Group and Transition Services (All Ages)

SPRING AND SUMMER PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

Disclaimer:
Some of the sessions are only offered to participants who meet certain criteria. For detailed criteria information, please check the online registration form.

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Camps

Social Skills Camp
The goal of the Social Skills Summer Day Camp at Geneva Centre for Autism is to provide each camper with an opportunity to learn and practice social skills in a fun, supportive and encouraging camp atmosphere. Trained facilitators provide a supportive and fun summer camp experience that aims at strengthening social skills required for the transition to less supported community programs and day camps. Facilitators are trained to support campers with the generalization of targeted social skills in recreational, leisure, and group activities in a 1:3 ratio. Campers are motivated to interact and learn through typical camp activities, such as playing games, learning new interactive songs, and making crafts. Social skills, including group participation, social interaction, and social communication are targeted and practiced within each activity.

Ratio 1:3: $650 per week

Zone Adventure Camp
Enjoy the sights and sounds around the GTA this summer with the Zone Adventure Day Camp. While attending camp, campers will participate in traditional, exciting and fun camp activities. Trained Geneva Centre for Autism staff will structure activities and outings to meet the needs of children with ASD, however, children without ASD are welcome to attend as well! Campers will participate in daily outings to community settings such as Centre Island, Toronto Beaches, the Toronto Zoo, and many more! Campers will be encouraged to build friendships, set goals, and challenge themselves.

Ratio 1:3: $650 per week
Ratio 1:1: $1,150 per week

Social Skills

Let’s Play!
This play based skill building group provides children with an opportunity to learn core social skills for successful play with peers in a small group setting. Specific play skills may include: Learning to wait, cooperation, imitation, sharing, and parallel and reciprocal play.

Ratio: 1:3: $650

Recreational/Respite

Trips Ahoy:
Participants will engage in a variety of activities including sports, crafts, community outings, creative arts and drama. Trained Geneva Centre for Autism staff will structure activities and outings to meet the needs of the children in the group. At Trips Ahoy, every day is an adventure!

Ratio 1:2: $350

Shake, Rattle and Roll:
Participants will get the opportunity to explore their creative side with activities such as dance, yoga, drama and playing instruments. This session concludes with a talent show where children can show off their newly learned skills!

Ratio: 1:1: $350
The Weekenders

While attending The Weekenders, children will have the opportunity to develop recreational and leisure skills, and build new friendships. Children will have the opportunity to rehearse these skills in a variety of community settings including trips to the pool, local parks and other local age appropriate attractions.

Ratio 1:1: $840  
Ratio 1:2: $520

After School Care – TPAS

We are now offering extended after care hours for children attending TPAS! Participants will engage in a variety of activities including sports, crafts, creative arts and drama. Trained Geneva Centre for Autism staff will plan exciting and structured activities to meet the needs of all of the kids in the group!

Ratio 1:1 - Cost changes per month

Rec’In Crew

Participants will engage in a variety of activities including, sports, crafts, outings, creative arts and drama. Participants will be placed in a group with their similar peers. Group activities will provide the children with opportunities to meet their individualized gross motor, fine motor and sensory needs while encouraging communication, socialization and discovery.

Bundle packages
Ratio 1:1: 1 day: $140  
Ratio 1:1: 3 days: $360  
Ratio 1:1: 5 days: $500
Ages: 6-12

Camps

Bridges Summer Camp
A two week funded camp that promises to be a fun time for all! Staff will provide campers with the opportunity to develop camp-readiness skills, follow typical camp routines and activities, build their skills and experience community outings.

Facilitated by trained Geneva Centre for Autism staff, Bridges Summer Day Camp provides campers with a recreational environment where fun and learning come together in a day of structured activities. Camp activities provide the children with opportunities to meet their individualized gross motor, fine motor and sensory needs while encouraging communication, socialization and discovery. An emphasis is placed on inclusion and community integration, and campers are encouraged to participate in community outings that are based on their individual interests, skills, and abilities with the support of a 1:1 ratio. Through partnerships with East Metro Youth Services and Variety Village, Geneva Centre for Autism staff will accompany and integrate some campers into these camp settings as well.

