



LISTEN CI CAMP

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Re: Registration Information

Dear Camp Community,

I cannot wait to welcome you to Listen CI Camp 2024! **Registration and volunteer applications for the 2024 camp season open to all on Friday, January 26, 2024, at 12:30pm Mountain Time.** (Many thanks to those who participated in the Timing of Registration poll!)

Registration is first come, first served. We will continue to host Listen CI Camp at the 15% increased capacity of 2023 and adjust the age break between sessions to allow for equal demand between the two programs.

General Information

- Complete camp information is available at www.ListenFoundation.org under the "CI Camp" tab.
- Camp sessions and the age break will be as follows:
 - June 27-30, 2024: CI Children entering 5th Grade - 2024 High School Graduates.
 - July 25-28, 2024: CI Children age 3 - entering 4th Grade.
 - The age break allows us to maximize same age friend matches for the kids, while also complying with the YMCA group size restrictions and age limits for activities. Please register for the correct session to avoid removal.
- **Registration opens to all families, first come, first served, beginning Friday, January 26, at 12:30pm (MST).** Historically, registration fills very quickly!
- **Regardless of circumstance, refunds are not available unless the Listen Foundation is able to fill your spot with another family.** If a replacement is found, the registration fee will be refunded, less a \$25 administrative fee. **As such, all families are strongly encouraged to purchase travel insurance.**
- With a 38% increase in the cost to produce camp over the past two years and no increase in the registration fee since 2022, we must increase the family portion of the registration fee from 35% to 40%. **The Listen Foundation will continue to fundraise the remaining 60% of the actual cost for every family who attends camp. Please see below for ways you can help!** The family portion of the registration fee for 2024 is:
 - Family of 2: \$800
 - Family of 3: \$900
 - Family of 4: \$1,000
 - Family of 5: \$1,100

Please Help Sustain Listen CI Camp

- Direct Donation
 - During registration you will be offered the opportunity to make a donation to camp. You are asked to pay only 40% of the actual cost for your family to attend camp. If you are able, please add a charitable donation to cover more of your family's expenses. And if you are in a position to help, please consider increasing your donation to assist a family who cannot afford camp.
- Peer-to-Peer Fundraising
 - We know that each of you have tremendous communities, which would love to support your family and kiddos in this unique camp experience!

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- Through our new peer-to-peer fundraising platform you can now help Listen Foundation expand our fundraising efforts to support the 60% of camp costs that are not paid by families. Please join the Listen CI Camp fundraising team by creating your own personal page within the platform. Creating your own page is easy with these five simple steps:
 1. Go to our [Team Fundraising Page](#), select **Join This Team**, and follow the prompts to set up your page.
 2. Personalize your page so your community knows why camp is important to you (you can add pictures, a summary, or your story).
 3. Give your community a goal to reach, like \$1000, \$1500, \$2000, or \$3000.
 4. Select **"Publish"** along the top banner.
 5. Once approved, you'll get an email. Then **share** a link to your page with everyone in your community! An email template is attached and ready for you to use. Be sure to post the link to your social media sites too!
- By joining this team, you will help raise the remaining funds that support the attendance of your family and others while increasing awareness of cochlear implant recipients and making a tremendous impact on the lives of so many children and families.
- Every gift makes a difference, regardless of size, and all donations are tax deductible. Please join us today in sustaining Listen CI Camp!

Preparing for Registration

- The Listen Foundation has recently undergone a safety evaluation in collaboration with the YMCA. To ensure the safety and best experience for all campers, some of our policies have changed. During registration, you will be asked to acknowledge that all family members understand and agree to abide by the Liability Waiver, Policies, and Procedures. Reviewing this document (attached) with all family members prior to registration will speed up your registration process.
- All families are encouraged to update their camp account before registration opens.
- Please always clear your browsing history prior to accessing UltraCamp.
- Access UltraCamp via the "camp accounts" link at <https://www.listenfoundation.org/camp-accounts-link/>. If you have forgotten your username or password, please select "Forgot your login information?" rather than creating a new account. Please save your login information.
- Once on your "My Account" page, select each family member who will attend camp and update information for each person by selecting "Edit My Bio Information". Be sure to select "Save" at the bottom of each individual family member's page.
- To add family members who are not listed on the "My Account" page, select the "Add Person" button and complete all information for each family member you wish to add.
- Confirm that all family members who will attend camp are now listed on the "My Account" page and that all questions have been answered correctly for every family member. This will greatly speed your registration process.
- You are now ready to register on January 26 at 12:30pm Mountain Time. **Please note, registration is password protected and not accessible until registration opens.**

