

Dear Parents and Campers,

2021 marks the 30th anniversary of the establishment of the Epilepsy Foundation Texas' camping programs. In those 30 years, we have strived to ensure that we maintain three well-established goals for our campers: **1**) Safety **2**) Fun **3**) Emotional Growth.

To meet the Number One Safety Goal, we rely on our three camp medical teams: a) Texas Children's Hospital Houston, b) Children's Medical Center Dallas, and c) Cook Children's Fort Worth. This year our medical teams have determined that camper safety cannot be guaranteed at our regular camps, Camp Spike 'N' Wave, Kamp Kaleidoscope, and Camp Neuron, and therefore we cannot host the camps this summer.

Instead of our regular in-person this summer, we will offer a virtual camp experience for our campers to meet some new friends while reconnecting with some of their former cabin mates and counselors.

In addition to our virtual camp program this summer, we are excited to share that we were allowed to explore other avenues for an in-person camp experience through a Family Camp Getaway at Camp For All, located in Burton, TX. The family camp will have two sessions, and each session will allow families to spend two days and two nights enjoying all the things the camp has to offer. We believe that having the opportunity to gather together for a few days in a family camp setting will provide families a chance to have a camp experience and meet others in setting in a safe and socially distant environment.

Camp dates and registration information for both the virtual camp and family camp will be available in the next few weeks

Remember, camp is more than a place, it is a community, and the connections and memories that are made will last a lifetime. We look forward to seeing your family this summer.

Regards,

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