



**PATTISON'S**  
ACADEMY

**THERAPEUTIC SUMMER CAMP**



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**An enriching and memorable summer experience,  
like every child deserves!**

A hands on, exhilarating experience making memories of a lifetime. Through community based instruction field-trips, games, activities and more, campers build on their life skills and social development.



**PHYSICAL  
ACTIVITY**



**COMMUNITY-BASED  
INSTRUCTION**



**SOCIAL  
DEVELOPMENT**



**CULTURAL  
ENRICHMENT**



# IS CAMP FOR ME?

Our unique model combines three programs into one, so Pattison's has a home for nearly anyone on the disability continuum.

## Camp Program

AGES **3-21**

Our flagship program providing an equitable summer experience for all.

## Buddy Program

AGES **8-13**

A small group experience to promote independence and build on social skills.

## Junior Counselors

AGES **19-24**

Our post-secondary program with a focus on local collaboration, building independence and job skills.

Pattison's foundational program, Therapeutic Summer Camp, has served individuals with disabilities in the tri-county area for 17 years. For **four weeks** through the summer individuals with disabilities are invited to participate in a program that, unlike other camps, **isn't adapted to them - it's made for them.**

Keeping each individual's unique needs in mind, Pattison's three camp programs run simultaneously and collaboratively to help each camper....

- Build self-esteem
- Learn new skills
- Work toward their therapy goals
- Create lasting friendships
- Experience their community
- Gain confidence
- Increase Independence
- **HAVE FUN!**



# JOIN US FOR CAMP

DATES

Application

Go-Live

February 5th,  
2024

Applications

Due

March 22nd,  
2024

Camp

July 1st - 26th,  
2024

WHAT TO EXPECT

Because we aim to provide a custom experience for every participant, there are limited spots available. Don't be discouraged! Mark your calendars for **FEBRUARY 5TH** and head to our social media accounts, or website to secure your child's slot. Following the application window, you will be contacted by a member of our camp team to set up a therapy evaluation to determine your child's placement. Evaluations will take place from **APRIL 1ST-5TH, 2024**.

Curious about tuition? At Pattison's, the wellbeing of your entire family is a priority. We understand the full financial cost of camp is not always feasible but we believe that should never stand in the way of this experience for your child. Summer camp tuition is based on a **case-by-case sliding scale**, so no need to worry.

## Meet our Camp Director, *Becky McCarthy*

Becky McCarthy, a Special Education graduate from The College of Charleston, began her career as a teacher for middle school children with autism, fostering a passion for disability advocacy. She played a key role in making her school a Unified Champion School with the South Carolina Special Olympics, implementing programs and events. Becky later joined Pattison's Academy, becoming the Summer Camp Director in 2018, ensuring a fulfilling experience for campers with disabilities. Originally from Athens, NY, she moved to Charleston in 2008 and relocated to Southern California in 2020. Outside work, Becky enjoys golf, Padres baseball games, and family time in the sunshine.





# THERAPEUTIC SUMMER CAMP

STAFF - CAMPER

**1-4** RATIO

CAMPER  
MENTAL  
HEALTH  
AND  
QUALITY  
OF LIFE

IMPROVED

COMPLETES

**573**

THERAPY  
HOURS



PROMOTES  
INDEPENDENCE



**120**  
MEDICAL SERVICE  
HOURS

EST. **2005**

## THE PATTISON'S PROMISE

At Pattison's Academy Therapeutic Summer Camp, our aim is to provide an immersive and enjoyable summer experience, like every child deserves, ensuring they grow, connect with friends, and explore new activities. We prioritize creating a worry-free environment for campers and families, assuring that each campers physical, medical, and emotional needs are collaboratively addressed each day.



# PATTISON'S ACADEMY

Discovering abilities. Sharing joy.

## WHO WE ARE

Pattison's Academy is a Charleston nonprofit with four hallmark programs serving individuals with developmental delays and disabilities.

From birth through adulthood, Pattison's interdisciplinary cooperative offers the resources and functional support services that protect every child's right to reach their full potential while also empowering their families.

Each innovative program—Early Intervention, Therapy Services, Summer Camp, and a Charter School, is customized to offer individuals with varying disabilities a safe, nurturing environment to learn, develop, and integrate. Using a holistic approach that consolidates educational, social, therapeutic, and medical services, Pattison's empowers both child and caregiver.

Serving nearly 200 highly diverse children and young adults this year, we firmly believe each person has not only the right, but the ability to reach their full potential regardless of the obstacles they may face. It's with our custom, integrative model which centers programs around the unique needs of each child that our population has the opportunity to learn and grow unlike ever before.