Ratio 1:1 (funded): $350 for 2 weeks

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Ratio 1:3: $650 per week

Zone Adventure Camp
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Ratio 1:1: $1,150 per week
Ratio 2:1: $1900 per week
Social Skills

Unstuck & On Target:
The “Unstuck & On Target” program is an executive function group to help improve flexibility for children with high functioning autism. Specifically, the group will work to help children effectively and calmly manage unexpected events, cope with disappointment and frustration, keep an open mind, navigate disagreements with friends and compromise, and learn to set and achieve goals. Children will then have the opportunity to discuss situations at school or home when they used the strategies, or faced a challenge but had difficulty using the strategy.

Ratio 1:3: $550

Learning with Lego:
In this Lego themed skill building group, participants will gain the opportunity to develop their skills through the construction and completion of various Lego structures. Some of the skills that will be targeted throughout this group will be turn-taking, making eye-contact, asking someone to play, joining others in play and following social rules. Participants will work in their peer groups to build Lego sets together while also exploring their ability to build collaborative freestyle structures.

Ratio 1:3: $550

Secret Agent Society:
This program is designed to improve the emotional regulation and social skills of children with High-Functioning Autism using high-tech computer games and Secret Agent related equipment. Group sessions consist of a variety of therapeutic games and activities, training children to be Secret Agent “Cadets,” who are able to detect emotions, decode sticky social situations, and rely on Secret Agent Codes to enhance their friendship skills. Parents remain onsite and attend a facilitator-led parent session, where they will review program content, and develop strategies to generalize the skills being taught through the program.

Ratio 1:3: $850

Let’s be Friends!
This friendship focused skill building group will provide children with Autism Spectrum Disorder an opportunity to learn and practice making and keeping friends in a small group of similar peers. Specific friendship skills explored may include: asking someone to play, joining others in play, compromising, taking turns, dealing with losing, and keeping calm.

Ratio 1:3: $550

Let’s Chat!
This advanced friendship focused skill building group will provide pre-teens with Autism Spectrum Disorder with the opportunity to practice conversation skills that will help them to build and maintain lasting friendships. Specific friendships skills explored may include starting and maintaining a conversation, staying on topic, talking briefing, avoiding sensitive topics, giving personal space, and managing conflict.

Ratio 1:3: $550

Recreational/Respite

Sports of all Sorts:
Participants will be introduced to a variety of sports and movement activities that are designed to encourage group co-operation, teamwork and build self-esteem in a fun, safe environment. The Sports of all Sorts group offer a combination of sport skill instruction, and recreational game play.

Ratio 1:2: $350

Trips Ahoy:
Participants will engage in a variety of activities including sports, crafts, community outings, creative arts and drama. Trained Geneva Centre for Autism staff will structure activities and outings to meet the needs of the children in the group. At Trips Ahoy, every day is an adventure!

Ratio 1:2: $350
The Weekenders:
While attending The Weekenders, children will have the opportunity to develop recreational and leisure skills, and build new friendships. Children will have the opportunity to rehearse these skills in a variety of community settings including trips to the pool, local parks and other local age appropriate attractions.

Ratio 1:1: $840
Ratio 1:2: $520

Wii League of Friends:
This group provides participants with the opportunity to engage in motion-control, interactive gaming with peers who share similar interests. The Wii League of Friends will practice turn taking, co-operation and good sportsmanship skills.

Ratio 1:3: $400

Trailblazers:
This group will begin to navigate the local community on foot in this exciting new adventure program. The participants will learn how to use a Google maps to plan a trip with the group to a local attraction and explore the local parks and trails. Participants will learn to work together as a group to reach a common goal. Let’s hit the streets!

