is acceptable and what is not. If the aggression becomes habitual and is deemed to be disruptive to the group, or takes up too much staff time, your child may be withdrawn from the program.
2. In the case of a child being aggressive toward another child or children, you will be informed verbally and in writing through your child's communication book, and the Program Director will be informed. If the aggression comes to a point where other children become afraid or we feel their right to enjoy Summer Fun is compromised, we will be required to remove the aggressor from Summer Fun.

INITIALS: _____





Health and Wellness:

When children arrive at Summer Fun, there is an expectation that they will be ready for the day. This means that they come equipped with their sunscreen, water bottle, lunches, showered, with fingernails clean to avoid infection from scratches, teeth brushed, toileting done and deodorant applied. We expect that children arrive in clean clothing, with an extra set in their backpack in case they get dirty either from playing or from washroom accidents. Staff do not have time to shower or bathe children, or launder their clothing.

If your child has a bathroom accident during the day at Summer Fun, we will clean them up and change them into clean clothes that have been provided in their backpack. Any soiled clothes will be rinsed out and sent home in a plastic bag for laundering.

If your child does not come prepared for the day, staff will send the child home. Your child is more than welcome to return when they are fully prepared. If it is a field trip day, then you will be required to meet the group at their destination for the day.

INITIALS: _____

Daycamp vs. Health Care:

As you are aware, Summer Fun is designed as a day camp for children with special needs and varying abilities. As with behavioural situations, staff sometimes finds itself in a position where the medical needs of the child cross over the line from recreation to health care. When a child is in school and in need of more complex care such as feeding tubes, trachea tubes, catheters, colostomy bags etc., a staff person working with that child, in most cases, receives some specialized training and must be signed off by health care professionals, who ensure that staff has the capacity to care properly for a child's specialized need. At Summer Fun, we do not have this kind of service from the Health Board, and DLSS is not prepared to require staff to have to deal with these delicate issues without proper certified training from a nurse or other health care professional. This does not mean, however, that if your child requires such help, they cannot attend Summer Fun. What this does mean is that you will be asked to provide your own worker to either;

1. Be hired by Summer Fun as an employee to look after your child at Summer Fun wages
2. Provide extra support staff at Summer Fun at your expense as some of these needs require 2 staff to attend to the child
3. Be hired by Summer Fun, but if they require a higher wage than is currently being paid by Summer Fun, then any extra top up in wage will be paid by you.

INITIALS: _____





Toileting:

We recognize that many of our children need help with toileting and changing etc., and this is an accepted and expected part of our everyday routine. We also understand that some of our children are in various stages of trying to become independent in their toileting routines. We understand that some parents are trying not to use diapers or Depends or Pull Ups, but it needs to be recognized that we are not in a classroom situation at Summer Fun much of the time. This means that you may be asked to pack along whatever diapering product you choose, so that your child can maintain dignity and respect in public places such as on transit or many of the destinations that we visit. We acknowledge that some parents feel that this may be a regression of a child's progress, but it is far worse that a child be embarrassed or humiliated in public when toileting accidents occur while they are among the general public. We always have our children use the washroom prior to leaving the sites, and prior to getting on the bus when returning from a field trip and anywhere in between when a child has the need to use a washroom.

We have also encountered a concern when it comes to bowel movements . We also accept and expect children to have bowel movements while at Summer Fun as B.M's do not always come on command in the privacy of our own home . However, we have encountered instances where children have had 3 or 4 accidents during the course of a day which have required staff to shower and change the child each time. It often requires more than one staff to clean and change a child when this occurs, meaning that another child is losing the attention of their assigned staff for up to 2 hours per day (1/2 hour required for each showering and changing). That is one third of a child's day that he/she does not get to spend with his/her assigned buddy when staff must attend to a child with ongoing intestinal upsets. Should we encounter this concern, you will be notified and together we will try and come to a solution. We will want to know if this is common at home , how you handle it, is it diet related, is your child sick etc. If we cannot find the source of the intestinal upset and your child continues to require repeated showering and changing every day, we may ask that you find a person that you can send along as an extra hand at your own expense until the concern can be resolved. This runs parallel to our concerns with our policy on Daycamp versus Health Care.

INITIALS: _____





Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Availability:

Someone must be available at ALL times to pick up your child due to illness, injury or behaviour that endangers himself/herself or others. If you or your emergency contact listed on this form, for any reason, is not available, you will inform the staff team and provide an alternate emergency contact that will be available during that time. If you leave the city or country for vacation while your child is attending Summer Fun, there will be someone in your absence available during program operating days to attend to the needs of your child. You agree not to leave the city or country for vacation while your child is attending Summer Fun without the expressed written acknowledgment of DLS. Such acknowledgment will not be unreasonably withheld but will most certainly require a contact/caregiver to be available during program operating days.

INITIALS: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

