Camp Burnt Gin

Camp Burnt Gin is a camp program for children who have physical disabilities and chronic illnesses. It's mission is to enhance the quality of life for children and youth with special health care needs by providing a camp experience designed to improve self-esteem, independence and the skills necessary to develop and maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Camp Burnt Gin is committed to creating a diverse, inclusive and equitable environment for all employees, volunteers and campers, whatever their gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation, identity and disability. At Camp Burnt Gin, we celebrate our differences and build a safe community where campers and staff can learn, grow and experience unconditional acceptance.

Camp Burnt Gin, a program of SC DHEC, is accredited by the American Camp Association™. Developed exclusively for the camping industry, this nationally-recognized organization focuses on program quality and health and safety issues.



Every aspect of Camp operation is reviewed regularly in order to maintain accreditation.



For More Info About Camp Burnt Gin

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Contributions are tax deductible.

Donations to support the activities and programs of Camp Burnt Gin may be made to Camp Burnt Gin and mailed to the address listed above.



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Staff

Staff, in a ratio of one counselor for every three campers, supervise and lead the campers through the program. The staff adapt activities so all campers can participate and assist those campers who need help with personal care needs.

Certified lifeguards supervise swimming and boating.

Two registered nurses staff the infirmary and are available at all times.

Food service staff prepare balanced, nutritious meals planned by a dietitian. Staff work with parents to try to accommodate special dietary needs of campers.

Facilities

Camp Burnt Gin is located in Sumter County, near Wedgefield SC. The Dining Hall, Arts and Crafts building, Nature Hut and Infirmary overlook a scenic lake. The Rec Hall, located in the center of Camp, offers shelter on rainy days and is home to the Camp's Fine Arts program and Library.

Ten cabins with bathroom facilities house the campers and counselors. The swimming pool, with a ramp for easy entry, is a everyone's favorite place. Sidewalks throughout camp makes travel between activities easy for our campers and staff. The spacious grounds provide numerous places for outdoor adventures and the chance to connect with nature.



Campers

Camp Burnt Gin is for children, teens and young adults, ages 7-25, who have special healthcare needs.
Acceptance is determined on an individual basis. Many factors are considered including the camper's physical disability, personal and medical needs, and whether or not the child is able to participate in another camping program.

How to Apply

Camper and staff applications are available through our website. All campers must provide a physical exam and immunization record as part of their application. Staff applicants must provide references and pass a criminal background check.

Program

The days at camp are filled with a variety of activities. Swimming, nature activities, crafts, drama, dance, sports and games are offered and adapted so all campers can participate. Paddleboats, canoeing, and fishing make good use of our lake.

The evening program varies each night and includes a talent show, dance, scavenger hunt, campfire and awards ceremony.

CBG 'n Me

CBG 'n Me is Camp Burnt Gin's virtual program. Located on the camp website, CBG 'n Me includes videos, activity sheets and periodic live virtual events. Campers enjoy camp activities from their home and the live virtual events offer the opportunity for socialization and interaction with camp friends.