Ratio 1:3: $400

Rec’In Crew
Participants will engage in a variety of activities including, sports, crafts, outings, creative arts and drama. Participants will be placed in a group with their similar peers. Group activities will provide the children with opportunities to meet their individualized gross motor, fine motor and sensory needs while encouraging communication, socialization and discovery.

Bundle packages
Ratio 1:1: 1 day: $140
Ratio 1:1: 3 days: $360
Ratio 1:1: 5 days: $500
Camps

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2:1 support

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Ratio 2:1 (funded): $350 for 2 weeks

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Ratio 1:3: $650 per week
Ratio 1:1: $1,150 per week
Ratio 2:1: $1900 per week

Community Connections

The goal of Community Connections at Geneva Centre for Autism is to provide each individual with an opportunity to learn and practice life skills in a fun, supportive and encouraging summer day camp atmosphere.

This group will provide teenagers with Autism Spectrum Disorder an opportunity to learn, reinforce, and practice life skills related to the out-of-home environment. The focus of this skills group will be on topics such as public transit skills, money & time management, nutrition/healthy eating habits, and independent living skills. Individuals will travel on different types of transit systems, explore the city and generalize the skills taught in the group.

Ratio 1:3: $650 per week

Social Skills

P.E.E.R.S.

Program for the Education and Enrichment of Relational Skills (PEERS®) is a 14-week evidence-based social skills intervention for motivated teens in middle school or high school who are interested in learning ways to help them make and keep friends. During each group session, teens are taught important social skills and are given the opportunity to practice these skills in session (e.g. playing sports, board games, etc.). Parents are taught how to assist their teens in making and keeping friends by providing feedback through coaching during weekly socialization homework assignments.

Ratio 1:3: $700
Coping with Stress
This group will provide teenagers with Autism Spectrum Disorder an opportunity to learn about managing their stress levels in different environments. The focus of this group will be on topics such as developing self-awareness in regards to emotions, identifying triggers for anxiety and anger, and developing a ‘toolbox of skills and techniques’ to help with anger and anxiety management.

Ratio 1:3: $550

Recreational/Respite
Sports of all Sorts:
Participants will be introduced to a variety of sports and movement activities that are designed to encourage group co-operation, teamwork and build self-esteem in a fun, safe environment. The Sports of all Sorts group offer a combination of sport skill instruction, and recreational game play.

Ratio 1:2: $350

Trips Ahoy:
Participants will engage in a variety of activities including sports, crafts, outings, creative arts and drama. Trained Geneva Centre for Autism staff will structure activities and outings to meet the needs of children on the autism spectrum. At Trips Ahoy, every day is an adventure!

Ratio 1:2: $350

Athletics Club
In this sports themed recreational group, participants will get the opportunity to try their hand at a variety of different active sports and games. The group will travel in the community to local pools, parks, skating rinks, and get the chance to attend a sporting event. This group will focus on teamwork skills, managing competition and leadership. Let’s play ball!

Ratio 1:3 $400

The Weekenders:
While attending The Weekenders, children and youth will have the opportunity to develop recreational and leisure skills, build new relationships and be part of an inclusive recreational community. Participants will have the opportunity to rehearse these skills in a variety of community settings including trips to the pool, local parks and other local age appropriate attractions.

Ratio 1:1: $840
Ratio 1:2: $520
Exploring the 6ix:

This exciting skill-building program will allow participants to work towards becoming more independent in the community through the use of TTC. Individuals participating in this group will learn how to travel by TTC to local attractions and restaurants. Participants will have many opportunities to develop independence and community safety skills while exploring the sights and sounds of this city.

Ratio 1:3 $400

VolunTeens:

The VolunTeens program will utilize the skills built in our LIT and VIT programs and will provide participants with the opportunity to practice their leadership and vocational skills in real-life settings outside of the agency. Within a group setting, participants will spend time learning about what it means to volunteer and be accountable, as well as about the roles and expectations in a volunteer setting. This program will include both lessons, as well as experiential components in the form of volunteer placements at different organizations in the community. Last semester participants volunteered in a movie theatre, gym, and animal shelter.

