

The  
Camp  
Group



# ECC Camp Newsletter

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## CANOEING

On Tuesday, we took a trip to Trapper John's Canoe Livery to embark on a fun adventure through a 6 mile river paddle. Shane said, "The experience was uncomfortable at first, but eventually I got the hang of it. Maddie said, "About halfway through, I got pretty tired." After finishing the 6 mile long trek, we took a break and went to Battelle Darby Creek Metro Park to have a much needed lunch. When we finished, we started to head home, and upon arrival, we were dismissed to the dorms for residential activities. Myah said, "I went canoeing and I got soaked. It was very fun!"



### Big Adventure!!



Kurtacee- "it was my first time canoeing, I expected to not enjoy it but it was actually very fun. It started to get very exhausting after a while because we had to canoe 6 miles!"

### Dear ECC Families:

Camp participants have documented the week at ECC camp to share with you their amazing experiences!

#### Field Trips:

##### Fresh Thyme Market

On Wednesday, we took a field trip to the Fresh Thyme Farmer's Market, which is a grocery store that has mostly organic and natural products. This experience may sound bland and boring, it may just sound like just another ordinary shopping session... NO! It was more than that," wrote Ely.

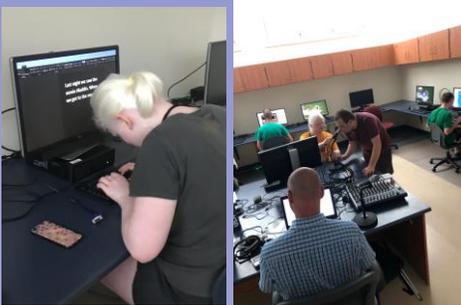
Jake exclaimed, "There are no 2 liters of soda in here!" Each student was given a shopping list that they had to go and find. Jason said, "I used to work at a grocery store, so I already had a lot of experience shopping." Mercedes, "I found the peppers, we got to feel them to see if they were good or not. You do not want the squishy peppers! That's how you know that they are bad!"

After every student had gotten their list, we checked out and we put our bags into the vans and headed back to OSSB, where we put the groceries away. After all that hard work, we took off again to go to Bob Evans for an early lunch. My'Keyia said, "I ordered a sandwich." After a good lunch, we headed back to OSSB and we had a 2<sup>nd</sup> session of activities. Our groups split up and started to prepare for our End of Camp Cookout.



## TECHNOLOGY

IN TECH WE USED OUR SKILLS WRITING, EDITING, TAKING PICTURES AND CREATING THIS NEWSLETTER. WE ALSO MADE A PODCAST OF OUR ADVENTURES TO SHARE WITH YOU.



## SOCIAL SKILLS

SHAVE WROTE, "I think that social skills are very beneficial because you can learn newer, and healthier coping skills. I also think it is important especially for visually impaired people to come together and try to talk about their challenges, and overcome them together."

## IN ILS . . .

... "it was a great opportunity to explore independence and improve daily living skills. I think ils is a positive experience because for people who do not attend school at OSSB and are not used to being independent, it pushes you to be independent; we used a mechanical can opener, mixing, and making hamburger patties. On the first day in ILS we worked together to make mexican pizzas. Kurtacee stated, "we made food for our cook out on Friday and I made the fruit salad and cut the watermelon. I liked ILS because we got to learn new things and I liked being around the people that I care a lot about. I also learned that it is okay to work with someone that you don't click with." Robert said, "I made deviled eggs and peeled corn. I believe I did good."



## Recreational/Residential Activities

"We went hiking at Blendon woods. I liked that a lot as well. We also had an ice cream social. I had vanilla ice cream. It was sure yummy"- Adam. "There was a see saw, then we saw a stump set up to play tic tack toe, and then there was tetherball," Sam.

We saw the movie Aladdin. Once the movie started, I thought it was going to be bad but the longer it went on, the more I enjoyed it. By the end, I was happy by the way, it turned out. Overall, I think it was a fun experience.



## Camp Wrap-up

"This week has honestly been really fun. For the first day I was kind of scared but by the end of the second day, I was perfectly fine. The things we did were challenging as well as fun. I really enjoyed this camp," Maddie.

Robert, "Camp is so much fun."

Jason, "Overall it was a well organized camp and I really enjoyed it."

Gabe, "On a scale of 1-5 I give it a 4. Everyone here was great. The canoeing was awesome!"

Jake, "Camp was a lot of fun."

Myah, "It was cool."

Garrett, "It was delicious."