Registration

- Again, please always clear your browsing history prior to accessing UltraCamp.
- To register, please access UltraCamp via the links at the bottom of the Registration page: <https://www.listenfoundation.org/cicamp/>. Be sure to select the correct session based on the age of your CI child(ren) to avoid registration removal.
- **Registration is password protected and not accessible until January 26 at 12:30pm Mountain Time.**

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- On the “Select Attendees” page, be sure to select EVERY family member who will attend camp. **All family members attending camp must be registered, regardless of age.** Registration is limited to 5 family members (CI child(ren), parents, and siblings up to 18 years of age) and one room per family.
- You will then be prompted to confirm attendee information and respond to a few family questions. The Listen Foundation and YMCA Liability Waiver, Policies, and Procedures pages follow.
- On the “Emergency Contact” page, please add someone who is NOT attending camp with you.
- The “Options” page allows you to select stable activities. Stable activities are limited to one per family member. These are entirely optional activities which may be added in place of Listen CI Camp sponsored programming. Jackson Stables is not affiliated with the Listen Foundation nor Listen CI Camp.
- When you reach the “**Payment Options**” page, you may choose between paying your full balance or choosing the payment plan through which you pay 50% of your portion now with the remaining 50% billed to the credit card on March 1. **Please be sure to select “Submit Payment” to ensure completion of your registration.**
- Should camp fill before you have an opportunity to register, please proceed with the registration process to be added to the waitlist. **We pull from the waitlist to fill cancellations every year!**

Volunteering

- Without the support of passionate volunteers, camp would not be possible. We are excited that you are interested in joining us to make a difference in the lives of CI families!
- Complete volunteer information is available at: <https://www.listenfoundation.org/camp-volunteers/>. Please use the link at the bottom of the page to apply. Please note, the application is password protected and not accessible until Friday, January 26, 2024, at 12:30pm Mountain Time.
- Volunteers must be at least 18 years of age and have one year post high school experience in college or work.
- Camp alumni (CI recipients AND siblings), students pursuing hearing health related programs, and professionals in the industry are given priority.
- Volunteers may apply for one or both camp sessions.
- I’d love to chat with you about the volunteer experience, please reach out if you have any questions!

Please note the new email address below and reach out if you have any questions. I look forward to welcoming you for a magical 2024 Listen CI Camp season!



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[Peer-to-Peer Fundraising Template - Feel Free to Personalize for Your Community]

Subject: Join me in supporting Listen CI Camp!

Hi [Name],

I hope this email finds you well. I'm writing to you today to ask you to join me in supporting a cause that is very close to my heart: Listen CI Camp.

Listen CI Camp is a four-day, three-night camp for children ages 3-18 who use bilateral, bimodal, or unilateral cochlear implants, along with their parents and siblings. The camp offers a wide range of activities, such as parent education and children's YMCA programming, while providing an opportunity for families to connect with each other, share their stories and experiences, and build a community that lasts a lifetime.

Listen CI Camp is a program of the Listen Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides listening and spoken language therapy and other services to children with hearing loss and their families. The Listen Foundation fundraises to cover 60% of the cost for each family to attend camp, in an effort to make it affordable for all.

As you may know, my [relationship] [CI child's name] is a cochlear implant recipient. This camp provides education, mentorship, and a lifelong community for families just like ours. It is a life changing experience! That's why I decided to create a fundraising team page to help my family and others benefit from this amazing camp.

I'm inviting you to join this campaign. Here's how to help!

1. Learn more about camp and the fundraiser at this [Team Fundraising Page](#)
2. DONATE - Go to our page [\[insert hyperlink to your page\]](#) and Click DONATE!

By donating to our team, you will help raise the remaining funds to support our family's attendance while increasing awareness of cochlear implant recipients and making a tremendous impact on the lives of so many children and families.

Every gift makes a difference, regardless of size, and all donations are tax deductible. Please join me in supporting this wonderful program!

