



Adult Responsibilities for 1:1 Aides

In order to run a successful, cohesive program, we rely on the support of a **qualified aide provided by the parent**. With the outstanding cooperation of everyone as a collaborative team, we are able to offer your child the opportunity for success in a positive learning environment. We request you provide this information to the aide prior to arriving at Safety Town.

When you are at Safety Town as a 1:1 aide to your student, please view your role as an aide and assistant to the teen counselor for the program as well. We rely on you to:

Behavioral Support:

- Implement behavioral strategies outlined in the child's Individualized Education Program (IEP) or behavior plan to better assist with group participation.
- Provide positive reinforcement and redirection as needed.

Communication:

- Facilitate effective communication between the child and other campers, directors, and volunteers.
- Advocate for the child's needs and preferences.

Inclusion:

- Promote the inclusion of the child in all camp activities, encouraging participation and socialization with other campers.
- Collaborate with camp directors to adapt activities to meet the child's needs and abilities.
- Monitor the child's interactions with peers to prevent any potential issues.

Assistance with Learning and Participation:

- Support the child's engagement in educational and recreational activities.
- Provide assistance with academic or skill-building tasks as needed.
- Work closely with camps' teen counselors, program directors, and other staff members to ensure a cohesive and supportive camp environment.

Follow the Dress Code:

- Wear provided blue vest and name badge daily.
- Wear closed toe shoes with laces tied. No tummies or undergarments showing. No low cut shirts, spaghetti straps, muscle shirts (tanks okay for girls only). No short shorts or skirts.

It's important for the 1:1 aide to have a good understanding of the child's individual needs, preferences, and any specific challenges they may face. Open communication with the camp staff and parents is essential for a successful and inclusive summer camp experience for the special needs child.

Please contact our Safety Town Program Coordinator Anne Gould, Anne@sbsafetytown.org, for any questions or if you feel we need additional information prior to our first day at Safety Town.

The Safety Town Directors