

Title	Autism Youth Camp Buddy
Church/Ministry Mission	<i>Church:</i> Inspired by the love of Christ, and enabled by the Holy Spirit, we serve God through worship, education and fellowship that we may proclaim His grace and share His love in the world. <i>Special Needs Ministry:</i> To glorify God by making disciples of our special needs friends and their families through love, service and worship.
Purpose	To partner with one assigned student so that they might grow in Christ and in fellowship with others through the existing ministries of the church
Time Commitment	Once a week; for 8 weeks, 4 times a year Tuesday late afternoon: 3:30p-5:30p *(4 of these weeks are training, 4 of these weeks are with your buddy)
Character Needed	Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-control; creativity and flexibility
Responsibilities	<ul> <li>Meet family and check in your buddy for check-in / check-out</li> <li>Help buddy participate to their full potential in all activities</li> <li>Provide positive attitude and celebration for your assigned buddy</li> <li>Provide safety at all times and follow all church ministry guidelines at all times</li> <li>Maintain positive relationship with family</li> </ul>
Training Provided	<ul> <li>Buddy Orientation (4 weeks prior to camp)</li> <li>Ongoing updates on buddy needs and information</li> <li>Special needs awareness and etiquette training</li> <li>Regular debriefing and training with Special Needs Youth Ministry teams</li> </ul>
Reports To	Special Needs Ministry Coordinators
Works With	Buddy's family, and volunteers, students other buddy, Special Needs Ministry Coordinators
Notes	A background check is required for any volunteer position.