Sincerely,

[Your name]

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2024 Listen CI Camp Family Liability Waiver, Policies, and Procedures

Initialing of each line below is required for camp registration. This Liability Waiver, Policies, and Procedures apply to all campers and family members attending Listen CI Camp (“Participants”) at the YMCA of the Rockies (the “Premises”). Please initial each line below on behalf of all Participants to evidence your understanding and agreement to the following:

_____ 1. All Participants indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless, and further agree to waive and release all claims against, Listen Foundation, Inc., a Colorado nonprofit corporation, its officers, directors, agents, volunteers, affiliates, and employees from and against any and all claims, demands, costs, expenses, damages (including attorneys’ fees), arising out of any personal injury, illness, harm (including death), and/or property damage suffered by Participants related in any manner to participation in Listen CI Camp, including without limitation, the condition of the Premises, the conduct or supervision of any person in connection with Listen CI Camp or the Premises, and participation in any activity, whether planned or unplanned. All Participants are voluntarily participating in Listen CI Camp and each activity entirely at Participants’ own risk. Participants waive all rights to subrogation.

_____ 2. All Participants are subject to, and agree to abide by, the rules and regulations implemented by Listen Foundation and YMCA of the Rockies which is the host vendor.

_____ 3. In the interest of providing a safe and enjoyable experience for all Participants, Listen Foundation reserves the right to dismiss any family from Listen CI camp, at any time, at the sole discretion of the Listen CI Camp Director. Upon dismissal the entire family is required to leave the Premises immediately. Refunds are not available.

_____ 4. Participants may be exposed to or infected by an infectious or communicable disease as a result of participation in Listen CI Camp and such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, or death.

_____ 5. The following Health Protocols have been established by the Listen Foundation Medical Advisors:

- If any member of a Participants' household is ill prior to camp, your entire family must cancel your registration
- If any member of a Participants' family becomes ill during camp, your entire family must immediately notify the Listen CI Camp Director and leave the Premises

_____ 6. Listen Foundation does not provide the food, lodging, cleaning, supervision of children, or adventure activities at the Premises. Parents are responsible for the supervision, safety, and behavior of their children which includes one parent directly supervising his/her child(ren) under the age of 5 at all times as well as his/her child(ren) age 5 and above when not signed out to Listen CI Camp volunteers. Additionally, each family is required to have at least one parent at the Premises at all times.

_____ 7. Disrespect toward other people, property, policies, programs, facilities, Listen Foundation, or YMCA of the Rockies will be addressed by the Listen CI Camp Director and may result in family dismissal.

_____ 8. Participants harming or expressing ideas related to harming themselves or others will result in immediate family dismissal.

_____ 9. Firearms, illicit drugs, marijuana, CBD and THC products, controlled substances, drones, pets, and approaching wildlife are strictly prohibited. Smoking and vaping are permitted only in designated outdoor smoking areas containing fire-safe ashtrays. Violation will result in family dismissal.

_____ 10. As a family program, Listen CI Camp has a strict no alcohol policy. Participants, family members, or campers displaying signs of inebriation or exhibiting disruptive or unsafe behavior will result in family dismissal.

_____ 11. All travel related refund policies are not the responsibility of Listen CI Camp or Listen Foundation and any penalties for cancellation are Participant's sole responsibility

_____ 12. **Regardless of circumstance, refunds are not available unless Listen Foundation is able to fill the Participants' spot with another family. If a replacement family is found, the registration fee will be refunded, less a \$25 administrative fee.**

_____ 13. **All Participants are strongly encouraged to purchase travel insurance.**

_____ 14. Photographs, video, and motion pictures may be taken of all Participants and family members while in attendance at the camp. Such photographs, videos, and motion pictures, containing voice, image, likeness, and name may be published in newspapers, magazines, television, print ads, or other media (including social media) at the sole discretion of Listen Foundation.

_____ 15. Listen Foundation will release Participant directory information to camp families and volunteers.

_____ 16. I attest that all adult members of my family participating in Listen CI Camp have carefully read this document and fully understand it includes a release of liability. I further certify that I am the parent or guardian of all minor members of my family participating in Listen CI Camp and agree that they are also subject to all terms of this document as set forth above and give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of them and the other adult members of my family. By signing this document, I accept and assume responsibility for each of my family members attending Listen CI Camp and unconditionally agree to any and all such risks and the releases contained herein.