



Why Blind Camp?



What Is NCBC?

National Camps for Blind Children (NCBC) is a program of Christian Record Services, Inc. NCBC began in 1967 and has provided specialized camping opportunities to thousands of children and adults who are blind. NCBC partners with camps and retreat centers in the United States to help campers discover undeveloped potential, boost self-confidence, improve physical health, and develop an appreciation for God's love and care.

"Camp taught me values, perseverance, and most of all offered a lot of connection with God and those who have differences in life."

—Armando

Each camp is hosted at a well-equipped site, chosen for its standard of excellence, safety, and

geographical location. Committed staff and counselors are trained to meet campers' needs. Medical personnel are on duty 24 hours a day, and emergency care is available.

NCBC partner camps welcome applicants ages 9–65* whose corrected vision is no better than 20/200.

*Some camps accept younger or older campers.



Why NCBC?

- Partners with a national network of Christian camps and retreat centers to offer safe, confidence-building adventures in nature
- Nurtures social connections with peers and mentors
- Awards scholarships for camp-related expenses, paid to camps and provided by generous donors*

Yearly NCBC Schedule:

- **February:** Roster posted at BlindCamps.org.
- **March–May:** Registration opens at partner locations.
- **June–September:** NCBC sessions at locations around the United States.

**Following payment of a small application fee (amount may vary by location), each approved camper is welcome to enjoy one session per season on an NCBC scholarship; fees for personal care attendants, family members, and transportation are the camper's responsibility. All costs for attendance at additional camp sessions are the camper's responsibility, and approval is subject to partner camp availability.*



Camp Activities (vary by location):

- horseback riding
- swimming
- zipline
- beeper ball
- archery
- boating
- baking
- rock wall climbing
- basketball
- crafts
- gymnastics
- wakeboarding
- waterskiing
- ceramics
- go-karts
- banana boat rides
- nature hikes
- technology classes
- bowling
- sailing
- Bible studies
- talent show

Youth Camp Integrated Model (YCIM) Pilot Program:

NCBC launched the YCIM Pilot Program in 2021 out of the desire to allow younger campers* to experience an integrated camp program with sighted peers.

**Typically ages 7–18 but may vary by location.*

How does YCIM work?

Following parent/guardian and camp director consultation and approval, YCIM campers may attend independently or with similar age/same-gender sighted guide assistance on scholarship through NCBC. The parents or guardians of children or youth who are legally blind are invited to contact participating camps to receive more information, as space is limited.



NCBC is grateful for the many Seventh-day Adventist camp and retreat centers that partner to provide camp experiences for the young and young-at-heart.

Camp locations, session dates, and registration contacts are published annually in February at BlindCamps.org.

All **NCBC** partner locations are state-certified. Some are also accredited through the American Camp Association (ACA). ACA accreditation indicates an additional dimension of safety standards, including camp operation, program quality, and the health and safety of campers and staff.



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