

Camp Joint Adventures  
Lee's Summit, MO  
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### **About Camp Joint Adventures:**

Summer camp is one of the highest, positive-impact activities in which a child can participate. So much can happen in a week's time to improve that ever so fragile self-esteem that we all try to instill into our kids. Camp Joint Adventures is a 4-day, 3-night experience for boys and girls aged 7-15 living with juvenile arthritis and other rheumatic conditions. Campers are separated into gender neutral cabins for their age category. Camp staff and volunteers strive to provide campers with a camping experience that includes a campfire, archery, arts and crafts, theme nights, swimming, sports and other activities in an environment that takes into account the campers strengths and not the limitations of the campers disease. Getting to know others who live with the same limitations that they do campers build friendships that last a lifetime.

### **What do our past parents and campers think of Camp Joint Adventures?**

Todd and I want to thank you all so much! Lena had a great time. It's so obvious your staff and the docs really care about these kiddos. We want to especially thank you for acknowledging her birthday while she was there!  
-Nancy, Lena's (8) mom

"I just wanted to say thank you so much for putting on this camp and everything that everyone did! Josiah had such a wonderful time and was crushed when it was time to go home. He can't wait to go back!"  
-Lori, Josiah's (8) mom

Reagan had a blast and shared so many stories with us about camp. She is ready to come back next year and said she already has plans to become a camp counselor. Thank you for putting on this camp for the kids. I already see so much more confidence and pride in her. She now knows she is not the only one in this world fighting for a cure for arthritis.

-Kate (Reagan's Mom) from 2015

Makayla LOVED attending Camp Joint Adventures from June 8-11. Her favorite activity was the arts and crafts gazebo, and she loved bonding with her counselors. Makayla is a shy young lady, and being away from her mother gave her a tremendous amount of confidence and self-esteem. She participated in many activities she had never done before - hula dancing, for example, and holding live snakes!

-Tiffany Pierce (Makayla's Mom) 2015

"I just wanted to thank you again for the arthritis camp experience. Jillian had such an amazing time and it was great for her to meet other kids that had to take medicine and that have similar experiences to her.

- Kimberly Reid (Jillian's mom) 2015

**FAQ for potential campers and parents:**

How do I get ahold of my child while he/she is at camp?

Personal cell phones are not allowed at Camp Joint Adventures 2014. This week is designed for kids to really enjoy what the outdoors and fun activities have to offer for a week of fun filled memory making. Cell phones will be turned in to camp staff on the first day of camp and returned on the morning of the last day. Campers who wish to exchange contact information with each other will be permitted to do so on the last day of camp. In case of emergency, parents are encouraged to call/text the camp director 24/7. A phone number for the camp will also be distributed to parents in the event that campers need to be reached.

How much are campers supervised by counselors and staff?

Campers are supervised 24 hours/day by counselors made up of volunteers that apply for counselor positions and undergo a background and screening process as well as an interview to match camper needs and personalities. Additionally, Arthritis Foundation staff and medical professionals serve onsite for the duration of camp.

What is the cost to attend Camp Joint Adventures?

There is a \$100 participation cost for each registrant. Scholarships are available. For more information about scholarships, please complete the application, [linked here](#). No child will be turned away due to an inability to pay.