Ratio 1:3: $400

Venture Out!

Participants will have the opportunity to be engaged in interactive games, community events, cooking, sports, crafts, music and movement that encourage social skills, team work and personal choice. Each week the group will travel on new and exciting adventures in the local community!

Ratio 1:1: $350

Rec’In Crew

Participants will engage in a variety of activities including, sports, crafts, outings, creative arts and drama. Participants will be placed in a group with their similar peers. Group activities will provide the children with opportunities to meet their individualized gross motor, fine motor and sensory needs while encouraging communication, socialization and discovery.

Bundle packages

Ratio 1:1: 1 day: $140
Ratio 1:1: 3 days: $360
Ratio 1:1: 5 days: $500
Ages: 18+

Vocational/Life Skills

Let’s Eat

This skill-building group will provide participants with an opportunity to learn about nutrition and healthy eating habits, food storage and preparation, as well as kitchen safety. Through modelling, rehearsal, and activities, participants will learn to prepare menus, grocery lists, and will go to local grocery stores weekly to purchase items for the cooking activity.

Ratio 1:6: $450

Culinary Arts

This intensive full-time vocational training program will provide individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder with a blended training experience in a working Café (Stepping Stones Café), combined with classroom instruction.

Ratio 1:6: $3000

Administrative Pathway

This intensive half-day vocational training program will provide individuals with a blended training experience in an administrative role as well as combined with classroom instruction. The program will cover a variety of topics including computer skills, labour relations, workplace safety, time management, communications, resume building, and interviewing.

Ratio 1:6: $2000
Social Skills

Spring Social Club
In this member driven group, participants vote on weekly events both onsite and in the community. Events could include sport games, dinners, movies and exploring the sights and sounds of the city. Onsite participants are encouraged and supported in building friendships through board games, cooking and the facilitation of natural interactions.

Ratio 1:15: $200

Afternoon Social
In this member driven group, participants vote on weekly events both onsite and in the community. Events could include sport games, dinners, movies and exploring the sights and sounds of the city. Onsite participants are encouraged and supported in building friendships through board games, cooking and the facilitation of natural interactions.

Ratio 1:15: $250

Community Participation Support
Working with an ABA Developmental Service worker participants in the day support program will participate in activities such as personal development, basic life skills training, social and recreational activities, and other activities that lead to increased independence and community participation.

Ratio 1:1: $3360

Recreational/Respite

Evening Respite
This weekend program works towards developing recreational and social skills for individuals 18+, in a safe environment. Participants are engaged in theme based activities and community outings that encourage socialization, communication and life skills, designed to meet sensory, communication and motor needs.

Ratio 1:1: $1500

Weekend Respite
This weekend program works towards developing recreational and social skills for individuals 18+, in a safe environment. Participants are engaged in theme based activities and community outings that encourage socialization, communication and life skills, designed to meet sensory, communication and motor needs.

Ratio 1:1: $988

Recreational/Respite

Person Directed Planning
Working with a facilitator, the individual along with their family and circle of supports, assist in identifying life goals, the creation of a plan and the steps to successfully accomplish these goals. In this process the individual will identify their own strengths, define a vision for their lives, make personal choices and find ways to participate in the community. The facilitator will then help to implement these aspirations into the individual’s life.

Ratio 1:1: $2500
Camps

Camp Geneva
There’s nothing more exciting than a summer break filled with adventure. At Geneva Centre’s summer camp participants will engage in community events and theme based activities, games, music, cooking, sports, art, and more!
Ratio 1:3: $975

Summer Rec Camp
There’s nothing more exciting than a summer break filled with adventure. At Geneva Centre’s summer camp participants will engage in community events and theme based activities, games, music, cooking, sports, art, and more!
Ratio 1:1: $1300